

# TAMIL NADU FISHWORKERS' ENTITLEMENTS—A HANDBOOK

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# FOREWORD

For over a decade, Dakshin Foundation has been working on rights-based, livelihood, and environmental issues for fishermen across the maritime states in our country. As a fisherman working on advocacy for multiple decades, one of the major issues I have witnessed in the community is the lack of awareness of existing schemes and subsidies rolled out by both union and state governments among the fishermen.

Dakshin's present initiative of publishing this booklet and generating awareness among fishermen on schemes and subsidies is the need of the hour and we welcome it. Dakshin Foundation and Ramanathapuram Fishworker Trade Union (RFTU) share a long relationship in working together on multiple issues. We at RFTU completely endorse and extend our support to Dakshin's initiative and strongly believe that with collaborative efforts we can ensure the booklet and its information will reach the last mile and even the most disadvantaged fishers should be able to access the available schemes and subsidies. This would act as an important support in their social and economic upliftment.

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# **1. GUIDE TO THE HANDBOOK**

## **Who is this book for?**

This book is for marine fishworkers, specifically, small-scale marine fishworkers in Tamil Nadu. Information on and subscription to the existing welfare and income-support schemes of the government was found to be low in predominantly small-scale marine fishing villages. This book has been compiled to disseminate information to marine fishworkers in Tamil Nadu and to improve access to existing government support. Additionally, the book also highlights schemes available for fisher youth and fisher women.

## **How to access these schemes?**

Most of the schemes in this book can be accessed by contacting the Assistant Director of Fisheries. The phone numbers and office address of the Assistant Director of Fisheries in Ramanathapuram District (where Dakshin Foundation is currently working with small-scale fishing communities) are mentioned at the end of this document. Fishworkers may also contact the Fisheries Department appointed Sub-inspectors and local Sagar Mitras, who have been given the role of facilitating various schemes and programmes at the village level.

## **What all is included in this book?**

The book is divided into five sections: Fisher Welfare Schemes, Marine Fisher Assets, Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture, Trainings and Fish Marketing. Each page covers one scheme and gives details of the entitlements, the eligibility for the scheme and how to apply for the scheme. In the online version, links to the claim forms for the schemes are also available. Claim forms can also be obtained from the respective Assistant Director of Fisheries.

## Does this book cover all the schemes that are made available by the government?

The book compiles information on key Department of Fisheries related schemes and subsidies. There are a large number (close to 200+) of other welfare schemes made available by other government departments such as Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department, Agriculture and Horticulture Departments, Education Department, Women and Child Development, Livelihoods, among others that coastal communities are also eligible for. This booklet, however, does not provide information on schemes from other Departments.

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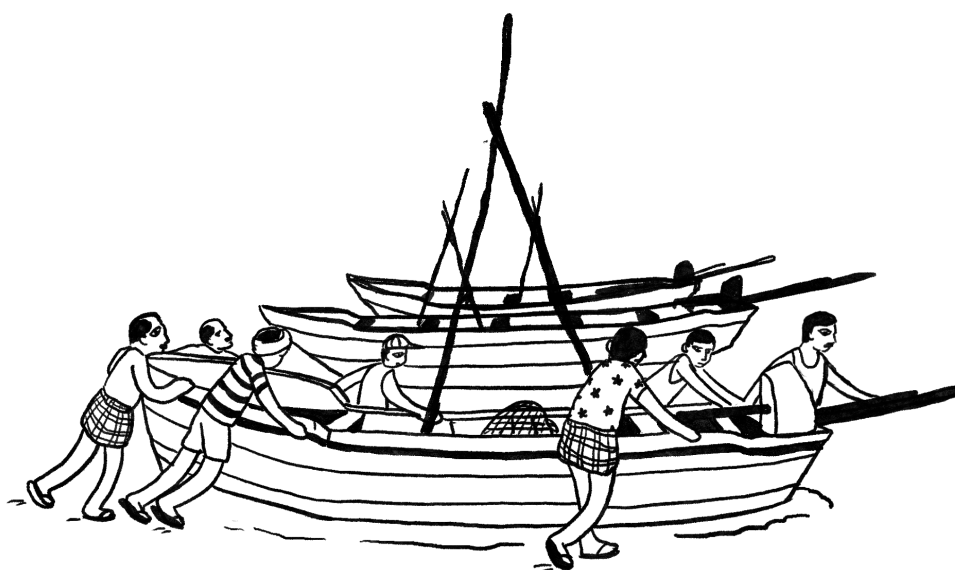
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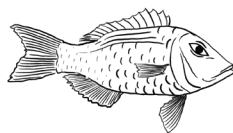


**YOUTH**



**WOMEN**





## 2. ENTITLEMENTS OF MARINE FISHWORKERS IN TAMIL NADU

Marine fishworkers in Tamil Nadu are entitled to various rights and entitlements as outlined in the Constitution of India, as per various state and central government laws, policies and schemes, as well as through and international agreements, conventions and regional arrangements that India is signatory or party to such as the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. Other non-binding documents such as the FAO's Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries and the Voluntary Guidelines for Securing Sustainable Small-Scale Fisheries (VGSSF) also guide India's approaches towards fishers' entitlements and their role in coastal and marine governance.

