

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1630
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DEVELOPMENT OF FISHERIES IN W.B.
Barman Shri Hiten

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a proposal for development of fisheries in West Bengal particularly in hilly areas has been received by the Government; and

(b) if so, the details and the status thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI TASLIMUDDIN)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The Government of West Bengal had sought Central assistance in 2006-07 for development of 2000 ha water area and 185 units ornamental fish and 150 units under Jhora fisheries involving total cost of Rs.383.72 lakhs. The proposal has been examined as per guidelines of Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Development of Inland Fisheries & Aquaculture implemented through Fish Farmers Development Agencies (FFDAs) set up in the State. As per terms of reference of the scheme, Utilization Certificates and physical progress report of funds released earlier, availability of state matching share, audited statement etc. are mandatory and accordingly State Government has been advised to do the needful.