

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3155
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the serious plight of fishermen in the country;
- (b) if so, whether fishermen in the coasts of Kerala are in great financial strain;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (d) whether traditional fishermen are in distress due to trolling and other modernisation including liberalised policies;
- (e) whether multinationals and private companies have made use of such liberalised policies;
- (f) if so, whether traditional fishermen have been affected therefrom;
- (g) if so, the details thereof; and
- (h) the measures taken to help traditional fishermen to save them from such threats and difficulties?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

- (a) to (h): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.