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### THE RIGHTS AND ENTITLEMENTS INCLUDE:

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#### 1. Right to livelihood

Drawn from Article 21 of the Constitution, for marine fishers, this right translates into the capability to access and utilise the resources of the sea and coastal areas for fishing and related activities without hindrance from exclusionary developmental projects. This represents an obligation on the part of the state to protect fishers from arbitrary and unlawful interference in carrying out activities related to their livelihood.

#### 2. Right to social security

Marine fishers and particularly small-scale fishworkers often face significant marginalisation and other socio-economic barriers. As per the Tamil Nadu Fishermen and Labourers Engaged in Fishing and other Allied Activities (Social Security and Welfare) Act, 2007, fishers and allied 'beach workers' from marginalised groups are entitled to central and state social security benefits, such as the savings-cum-relief, pension and insurance schemes, adequate compensation in case of loss of livelihood or damage to property, among other programmes to secure their livelihoods in times of need.



### **3. Right to health and safety**

Fishers work in dangerous physically demanding environments and are often exposed to life-threatening conditions while at work including fishing in rough seas, facing bad weather, security threats from neighbouring maritime countries, and inadequate safety equipment on board. Fishers, as workers, are thus not only entitled, through various local laws, access to medical care and health check-ups, compensation on account of death and disability due to fishing but also access to information on safe fishing practices.

### **4. Right to participate in the management of marine resources**

Fishers have the right to participate in the management and conservation of marine resources, as their lives and livelihoods are directly dependent on healthy coasts and seas and its sustainable and equitable use. In Tamil Nadu, platforms to engage with government authorities on matters related to marine resource management include fisher co-operatives, fisher associations, district level committees for coastal management and other co-management and advisory boards.

### **5. Right to education**

Fishers and their children have the right to education and should be provided with equal educational opportunities. This includes scholarships and reserved access to schools, colleges and fisheries research institutions.

### **6. Right to information**

Additionally, fishers have the right to information about government policies and programmes that impact their livelihoods. This implies an obligation on relevant authorities to provide information to fishers about the state of resources, habitats and coastal zone management that would help hold decision-makers accountable to the decisions made.





## **These rights and entitlements form the basis for ensuring a just, equitable and sustainable livelihood for marine fishers in Tamil Nadu.**

More specifically, the Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare Department policy note 2022-23, outlines the major objectives of the Department of Fisheries in Tamil Nadu.

They are as follows:

### **FISHER WELFARE**

- Protection of traditional fishing rights and welfare of fishermen of Tamil Nadu
- Improving the living standards of fishers through various welfare schemes
- Empowerment of fisherwomen in livelihood activities with a special focus on fisher widows
- Ensuring transparency in implementation and monitoring of developmental schemes and welfare measures through e-Governance
- Capacity building and skill upgradation for fishers
- Research & Development and technological interventions in the Fisheries sector

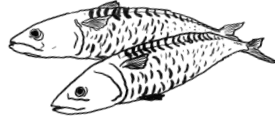
### **ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT**

- Enhancing the productivity and production of fish from the Inland, Brackish and Marine resources
- Creation and upgradation of infrastructure facilities such as Government Fish Farms, Fishing Harbours (FHs)/Fish Landing Centres (FLCs), cold chain, value addition, forward and backward linkages
- Generating additional rural employment opportunities through fish culture
- Bridging the gap between the demand and supply of fish seed
- Harnessing the opportunity of expanding the export market for high value fish and fishery products

### **ENVIRONMENTAL SAFEGUARDS**

- Conserving fishery resources, stock enhancement and management through enforcement of relevant Acts, Rules and Regulations
- Re-assessment of the fishery resources and their potential in the State of Tamil Nadu

Towards fulfilling these obligations, the Fisheries Department has entitlements directed towards fishing communities. These are listed in the sections in the next page.



### 3. OVERVIEW

#### FISHER WELFARE SCHEMES IN TAMIL NADU - OVERVIEW

Sl. No.	Scheme Name	Details	Amount (Up to Rs.)	
FISHER WELFARE				
1	Accident Relief	i. Death due to accident	2,00,000	
		ii. Loss of both hands	2,00,000	
		iii. Loss of both legs	2,00,000	
		iv. Loss of one hand or one leg	1,00,000	
		v. Loss of sight in both eyes	2,00,000	
		vi. Loss of limbs due to major injuries other than the above	50,000	
2	Fishermen missing during fishing		2,00,000	
3	Natural death		15,000	
4	Funeral expenses		2500	
5	Assistance for education of son or daughter of Member		Male	Female
		i. Pass in 10th Std. - Day Scholar and Hosteller	1250	1500
		ii. Pass in 12th -Day Scholar and Hosteller	1750	2000
		iii. ITI & Polytechnic - Day Scholar	1250	1750
		iii. ITI & Polytechnic - Hosteller	1450	1950
		iv. Bachelor Degree in Arts - Day Scholar	1750	2250

