

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY  
(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1204**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 11<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY, 2019**

**ASSISTANCE FOR PRODUCTION AND EXPORT OF SEAFOOD**

1204. SHRI KUNDARIYA MOHAN BHAI KALYANJI BHAI:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री ) be pleased to state:

- whether the Government provides any financial assistance or infrastructural assistance to the exporters/State Governments to boost the production and export of seafood including fishes from the country.
- if so, the details of the funds released during each of the last three years and the current year;
- whether the Government has fixed any minimum support price or export price for sale and export of seafood products, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- whether certain countries have imposed restriction/ban on the import of prawns from India; and
- if so, the reaction of the Government thereto along with the steps taken/ being taken by the Government to ensure quality control and boost the production and export of seafood/prawns from the country?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सी. आर. चौधरी)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)

(a) Yes Madam.

(b)The details of financial assistance provided by MPEDA under various schemes during last three years are appended below:-

2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19 (April to December)
8465.48	4560.78	4977.24	2566.00

(Amount in Rs. Lakhs)

Further, Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (DAHD&F)has also provided financial support to States/UTs for holistic development of fisheries which includes enhancing production and productivity, creation of infrastructure, thrust to export and welfare of fishers/farmers. Details of the fund released by DAHD&F during

the financial year 2016-17 to 2018-19 (upto 31.01.2019) under Blue Revolution Scheme is attached at **Annexure-I**.

(c) No Madam. No support price has been fixed for marine products as there is a competition in the international market for marine products and the prices are market driven. Any external intervention on the prices is likely to jeopardize the exports from the country.

(d) Yes Madam. Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Canada, Australia and Thailand have imposed restriction/temporary ban on import of Indian shrimps due to bio security issues.

(e) The trade restrictions have been taken up with the concerned countries through the Indian Embassies and further clarifications sought by the importing countries, have been furnished to them. The major cause for the trade restriction is the report of White Spot Syndrome Virus (WSSV) in certain areas of aquaculture. MPEDA has strengthened awareness campaigns among the fishery farmers for adopting Better Manufacturing Practices (BMP) in Aquaculture through Cluster farming. The campaigns are also conducted against the use of banned antibiotics in aquaculture.

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### Annexure-I

**State/UT-wise details of fund released during the FY 2016-17 to 2018-19  
(upto 31<sup>st</sup> Jan 2019) under Blue Revolution Scheme**

*(Amount InRs. Lakhs)*

Sl. No.	State/UT	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
1.	Andaman & Nicobar	54.00	179.89	96.14
2.	Andhra Pradesh	1897.00	2162.88	915.89
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	0	222.90	0
4.	Assam	1641.45	799.66	283.12
5.	Bihar	1948.04	2.25	4078.69
6.	Chhattisgarh	1346.69	1091.92	881.16
7.	Daman & Diu	0	226.69	0
8.	Goa	1000.00	265.24	146.74
9.	Gujarat	386.50	1527.43	1420.80
10.	Haryana	1122.05	779.36	605.90
11.	Himachal Pradesh	1082.32	572.26	1046.13
12.	Jammu & Kashmir	1111.18	404.69	439.54
13.	Jharkhand	2300.20	75.00	925.40
14.	Karnataka	2870.54	3324.31	5847.29
15.	Kerala	1298.10	812.34	2313.01
16.	Lakshadweep	0	53.57	20.40
17.	Madhya Pradesh	1400.00	672.02	612.00
18.	Maharashtra	2051.53	2256.81	2797.59
19.	Manipur	0	456.15	382.13
20.	Meghalaya	1003.17	139.60	2598.95
21.	Mizoram	1376.77	261.39	275.23
22.	Nagaland	965.84	219.40	194.67
23.	NCT Delhi	0	136.29	0
24.	Odisha	2593.59	1077.68	1022.13
25.	Puducherry	999.95	150.00	1136.33
26.	Punjab	999.00	465.36	0
27.	Rajasthan	262.10	83.28	70.20
28.	Sikkim	379.16	0	416.52
29.	Tamil Nadu	2492.50	11342.80	6021.83
30.	Telangana	1465.00	479.78	1574.80
31.	Tripura	867.88	341.92	506.21
32.	Uttar Pradesh	1760.85	238.14	3050.06
33.	Uttarakhand	954.95	746.56	471.08
34.	West Bengal	774.38	649.32	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>38404.74</b>	<b>32216.89</b>	<b>40149.94</b>

(Source: DAHD&F)

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