

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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FUNDS FOR PISCICULTURE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount of funds sought by the State Government of Chhattisgarh for pisciculture, fishermen's welfare and research work related to fish respectively during the last three years and the current year along with the amount released under various programmes;
- (b) whether any scheme is being implemented in Chhattisgarh for the maintenance of ponds and to provide housing to fishermen ;
- (c) if so, the amount spent under the said scheme during the said period;
- (d) whether any subsidy is being provided by the Government to supply the pond fish of Chhattisgarh to the neighbouring States; and
- (e) if not, the measures being taken by the Government to make the said industry competitive?

Answer

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

(a) The amount of funds sought by State Government of Chhattisgarh and funds released by Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries for pisciculture under the schemes (i) Development of Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture.(ii) National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB), and (iii) National Scheme of Welfare of Fishermen, during last three years and current year is given at Annexure. This department have not released funds for research work during this period to the Government of Chhattisgarh.

(b)&(c) Yes Madam. The scheme is being implemented in State of Chhattisgarh for maintenance of ponds and to provide housing to fishermen and during above period the Government of Chhattisgarh spent Rs. 292.62 lakh for maintenance of ponds and Rs. 216.60 lakh to provide housing to fishermen.

(d)&(e) For purchase of vehicles for transportation and mobile marketing of fish to various places, subsidy is being provided under the schemes of this Department.