5	Assistance for education of son or daughter of Member	iv. Bachelor Degree in Arts - Hosteller	2000	2500
		v. Post Graduate Degree - Day Scholar	2250	2750
		v. Post Graduate Degree - Hosteller	3250	3750
		vi. Professional courses (law, engineering, medicine, etc) - Day Scholar	2250	2750
		vi. Professional courses (law, engineering, medicine, etc) - Hosteller	4250	4750
		vii. Post Graduate Professional Courses - Day scholar	4250	4750
		viii. Post Graduate Professional Courses - Hosteller	6250	6750
6	Marriage assistance		3000	5000
7	Delivery or miscarriage of Pregnancy or termination of pregnancy	i. Delivery	6000	
		ii. Miscarriage and termination	3000	
8	Relief Scheme (NFSRS) for Marine Fishermen Families		3000	
9	Relief Scheme for Marine Fisherwomen		4500	
10	State Fishing Ban Period Assistance		6000	
11	State Fishing Lean Period Assistance		6000	
12	Group Accident Insurance Scheme for Fisherfolk	i. Death/permanent total disability	5,00,000	
		ii. Permanent partial disability	2,50,000	
		iii. Hospitalization	10,000	

13	Missing while Fishing Relief		2,00,000
14	Daily relief to marine fishermen apprehended by neighbouring Countries		250/day
15	Relief to the families of deceased fishermen/ injured fishermen due to shooting incidents by Sri Lankan Navy	i. Death during fishing or after fishing other than Accidental death	3,00,000
		ii. Death of sole bread-winner of the family	5,00,000
16	Building a House	i. Central scheme	1,20,000
		ii. State scheme	1,70,000
17	Tube Well – Drinking Water Facility		50,000
18	Community Hall for Fisherman		4,00,000
<b>MARINE FISHER ASSETS</b>			
19	Motorisation of Traditional Craft	i. Including fishing gear and propeller	1,20,000
		ii. Without fishing gear and propeller	48,000
20	Assistance to Traditional/Artisanal fishermen (FRP Boat) up to 10m OAL		4,00,000
21	Procure New Tuna Long liner-cum-Gill netter Boats		60,00,000
22	Buy Boats & Gear - Inland Fisheries		1,00,000
23	Tax exempted High Speed Diesel (HSD) Tamil Nadu	i. For Motorized Boats	4000 Litres/year

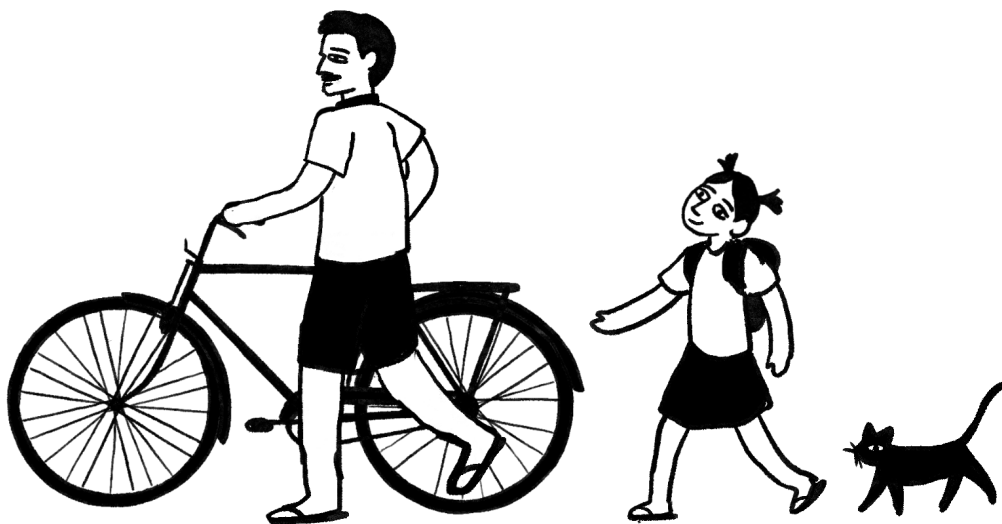
24	Tax exempted High Speed Diesel (HSD) Tamil Nadu	ii. For Mechanized Boats	18000 Litres/year
25	Subsidized Industrial Kerosene to Traditional Crafts		3400 Litres/year
26	Safety of fishermen at sea		2,00,000
27	Insulated Fish & Ice Holding Boxes		25,000
28	Open Sea Cage Culture		5,00,000
29	Seaweed Farming		1000
30	Bivalve Farming		15,000
31	Pearl Farming		25,00,000
<b>INLAND FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE</b>			
32	Freshwater/ Brackish water Prawn Hatcheries		50,00,000
33	New Fish Pond/Tank		7,00,000
34	Renovate Existing Ponds/Tanks		3,50,000
35	Buy Fish/Prawn Seed, Feed, Manure for New and Existing Ponds/Tanks	i. Finfish Culture	1,50,000
		ii. Freshwater prawn/ trout culture	2,50,000
36	Build Fish Seed Hatcheries		25,00,000
37	Raceway/Permanent farming Unit - Aquaculture		2,00,000
38	Earthen Units Cold Water Fish Culture		1,00,000
39	Fish Seed Rearing Units - Inland Fisheries		6,00,000

