

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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ASSISTANCE FOR EPICULTURE, FISHERY AND POULTRY FARMING

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the rural people are provided with financial assistance by the Government for epiculture, fishery and poultry farming;
- (b) if so, the funds allocated therefor during each of the last three years, State-wise;
- (c) the number of people benefited therefrom, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government provide subsidy for this purpose; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

- (a): The Government provide no direct financial assistance to rural folks or any individual for apiculture, fisheries and poultry farming.
- (b) & (c): Question does not arise.
- (d) & (e): The Government is implementing number of schemes relating to beekeeping and fisheries where subsidy is provided for these activities. The details of these schemes and amount of subsidy is indicated in the statement annexed. The Government, however, does not provide any subsidy for poultry farming. Annexure

Statement referred to in reply to Rajya Sabha Question No. 2223 for 15.3.02 raised by Prof. R.B.S. Varma

Details of the subsidy provided under various schemes for beekeeping and fishery activities

1. Development of Bee keeping for improving crop productivity

Under this scheme subsidy is provided for the following components:-

- (a) Distribution of bee colonies @ 50% of the cost subject to a maximum of Rs. 250/- per colony
- (b) Distribution of hives and bee equipment @ 50% of the cost of hives/equipment or Rs. 350/- per set whichever is less.

2. Development of Coastal Marine Fishery

Subsidy is provided on the following components:-

- (b) Motorisation of traditional fishing craft @ Rs. 12000/- for IBM and @ Rs. 10000/- for OBM
- (b) Reimbursement of excise duty on HSD oil @ Rs. 351.75/- per kl. of HSD
- (c) Purchase of gear box @ Rs. 6000/-

3. Development of Freshwater Aquaculture

The subsidy is provided for the following components:-

- (i) Renovation/Reclamation of ponds @ 20% of the cost limited to Rs. 12,000/- per ha for general category and @25% of the cost limited to Rs. 15,000/- per ha for SC/ST
- (j) Cost of fish feed, fish seed, fertilizers, manure etc. @ 20% of the cost upto Rs. 6,000/- per ha for general category and @ 25% of the cost for SC/ST upto Rs. 7500/- per ha

(k) Construction of new ponds and tanks in own-land @ 20% of the cost upto Rs. 0.40/- lakh per ha for general category and @ 25% for SC/ST. For hill States/Districts and NE Region @ 20% of the cost upto Rs. 0.60/- lakh per ha for all farmers and @ 25% of the cost upto Rs. 0.75/- lakh per ha for SC/ST.

(l) Running water fish culture in hill areas @ 20% of the cost upto Rs. 4000/- for general category and @ 25% of the cost upto Rs. 5000/- for SC/ST.

(m) Integrated fish farming with piggery, poultry, duckery etc. @ 20% of the cost upto Rs. 16000/- per ha for general category and @ 25% of the cost upto Rs. 20,000/- per ha for SC/ST.

(n) Provision of aerator @ 25% of the cost upto Rs. 12,500/- per set.

(o) Establishment of small freshwater prawn seed hatchery @ 20% of the cost with maximum ceiling of Rs. 1.60/- lakh to entrepreneurs only.

(p) Establishment of fish feed units @ 20% of the cost upto Rs. 5.00/- lakh.

4. Integrated Coastal Aquaculture

The subsidy is provided for the following components:-

(c) Development/reclamation of brackishwater fish farm and first crop input @ 25% of the capital cost or cost of input for the first year upto Rs. 30,000/- per ha.

(d) Establishment of prawn/shrimp seed hatchery @ 10% of cost upto Rs. 1.00 lakh/hatchery.

5. Welfare of fishermen

The subsidy is provided for the following components:-

(d) Construction of houses @ Rs. 40,000/- per dwelling unit.

(e) Saving-cum-relief @ Rs. 600/- per annum per fishermen for marine and @ Rs. 450/- per annum per fishermen for inland.

(f) Accident insurance - Insurance premium is subsidized.