

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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IMPROVEMENT IN FISHING ACTIVITIES IN GUJARAT
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government proposes to improve the fishing activities in Gujarat;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken in this regard during the last three years; and
- (d) the progress achieved during the said period as a result thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a): Yes, Sir. The Union Government through Centrally Sponsored Scheme "Development of Marine Fisheries, Infrastructure and Post Harvest Operations" is assisting the State Governments including Gujarat.

- (b): The components of the scheme are
- (i) subsidy for motorisation of traditional craft
 - (ii) Fishermen Development Rebate on HSD oil
 - (iii) assistance for construction of fish landing centres and fishing harbours.

(c)&(d): During the last three years an amount of Rs.1247.44 lakhs has been sanctioned under the scheme. This includes approval for construction of 2 minor fishing harbours at Dholai in Navasari district and Okha in Jamnagar district. The results of these efforts are expected to be reflected in the fish production of the state in coming years.