40	Landing Centres, Net mending Shed - Inland Fisheries		4,00,000
41	Development of Waterlogged Areas		5,00,000
42	Development of Reservoirs		20,000,000
43	Cage/Pens with inputs for Reservoirs/Open Water Bodies		3,00,000
44	Stock Fish Fingerlings in Beels / Wetland		2,50,000
45	Re-circulatory Aquaculture Systems (RAS)	i. Low Cost RAS	15,00,000
		ii. Medium Size RAS	50,00,000
46	Fish feed Mills/Plants		1,000,000
47	Formulated Fish Pellet Feed Plant		20,000,000
<b>FISH MARKETING</b>			
48	Ice Plant or Cold Storage, Ice plant cum Cold Storage		100,00,000/Plant 2,50,000/Tonne
49	Retail Fish Shop/Kiosk		1,000,000
50	Auto rickshaw with Ice box		200,000
51	Motorcycle/Bicycle with Ice box	i. Motorcycle	60,000
		ii. Bicycle	3,000
52	Retail Fish Market	i. Fish Market with 10 Retail Outlets	100,00,000
		ii. Fish Market with 20 Retail Outlets	200,00,000
		iii. Fish Market with 50 Retail Outlets	500,00,000

53	Open TNFDC/ TAFCOFED - Meengal Fish Stall Franchise		
54	Renovation/ Modernization of existing Ice Plant or Cold Storage		1,50,000/Tonne, 60,00,000/Plant
55	Refrigerated Truck/ Container	Refrigerated 10 Tonne Truck	25,00,000
56	Insulated Truck/ Container	i. Insulated 10 Tonne Truck	20,00,000
		ii. Insulated 6 Tonne Truck	15,00,000
57	Integrated Cold Chain Storage/ Transport system		50,000,000
58	Credit for fish vending	For a group of 5 fisherwoman	75,000



## **4.1 FISHER WELFARE SCHEMES**





## State Financial Assistance during Fishing Ban Period

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

The 61-day fishing ban period is implemented from April 15th to June 14th in the East Coast region and June 1st to July 31st in the West Coast region (Rajakkamangalamthurai to Neerodi). The Government is implementing a scheme for providing relief assistance to fisher crew and labourers of Rs. 6000/- to each marine fishermen family in coastal districts to mitigate their loss of livelihood during the fishing ban period.

Region	Ban Period
Pazhaverkadu to Kanyakumari	April, June
Kanyakumari (Rajakkamangalamthurai to Neerodi)	June, July

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicant should be a fulltime active fisherman
2. Applicant should be a member of a functional local fishers cooperative society/ Federation/any other registered body.
3. Applicant should be Below Poverty Line (BPL) and of between 18 and 60 years of age

### ENTITLEMENT

Coverage for	Amount
Ban period assistance. The amount will be transferred to applicant bank account through NEFT	Rs 6000/- per marine fishermen family

### HOW TO APPLY

1. Reach out to village Sagarmitra for assistance
2. Application to be submitted to the Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/WelfareSchemes>



## State Financial Assistance during Lean Period

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

To alleviate the loss of livelihood of the marine fishermen families who are actively involved in marine fishing activities, the Government of Tamil Nadu is extending relief assistance to marine fishermen families during lean fishing months.

Region	Lean Period
Thiruvallur to Ramanathapuram	October, November, December
Tuticorin, Tirunelveli	April, May, June
Kanyakumari	January, February, March

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicant should be a fulltime active fisherman
2. Applicant should be a member of a functional local fishers cooperative society/ Federation/any other registered body
3. Applicant should be Below Poverty Line (BPL) and of between 18 and 60 years of age

### ENTITLEMENT

Coverage for	Amount
Lean period assistance. The amount will be transferred to applicant bank account through NEFT	Rs 6000/- per marine fishermen familyl

### HOW TO APPLY

1. Reach out to village Sagarmitra for assistance
2. Application to be submitted to the Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

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## State Savings-cum-Relief Scheme for Marine Fisherwomen

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme is implemented as a State scheme for marine fisherwomen. The State Government contributes Rs. 3,000 and a sum of Rs. 4,500 including the fisherwomen contribution is disbursed to the applicants during the lean fishing months.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicant should be a fulltime active fisherwoman
2. Applicant should be a member of a functional local fisher's cooperative society/ Federation/any other registered body.
3. Applicant should be Below Poverty Line (BPL) and of between 18 and 60 years of age
4. Applicant fishers shall save Rs.1500/- over a period of 9 months during the fishing season annually towards their contribution. Lump-sum contribution in a period of one or two months may be avoided.

