



India's First Organic Fisheries Cluster in Sikkim

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The **Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying** launched **India's first organic fisheries cluster in Soreng District, Sikkim** under the [Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana \(PMMSY\)](#).

- **Organic Fisheries Cluster:** It aims to produce **antibiotic, chemical, and pesticide-free organic fish** for eco-conscious markets globally.
 - The initiative promotes **sustainable aquaculture and ecologically healthy fish farming, preventing pollution** and damage to aquatic ecosystems.
 - [National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development](#) will fund infrastructure, build capacities, and form **Fisheries-based Farmer Producer Organizations (FFPOs)** to support the cluster.
- **Sikkim a Organic State:** Sikkim becomes **India's first fully organic state**, with 75,000 hectares of land converted to certified organic practices under the [National Programme for Organic Production](#).
- **PMMSY:** Aims to develop the fisheries sector through sustainable practices with an investment of Rs 20,050 crores.
 - It focuses on enhancing fish production, infrastructure, and marketing while ensuring the **welfare of fishers and fish farmers**.
 - The scheme is being implemented across India from **FY 2020-21 to FY 2024-25** by the **Department of Fisheries**.

Read more: [Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana](#)

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