

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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FISH PRODUCTION  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) Whether the Government has launched/proposes to launch schemes to promote fish production and create employment opportunities in the fishery sector in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has assessed the implementation and functioning of Central Schemes in fishery sector in various States including Kerala; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION  
(PROF. K.V.THOMAS)

(a) Yes, Madam,

(b) Four Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) on fisheries have been launched to promote fish production and to create employment opportunities in fishery sector and these schemes are being implemented through the Department of Fisheries of the concerned States and Union Territories. They are:

- (i) Development of Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture;
- (ii) Development of Marine Fisheries, Infrastructure and Post Harvest Operations;
- (iii) National Scheme of Welfare of Fishermen; and
- (iv) National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB).

(c) & (d) Yes, Madam. The status, implementation and functioning of the Central schemes in fishery sector are periodically assessed in review meetings and evaluations through external agencies.