### ENTITLEMENT

Coverage for	Amount
Ban/Lean period assistance. The accumulated amount of Rs.4500/- will be disbursed to enrolled fishers in 3 equal installments during the lean period of 3 months every year	Fisherwoman share- 1500/- Rs. Govt. share - 3000/- Rs. per fisher per year.

### HOW TO APPLY

1. Reach out to village Sagarmitra for assistance
2. Application to be submitted to the Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

[https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/includes/assets/pdf/Start-A-Business/Welfare\\_Schemes.pdf](https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/includes/assets/pdf/Start-A-Business/Welfare_Schemes.pdf)



## National Fisher Saving-cum-Relief Scheme (NFSRS) for Marine Fisher Families

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

In addition to the state schemes, the central government is implementing a scheme for providing relief assistance of Rs. 3000/- to each marine fishermen family in coastal districts to mitigate their loss of livelihood during the fishing ban period.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicant should be a fulltime active fisher.
2. Applicant should be a member of a functional local fishers cooperative society/ Federation/any other registered body.
3. Applicant should be Below Poverty Line (BPL) and of between 18 and 60 years of age.
4. Applicant fishers shall save Rs.1500/- over a period of 9 months during the fishing season annually towards their contribution. Lump-sum contribution in a period of one or two months may be avoided.

### ENTITLEMENT

Entitlement	Amount
Ban/Lean period assistance. The accumulated amount of Rs.4500/- will be disbursed to enrolled fishers in 3 equal installments during the lean/ ban period of 3 months every year	Fisher share- 1500/- Rs. Govt. share - 3000/- Rs. per fisher per year

### HOW TO APPLY

1. Reach out to village Sagarmitra for assistance
2. Application to be submitted to the Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

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## Supply of tax-exempted High Speed Diesel (HSD) Tamil Nadu

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

The Government of Tamil Nadu provides tax exempted diesel to the registered mechanized and motorized fishing boats.

### ENTITLEMENT

Craft	Up To
Mechanized Boats	18000 Liters per boat per year (1800 liters per month for 10 months)
Motorized Boats	4000 Liters per boat per year (300-350 liters per month)
Funding pattern - State government share-25%, Fisher share-75%	

### PAPERS TO SUBMIT

1. Ownership Certificate of fishing vessel of less than 20m OAL
2. Registration Certificate under the ReALCraft
3. Fishing License and
4. Biometric ID fishers ID card.

### HOW TO APPLY

1. Reach out to village Sagarmitra for assistance
2. Application to be submitted to the Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Supply of subsidized Industrial Kerosene to Traditional Crafts

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

The government is providing industrial kerosene of 3400 litres per motorized country boat per year at the subsidized rate to the fishing crafts of Thoothukudi, Tirunelveli and Kanyakumari Districts.

### ENTITLEMENT

Craft	Up To
Industrial kerosene allotted at subsidized rate of Rs. 25 per litre	300 Liters per boat per month. 3400 Liters per boat per year

### PAPERS TO SUBMIT

1. Fuel Pass book
2. Ownership Certificate of vessel less than 20m OAL
3. Registration Certificate under the ReALCraft
4. Fishing License
5. Biometric ID fishers ID card.

### HOW TO APPLY

1. Reach out to village Sagarmitra for assistance
2. Application to be submitted to the Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>





## Group Accident Insurance Scheme for Fisherfolk

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

Under the PMMSY scheme, relief assistance is provided to deceased fishers or fishers with permanent or partial disability towards covering hospitalization expenses. The insurance cover shall be for a period of 12 months.

### ELIGIBILITY

Licensed/Registered fishers enrolled in the Fishermen/Fisherwomen Co-operative societies and the fisher enrolled in Tamil Nadu Fishermen Welfare Board

### ENTITLEMENT

Insurance premium@ Rs.20.34/- per fisher per year paid by the government.

Coverage for	Insurance Up to
Death or permanent total disability	5,00,000
Permanent partial disability	2,50,000
Hospitalization expenses	10,000

### WHERE TO APPLY

1. Fishermen/Fisherwomen Co-operative societies
2. Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/WelfareSchemes>

Insurance Form: <http://www.fishcopfed.in/OrientalInsurance.pdf>



## Daily relief to families of Missing Fishers

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

The State Government is providing daily relief assistance of Rs. 350 (Rs.10,500 per month) to the families of fishermen who went missing while fishing at sea for two years or until they receive monetary benefits through Group accident insurance scheme/Tamil Nadu Fishermen Welfare Board.

