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MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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MPEDA Schemes

330. SHRI SRIBHARAT MATHUKUMILLI:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry maintains data of financial assistance applications pending under various schemes of the Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA);
- (b) if so, the details thereof, scheme and year-wise during the last five years;
- (c) whether the Ministry maintains data on average processing time for applications received under MPEDA's financial assistance schemes, if so, the average duration during the last five years;
- (d) whether there have been delays in the disbursement of approved financial assistance to beneficiaries under MPEDA's Central Sector Schemes and if so, the reasons therefor including the measures being taken to ensure timely disbursement;
- (e) whether MPEDA has introduced or proposes to introduce a single-window system to facilitate documentation and clearances for applicants seeking financial assistance; and
- (f) whether MPEDA provides any structured handholding or facilitation support to new exporters and small-scale aquaculture entrepreneurs to complete scheme formalities and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्यमंत्री (श्री जितिन प्रसाद)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a), (b), (c) & (d) The data in respect of applications for financial assistance under the various schemes of Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA) is maintained by MPEDA. The Ministry disburses the funds allocated to MPEDA under various sub-heads of the Scheme including "Subsidies" for providing financial assistance to the beneficiaries for value addition and aquaculture development. The process of disbursing the funds to the beneficiaries is handled by MPEDA through its head office at Kochi and various field offices across the country. MPEDA manages the process of disbursing the financial assistance including accepting applications, scrutinizing documents, physical verification, recommendation, approval of the applications and the final disbursement of funds to the beneficiaries. Upon completion of the year, MPEDA submits

the Utilization Certificate to the Ministry showing the expenditure made by MPEDA during the year.

As per the data maintained by MPEDA, Out of the 47 financial assistance applications received by MPEDA for FY 2025-26, 37 applications have been approved and a total of ₹19.82 crore has been disbursed to 21 beneficiaries so far. The remaining ₹15.94 crore pertaining to 16 applicants is being processed by MPEDA for the final disbursement. The scheme and year-wise details of MPEDA's financial assistance schemes during the last five years is given as **Annexure**. The Maximum processing time for applications of financial assistance under the Value Addition scheme of MPEDA is 90 days subject to the availability of required documents and funds. In respect of assistance under Aquaculture Development scheme, Maximum time for issuing advance approval is 12 days and for processing the final application is 36 days. MPEDA ensures adherence to the timelines for various stages in the processing of applications through regular monitoring and taking timely corrective action at the appropriate level. Further, MPEDA has not faced any delays in the disbursement of approved financial assistance to beneficiaries, as the financial assistance is being credited directly to their Aadhaar-linked bank accounts.

(e) MPEDA has the system of an Online Portal wherein the applications for seeking financial assistance under the scheme, are received and processed. The online system ensures simplified documentation and a time-bound processing. The link for the online portal through which the registered exporters are availing the service is available on MPEDA's website at https://e-mpeda.nic.in/registration/Reg_login.aspx.

(f) Yes. MPEDA, through its various field offices, provides facilitation, timely support and guidance to the marine product exporters, including new exporters and small-scale aquaculture entrepreneurs, in registration and availing financial assistance under the various schemes of MPEDA. There are 8 Regional Divisions, 10 Sub-Regional Divisions, 3 Trade Promotion Offices, 5 Quality Control Laboratories and 2 Desk Offices to assist marine product exporters, processors and aqua culturists. The guidelines on MPEDA's financial assistance scheme are available on the website of MPEDA (www.mpeda.gov.in). It gives a step-by-step procedure to submit the application along with the details of relevant supporting document required. For supporting the new exporters, the details of procedure for registration of exporters have been provided on MPEDA's website and the link for new registration is at https://e-mpeda.nic.in/registration/Reg_login.aspx.

Annexure

The scheme- and year-wise details of financial assistance (Physical & Financial) for the last five years under Technology Development for Specific Value-Added Marine Products (TDSVMP) Scheme of MPEDA.

Phy- Physical (number of units/beneficiaries)

Fin- Financial (Financial assistance)

(₹ in Lakhs)

| Scheme | 2020-21 | | 2021-22 | | 2022-23 | | 2023-24 | | 2024-25 | | Total | |
|--|-----------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|----------|-----------------|----------|--------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|
| | Phy | Fin | Phy | Fin | Phy | Fin | Phy | Fin | Phy | Fin | Phy | Fin |
| Support for Value Added Product Development (SVA) | 10 | 1,299.29 | 11 | 2,637.39 | 6 | 1,494.75 | 3 | 555.31 | 10 | 2,518.49 | 40 | 8505.23 |
| Support for Process Automation (SPA) | 3 | 25.04 | 0 | | 0 | | 1 | 41.04 | 1 | 50 | 5 | 116.08 |
| Support for Cold Storage Development (SCS) | 14 | 608.91 | 6 | 274.23 | 2 | 100.71 | 2 | 258.1 | 3 | 192.5 | 27 | 1434.45 |
| Support for creation of Chilled Fish handling facilities (SCF) | 0 | 0 | 1 | 12.52 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 52.25 | 1 | 35.08 | 5 | 99.85 |
| Support for creation of Dried Fish handling facilities (SDF) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00 |
| Pre-Processing Centre | 4 | 22.35 | 1 | 4.06 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 26.41 |
| CCD-Conveyance | 0 | 0 | 1 | 7.89 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 7.89 |
| TOTAL | 31 | 1,955.59 | 20 | 2,936.09 | 8 | 1,595.46 | 9 | 906.7 | 15 | 2,796.07 | 83 | 10189.91 |
