

Support for providing safety kits for fishermen of traditional and motorized fishing vessels

West Bengal has three coastal districts with a coast line of 158 km. Thousands of fishermen venture out in the sea daily for their livelihood. They are always at some risk and in the mercy of nature. Fishermen who catch fish in the Indian territorial waters must be given adequate safety, security and protection to their life and property. To address issues of fisher safety and security, a number of technological solutions have been progressively developed. In order to strengthen safety and security of fishermen and ensure their sea worthiness, 'Providing Support for providing safety kits for fishermen of traditional and motorized fishing vessels' under Centrally Sponsored Scheme the Government is being implemented in the state.

Name of Scheme

Support for providing safety kits for fishermen of traditional and motorized fishing vessels - Strengthening of safety and security of fishermen Component.

Objectives

- To provide financial support to fishermen of traditional and motorized fishing vessels to procure safety kits
- To ensure safety and security to fishers involved in high risk profession.

Eligibility Criteria of the beneficiaries

- Traditional (including artisanal) marine fishermen actively involved in fishing are eligible for the benefit under this component
- In case of marine fisheries, the beneficiary should possess valid (a) ownership certificate, (b) Registration Certificate and Fishing License under Real Craft, (d) Biometric ID Card or Fishers ID card and (e) mandatorily QR coded Aadhar Card
- The assistance to safety kit is provided only once to each identified/eligible operational fishing vessels

Implementation of Plan

The proposed scheme "Support for providing safety kits for fishermen of traditional and motorized fishing vessels" is a beneficiary-oriented scheme. After the due approval of schemes by the Government, the schemes will be implemented through District Fisheries Officers by the beneficiary under the technical guidance of Block Fishery Extension Officers (FEO).

Subsidy

The total admissible Government subsidy will be limited to 40% of the project cost for general category beneficiaries and 60% of the project cost for Scheduled Castes(SCs), Scheduled Tribes(ST) and women. Beneficiary contribution can either be self-financed or bank loan or both.

Sources of Finance

The estimated project cost of one unit of Support for providing safety kits for fishermen of traditional and motorized fishing vessels has been worked out as Rs.1 lakh, as mentioned in the THE GOVERNMENTAL guidelines.

Time line of Project Implementation

| Activity | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR |
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| Submitting DPR | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Approval of DPR | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Beneficiary selection and approval | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Purchase of unit | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Physical verification | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Release of subsidy | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Assessment and evaluation | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| Details break up of Scheme: | | | | |
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| A) Cost | | | | |
| Sl No | Items of Expenditure | Quantity | Rate (in Rs) | Amount (Rs) |
| 1 | Life Jacket (Indian Register of Shipping Class type Approved, Accessories: Emergency Light & Whistle Load Capacity: Minimum 140 Kg, Weight: @1kg Operational Temperature: +300 C to +650C Self- Righting properties, Enhanced mouth free board, Easy to Don with Crotch Strap. To provide lifting Becket for instantaneous retrieval, High Floatability with optimum inherent Buoyancy (193 N), To have nil buoyancy across the chest to enable full freedom of movement for the users, Manufactured in India (An undertaking to be given by the manufacturer that product has been manufactured in India) | 5 | 1400.00 | 7000.00 |

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| 2 | Life Buoy (IRS Type Approved) [OD: 720 mm, ID 420 mm, Weight 2.8 Kg. Buoyancy: 180 N] Highly visible Orange Colour high density polyethylene outer shell that will not deteriorate and is unaffected by extreme weather conditions filled with polyurethane foam, reflective tapes and 4 equally spaced grablines, Providing additional floatation that will help 5 people survive in an emergency situation | 2 | 1900.00 | 3800.00 |
| 3 | GPS Device Physical dimensions: 2.6" x 6.0" x 1.2" (6.6 x 15.2 x 3.0 cm), Display size: 2.6" diagonal (6.6 cm) Display type: 4 level gray LCD Weight: 7.16 oz. (203.11 g) with AA batteries (not included), Interface: USB and Serial Storage: 1,000 waypoints and 100 tracks Battery life: Up to 18 hours with 2 AA batteries | 1 | 35000.00 | 35000.00 |
| Total | | | | 45800.00 |
| B) Funding pattern | | | | |
| | Type of Beneficiary (Group Activity) | Unit Cost (Rs.) | Govt. Assistance (both Central & State Govt.) (Rs.) | Beneficiary Contribution (Rs.) |
| | General Category | 45800.00 | 18320.00 | 27480.00 |
| | SC/ ST/ Women | 45800.00 | 27480.00 | 18320.00 |
| <p>Note: *District Level Stakeholders may include/ enhance items related to this scheme and involvement of total project cost may enhance upto Rs.100000.00 as mentioned in the original guideline</p> <p>** Note: The prices of the above-mentioned items are indicative only. The actual prices of the items may vary as per the local marketing conditions. The govt. subsidy will be given to a beneficiary with or without institutional finance. However, for subsidy calculation purposes the amount will be restricted as per the guideline of the Government.</p> | | | | |