### ENTITLEMENT

Relief for	Amount
Daily relief to families of fishers missing at sea	Rs. 350/day up to Rs. 2 Lakhs

### PAPERS TO SUBMIT

1. Original Welfare board I.D. card
2. Copy of Ration card
3. Copy of police FIR
4. Letter from Police Station concern that the missing fishermen is not yet traced
5. Family Member certificate
6. Letter consent from other legal heirs for disbursing the amount to the applicant in Rs.20/- stamp paper (only for aged 18 years and above)
7. Indemnity bond (Letter consent for refunding the relief assistance sanctioned to the Missing fishermen when he will traced out)
8. ADF / Revenue department Certificate regarding no relief assistance was sanctioned from CM relief fund and in other Govt ongoing schemes
9. Copy of Nominee Bank pass book

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in/>



## Daily relief to marine fishermen apprehended by neighbouring countries

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

The Government supports the families of fishermen who are apprehended by Sri Lanka and other neighbouring countries while fishing, by providing daily allowance of Rs. 250 to the family of the apprehended fishermen. The scheme is implemented through the District Collector's Office.

### ENTITLEMENT

Relief for	Amount
Daily allowance to families of apprehended fishermen	Rs. 250/day

### PAPERS TO SUBMIT

1. Original Welfare board I.D. card
2. Copy of Ration card
3. Copy of police FIR
4. Letter from Police Station concern that the missing fishermen is not yet traced
5. Family Member certificate
6. Letter consent from other legal heirs for disbursing the amount to the applicant in Rs.20/- stamp paper (only for aged 18 years and above)
7. Indemnity bond (Letter of consent for refunding the relief assistance sanctioned to the Missing fishermen when he is traced)
8. ADF / Revenue department Certificate regarding no relief assistance was sanctioned from CM relief fund and in other Govt ongoing schemes
9. Copy of Nominee Bank pass book

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in/index.php/User/missing>



## Relief to the families of deceased fishermen/ injured fishermen due to shooting incidents by Sri Lankan Navy

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

The fishermen of coastal Districts, who fish in traditional waters of the Palk Bay, the Government is providing an ex-gratia payment of Rs.3 lakh from the Chief Minister's Public Relief Fund to help the family of fishermen who die in shooting at sea.

### ENTITLEMENT

Relief for	Amount
Death during fishing or after fishing other than Accidental death	3,00,000
Death of sole bread-winner of the family	5,00,000
Major injuries on account of shooting at sea	50,000
Minor injuries on account of shooting at sea	20,000

### PAPERS TO SUBMIT

1. Detailed death report of ADF
2. Original Welfare board I.D. card
3. Copy of Ration card
4. Copy of police FIR
5. Original death certificate
6. Post mortem certificate
7. If Post mortem report pending (final report)
8. Original Legal heir certificate
9. Letter consent from other legal heirs for disbursing the amount to the applicant in Rs.20/- stamp paper (only for aged 18 years and above)
10. ADF / Revenue department Certificate regarding no relief assistance was sanctioned from CM relief fund and in other Govt ongoing schemes
11. Copy of Nominee Bank pass book

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in/>

Claim Form: [https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in/template/claim\\_forms/Claim%20death%20form%207.pdf](https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in/template/claim_forms/Claim%20death%20form%207.pdf)



## Funeral Assistance

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

The relief or assistance to members registered with the Tamil Nadu Fisheries Welfare Board towards funeral assistance of fishers.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Inland and marine fishers or allied activity labourers in the age group of 18-65 years are eligible for enrollment into the TNFWB.
2. Fish workers engaged in fishing, drying, sale of fish and other allied activities including boat-building. Processing labour, workers engaged in cleaning, grading, auctioning, processing and packaging in processing are also included.
3. Ration card or any other State/Central government authorized documents for the proof of age, residence, family members and a passport size photo is needed for enrollment in TNFWB.

### ENTITLEMENT

Relief for	Amount
Funeral Assistance	2500

### PAPERS TO SUBMIT

1. Copy of Welfare board I.D. card
2. Copy of Ration card
3. Copy of Death certificate
4. Copy of Legal heir certificate
5. Copy of Nominee Bank pass book

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

Claim form:

[https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in//template/claim\\_forms/Claim%20funeral%20form%208.pdf](https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in//template/claim_forms/Claim%20funeral%20form%208.pdf)  
<https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in/>



## Natural Death Relief

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

The relief or assistance to members registered with the Tamil Nadu Fisheries Welfare Board in respect of natural death relief.

### ENTITLEMENT

Relief for	Amount
Natural death	15000

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Inland and marine fishers or allied activity labourers in the age group of 18-65 years are eligible for enrollment into the TNFWB.
2. Fish workers engaged in fishing, drying, sale of fish and other allied activities including boat-building. Processing labour, workers engaged in cleaning, grading, auctioning, processing and packaging in processing are also included.
3. Ration card or any other State/Central government authorized documents for the proof of age, residence, family members and a passport size photo is needed for enrollment in TNFWB.

