

# WELFARE SCHEMES



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### STATE GOVT. SPONSORED WELFARE SCHEMES

#### 1. Reservoirs Fishermen Accident Insurance Scheme:

All active fishermen working in the reservoirs have been insured for Rs. **1,00,000**/- in case of partial permanent disability and a cover of Rs. 10,000/- towards hospitalization expences. In case of death or permanent total disability a fisherman is insured for Rs. **2,00,000**/-. The insurance premium of Rs. **30**/- is being shared by the Government of India and Government of Himachal Pradesh in **50:50** ratio.

# 2. Saving-cum-Relief Scheme (Close Season Assistance):

Under this scheme each fishermen who is member of the cooperative society deposits Rs. **60**/- for ten consecutive fishing months from August to May. Proportionate amount is contributed by the Central and State Government with contribution of Rs.**600**/- and**600**/- respectively. The totalamount of Rs.**1800**/- thus, raised is distributed to the fishermen in two installments during the **'closed season'**.

#### 3. Fishermen Risk Fund Scheme:

Under this scheme each reservoir fishermen contributes Rs. **20/**-annually, to be collected from him at the beginning of the year while issuing the licenses. The State Government contribute an amount equal to the total contribution of the fishermen. The assistance from the fund to the fishermen is given only on loss of gill nets, wooden boats, and tents. Based on the present value of the equipments the compensation is given up to **33**% of the loss of each item. Maximum assistance is given in case of total loss/destruction of the equipment.

# 4. Grant-in-Aid / Subsidy For Construction of Fish Ponds:

Under this scheme subsidy up to maximum of Rs **5,000** for the construction/renovation of ponds is given. The subsidy is available @ **50**% of the total project cost to Scheduled Castes/Tribes, while other living below poverty line @ **33**%.

The State Government is also providing training and technical guidance to the entrepreneurs.



## **CENTRE GOVT. SPONSORED WELFARE SCHEMES**

# **Objectives of the Fish Farmer's Development Agency**

- Reclaim and bring all potential water bodies such as swamps, silted up/ neglected ponds, water logged/ low lying areas etc. for optimum fish production;
- To build-up a trained cadre of fish farmers to undertakeintensive fish farming thus providing increasedemployment to rural unemployed;
- Strengthening of rural economy by making fish farmingeconomically viable;
- Financial assistance to fish farmers for excavating pondsor for improving existing water areas.
- To provide initial technical and financial assistance to thefish farmers.

# 1. Renovation/Reclamation of ponds and Tanks:

The scheme envisages renovation/reclamation of old ponds and tanks which are owned or taken on lease by the farmers. The estimated per hectare renovation cost of the pond is Rs. **75,000**/- and subsidy @ **20**% with a maximum of Rs. **15,000** /- for Non Scheduled Castes / other fish farmers and for S.C/S.T it is Rs. **18,750/**-.per ha. **(25**%)

#### 2. Construction of New Ponds:

This scheme has been introduced only during **1991-92** with an aim to create more ponds for increased fish production.

The unit cost of the scheme is Rs **4.00** lakhs per hectare. In the plain areas including arrangement water supply either in the form of tube-well or gravity flow. The subsidy component is available @ **20**% with a maximum of Rs. **80,000**/- per hectare for Non Scheduled Castes / other farmers and for S.C/S.T farmers it is **1,00,000**/- per hectare (**25**%).

# 3. Integrated Fish Farming:

Population outburst and limited resources have necessitated integration of various activities, for increasing employment avenues, and enhanced productivity with minimum inputs.

The scheme envisages Assistance for setting up integrated units including hatcheries for Ornamental Fishes- Unit cost Rs. **15** lakhs which includes hatchery of **5-10** million capacity.

# 4. Construction of Fresh Water Prawn & other Fish Hatchery:

The scheme envisages Rs. 12.00 lakh for a fish seed hatchery with 10 million (fry) capacity for the plain areas and Rs. 16.00 lakh with same capacity for the hill States/ districts. Subsidy @ 10% with a maximum ceiling of Rs.1.20 lakhs in the plain and Rs. 1.60 lakhs in the hilly areas for entrepreneurs only.

#### 5. Establishment of Fish Feed Unit:

For setting up of a fish feed unit the Govt. of India sanctioned the cost@Rs. **7.5 lakh** for building, machinery and equipment. These will be set up in the private sector. Subsidy @ **20**% with a maximum ceiling of Rs. **1.50** lakh is admissible for each entrepreneurs.

### 6. Subsidy on 1stYear Inputs:

The fish farmers who avail the benefits of Grant-in-Aid subsidy for the renovation and construction of ponds are also provided subsidy on the purchase of 1st year inputs such as fish seed, feed and manure etc.@ 20% with a maximum ceiling of Rs 10,000/- per hactare for all farmers except SC's/ST's for whom it is Rs. 12,500/- per hectare.(25%). The total cost per hectare. has been allowed Rs.30,000/-

# **SCHEMES FOR YOUTHS**

## 1. Construction of New Ponds:

Assistance for construction of a pond(size 1ha.) Rs. **1,00,000/-** for SC/ST and Rs. **80,000/-** for General Category farmers.

### 2. Reclamation/ Renovation of Ponds:

Assistance for a pond (size 1 hac.) Rs. **18,750**/- for SC/ST and Rs.**15,000/-** for General category farmers.

# 3. First Year Inputs:

Assistance for a pond of one hectare. Rs. **12,500/**- for SC/ST's and Rs. **10,000/**- for general category farmers.

# 4. Integrated Fish Farming:

Additional Assistance for integrated fish farming Pond (size1 hectare.) Rs. 20,000/- for S.C./S.T. & Rs. 16,000/- for general category. 5. Freshwater Fish Seed Hatchery: Assistance for setting up hatchery with 10 million seed (fry) capacity Rs.1.6 lakh for each units only. 6. Fish Feed Unit: Assistance for setting up fish feed unit in Rs. 1.50 lakh on a unit cost of Rs. **7.50** lakh. 7. Setting up of integrated units including hatcheries for ornamental fishes: Assistance for setting up hatchery with 5-10 million (fry) capacity Rs. 1.50 lakh to all categories of fish farmers.