GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AGRICULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2297 ANSWERED ON:21.07.2009 FISH FARMING IN HIMACHAL PRADESH Panda Shri Baijayant

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether fish farming has emerged as a major source of employment generation in Himachal Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government proposes to replicate the Himachal Pradesh model in other parts of the country by providing Central subsidy; 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) & (b) Fisheries is not a major economic a.ctivity in the state of Himachal Pradesh which has a meager production of about 7500 tonnes of fish per annum comprising primarily of reservoir and riverine fisheries and a marginal cont ribution from trout culture.

(c) & (d) Question does not arise.