### PAPERS TO SUBMIT

1. Original Welfare board I.D. card
2. Copy of Ration card
3. Death certificate
4. Legal heir certificate
5. Letter consent from other legal heirs for disbursing the amount to the applicant in Rs.20/- stamp paper (only for aged 18 years and above)
6. Copy of Nominee Bank pass book

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

Claim Form: [https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in/template/claim\\_forms/Claim%20death%20form%207.pdf](https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in/template/claim_forms/Claim%20death%20form%207.pdf)  
<https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in/>



## Accident Relief

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

The relief or assistance to registered members provided for accidents at sea.

### ENTITLEMENT

Relief for	Amount
Death due to accident at sea	2,00,000
Loss of both hands	2,00,000
Loss of both legs	2,00,000
Loss of one hand and one leg	2,00,000
Loss of sight in both eyes	2,00,000
Loss of one hand or one leg	1,00,000
Loss of limbs due to Major injuries other than the above items	50,000

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Inland and marine fishers or allied activity labourers in the age group of 18-65 years are eligible for enrollment into the TNFWB.
2. Fish workers engaged in fishing, drying, sale of fish and other allied activities including boat-building. Processing labour, workers engaged in cleaning, grading, auctioning, processing and packaging in processing are also included.
3. Ration card or any other State/Central government authorized documents for the proof of age, residence, family members and a passport size photo is needed for enrollment in TNFWB.

### PAPERS TO SUBMIT

1. Detailed death report of ADF
2. Original Welfare board I.D. card
3. Copy of Ration card
4. Copy of police FIR
5. Original death certificate
6. Post mortem certificate
7. If Post mortem report pending (final report)
8. Original Legal heir certificate



9. Letter consent from other legal heirs for disbursing the amount to the applicant in Rs.20/- stamp paper (only for aged 18 years and above)
10. ADF / Revenue department Certificate regarding no relief assistance was sanctioned from CM relief fund and in other Govt ongoing schemes
11. Copy of Nominee Bank pass book

#### WHERE TO APPLY:

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

Claim Form: [https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in//template/claim\\_forms/Claim%20death%20form%207.pdf](https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in//template/claim_forms/Claim%20death%20form%207.pdf)

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## Education Assistance

#### ABOUT THE SCHEME

Every year, this scheme provides assistance to registered members in respect of education for 10th and 12th standard students, I.T.I. or Polytechnic, Bachelor Degree, Post Graduate Degree, Professional Courses (Law, Engineering, Medicine etc.) and Post Graduate Professional Courses.

#### ENTITLEMENT

Relief for	Day scholars (Amt./year)		Hostellers (Amt./year)	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
i. Pass in 10th Std. - Day Scholar and Hosteller	1250	1500	1250	1500
ii. Pass in 12th -Day Scholar and Hosteller	1750	2000	1750	2000
iii. ITI & Polytechnic - Day Scholar	1250	1750	1450	1950
iv. Bachelor Degree in Arts - Day Scholar	1750	2250	2000	2500

v. Post Graduate Degree - Day Scholar	2250	2750	3250	3750
vi. Professional courses (law, engineering, medicine, etc) - Day Scholar	2250	2750	4250	4750
vii. Post Graduate Professional Courses - Day scholar	4250	4750	6250	6750

## **DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:**

### **I. For 10th and 12th pass**

- i. Copy of Welfare board I.D. card
- ii. Copy of Ration card
- iii. Copy of Mark sheet
- iv. Copy of TC
- v. Copy of Bank pass book
- vi. No Claim Declaration from Spouse

### **II. For other Degrees, Professional course, polytechnic and ITI courses**

- i. Copy of Welfare board I.D. Card
- ii. Copy of Ration card
- iii. Bonafide certificate
- iv. Hostel certificate from the warden for the students who stating in Hostel.
- v. Copy of Bank pass book
- vi. No Claim Declaration from Spouse

## **MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT**

1. <https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in/index.php/User/education>
2. Claim Forms: [https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in/template/claim\\_forms/Claim%20Education%20\(HSC\)%20form%209.pdf](https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in/template/claim_forms/Claim%20Education%20(HSC)%20form%209.pdf)
3. [https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in/template/claim\\_forms/Claim%20education%20form%2010.pdf](https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in/template/claim_forms/Claim%20education%20form%2010.pdf)



## Marriage Assistance

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### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme provides assistance to registered members in respect of marriage of members or of children.

### ELIGIBILITY

Marriage of the Member, Marriage of son or daughter of the Member

### ENTITLEMENT

Relief for	Amount - Male	Amount - Female
Marriage of the Member or Marriage of son or daughter of the Member	3000	5000

### PAPERS TO SUBMIT

1. Copy of Welfare board I.D. card
2. Copy of Ration card
3. Wedding Invitation
4. Proof of Marriage
5. Photo of the Marriage couple
6. Certificate regarding the relief assistance was not sanctioned in other Govt.
7. Ongoing schemes. (Female only)
8. Copy of Bank pass book
9. No Claim Declaration from Spouse/Self

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in/index.php/User/marriage>

Claim Form:

[https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in/template/claim\\_forms/Claim%20marriage%20form%2012.pdf](https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in/template/claim_forms/Claim%20marriage%20form%2012.pdf)



## Pregnancy and Delivery Assistance

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme provides relief or assistance to registered members in respect of pregnancy and delivery assistance.

