

Haryana's New Initiative to make PMMSY Successful | Haryana | 20 Sep 2022

Why In News?

• On September 19, 2022, Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal announced a new initiative for fish farmers to make the 'Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana' a success in the state.

Key Points

- As a new initiative, the Chief Minister said that under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana, the subsidy coming from the Central Government which comes late, will now be given by the Haryana Government in advance.
- Apart from this, the Chief Minister announced to set up a testing lab related to fisheries in Sirsa itself for the fish farmers of Sirsa district, which will directly benefit the shrimp farmers here. Earlier, fish farmers here had to go to Rohtak and take the facility of lab testing.
- Along with this, Chief Minister Manohar Lal also announced to set up a wholesale fish market in one
 of the districts of Jhajjar or Gurugram for the purchase and sale of fish, which will benefit the
 farmers in economic progress.
- The Chief Minister also informed that an aquapark would be constructed at Garwa village in Bhiwani district at a cost of Rs 30 crore. This aqua park will be on 25 acres. In this, new research related to fisheries, new varieties of fisheries, research on seeds will be done. This will directly benefit the fish farmers.

Draft Haryana Ex-Situ Management of Paddy Straw Policy-2022 | Haryana | 20 Sep 2022

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 On September 19, 2022, Haryana chief secretary Sanjeev Kaushal has prepared a draft Haryana exsitu management of paddy straw policy-2022 by the New and Renewable Energy Department to completely curb crop residue burning incidents in the state and ensure proper management of stubble.

Key Points

- The final approval to the draft Haryana Ex-Situ Management of Paddy Straw Policy-2022 will be given by Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar.
- The Chief Secretary said that the Haryana Ex-Situ Management of Paddy Straw Policy-2022 aims at stubble-based biomass, power projects, industries, compressed biogas plants, waste-to-energy plants, brick kilns, A conducive environment has to be created to attract investment in packaging

materials etc. Along with this, farmers should be encouraged to cut, make and store stubble in their fields and to facilitate it to be sold for use in various projects.

- Through this policy, a link will be established between farmers and industries / gaushalas / users for demand and supply management of crop residue. Also, emphasis will be laid on the use of stubble in power plants, industrial boilers, brick kilns or any other industrial, commercial or institutional establishments.
- Promotion of Research and Development (R&D) in new technologies is also one of the main objectives of this policy.
- Various financial incentives have also been provided in the draft of this policy to promote the use of power projects, CBG plants, ethanol and other biofuels in the state.
- The Chief Secretary said that district wise mapping strategy for stubble demand has also been included in the policy.
- He said that continuous work is being done by the Agriculture Department to make farmers aware and encourage for crop residue management in the state. Baling units (Hay-rake, Shrub Master and Straw Baler) are being provided by the department to farmers under individual category at 50 percent subsidy and for opening customer hiring centers at 80 percent subsidy.

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