

Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock

INTRODUCTION

Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock is one of the very important ministries from the food and nutrition security aspect of social security. This ministry has different programmes for human development and livelihood interventions.

The vision of the Ministry is to ensure good quality of sufficient animal protein for all. The Ministry has a mission to meet the demand of animal protein by increasing fish and animal products and value addition.

OBJECTIVES

The NSSS objective for the Ministry is to provide social security to the fishermen during seasonal unemployment. The food security programmes taken by this ministry need to be converted to cash transfer where possible.

PROJECTS

Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock has implemented 8 Social Security Programmes in over the period. In 2017-18, it is implementing 3 Programmes, the programmes are;

- Regional Duck Breeding and Hatchery (3rd Phase)
- 2. Fishermen ID Card and Fisheries Project**
- 3. Integrated Fisheries and Livestock Development in Flood Controlled Areas and Water Bodies**
- **In 2017-18, there is no budget allocation.

SSNs Present Situation

The Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock has been creating a database of all bona fide fishermen. An estimated 2 million fishermen will be brought under registration. The Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief implements the VGF programme for fishermen out of work. The registration process would facilitate identification of bona fide poor fishermen.

Gaps

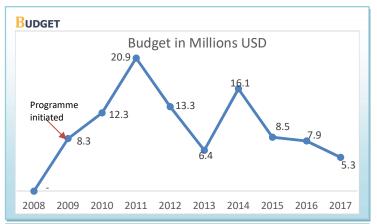
Proper coordination is required between Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock and MoDMR for organizing programmes for the poor fishermen.

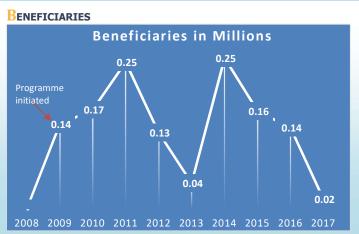
NSSS Provision

Seasonal unemployment is faced by fishermen communities, due to seasonal variation in the availability of fish, bad weather and a 2-month ban on the catch of young hilsha fish. During this period, they need special food security programmes.

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CHALLENGES

The NSSS challenge for this Ministry is to reach out to the fishermen community, suffering from food insecurity arising out of unemployment during lean seasons.





