

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AGRICULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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PROMOTION OF FISHERY  
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**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has received expert committee's report pertaining to deep- sea fishing policy;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the guidelines and regulations in the report;
- (c) whether the Government is considering to implement the report; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which the report is likely to be implemented?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR AGRICULTURE (DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

(a)&(b): Yes Madam. An Expert Committee was constituted on 1.8.2013 for Comprehensive Review of Deep Sea Fishing Policy and Guidelines. The committee has submitted its report to the Government on 5.8.2014. The Expert Committee has interalia recommended for sustainable exploitation of resources in deep sea, simplification of deep sea fishing guidelines to facilitate optimum utilization of resource potential, and improvements in monitoring control and surveillance in Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ).

(c) & (d) : After having stakeholder consultations on the Expert Committee report, the Government has issued revised set of guidelines for fishing operations in Indian EEZ on 12.11.2014 simplifying the procedures to facilitate smooth operations of deep sea fishing vessels in Indian EEZ.