### ELIGIBILITY

Delivery, Miscarriage and Termination

### ENTITLEMENT

Relief for	Amount
Delivery (@ Rs.1,000 per month for six months)	6000
Miscarriage	3000
Termination	3000

### PAPERS TO SUBMIT

1. Copy of Welfare board I.D. card
2. Copy of Ration card
3. Birth certificate
4. Block medical officer Certificate regarding the assistance was not sanctioned in other Govt. Schemes
5. Copy of Bank pass book
6. Doctor Certificate of Miscarriage, Termination from the Doctor concern

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in/index.php/User/delivery>

Claim Form:

[https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in//template/claim\\_forms/Claim%20pregnancy%20form%2013.pdf](https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in//template/claim_forms/Claim%20pregnancy%20form%2013.pdf)



## Build a House – only for Fisherman community (Central Scheme)

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by fisher community members from Tamil Nadu to build a house.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. The housing unit should have a minimum plinth area of 25 Sq.m including sanitation facilities.
2. Applicants should be actively involved in fishing activities.
3. Preference to be given to fishers Below Poverty Line (BPL)
4. Applicants owning kutcha houses can also be considered for providing pucca houses.
5. A cluster based development of not less than 20 houses should be adopted.
6. States/ UTs may top up with any additional benefits such as assistance for sanitation, water, Energy, etc.
7. States/ UTs shall be required to submit self contained project proposals along with documentary evidence and confirmation about availability of State budgetary allocation.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Amount/house
Construction of new house	1,20,000

### WHERE TO APPLY

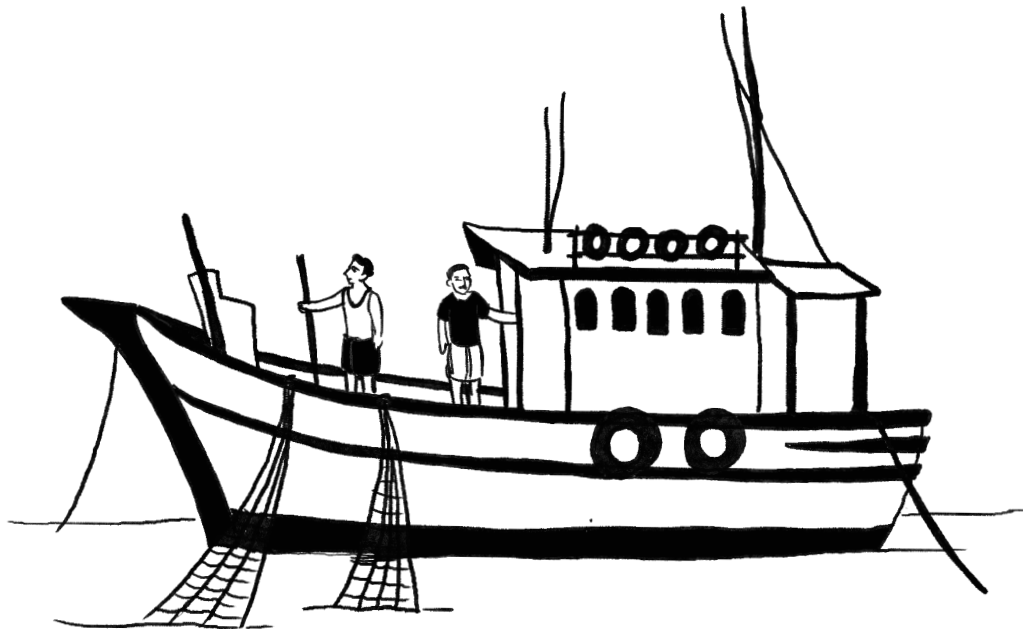
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### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/WelfareSchemes>

## **4.2**

# **MARINE FISHER ASSETS**





## Build a House – only for Fisherman community (State Scheme)

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by fisher community members from Tamil Nadu to build a house.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicants should be actively involved in fishing activities.
2. The housing unit should have a minimum plinth area of 25 Sq.m including sanitation facilities.
3. Applicants need to have Single Patta or Group Patta of the land for house construction.
4. In case of absence of Patta, then the Sale Deed Registered Document of the land can be taken into consideration by the government.
5. After getting NOC from the District collector, the house can be constructed on Govt Land as well.
6. Houses can also be built on the Lands belonging to Villages/ Places of Worship after getting due NOC from them.
7. Applicants who live in Huts/Kutcha houses can build concrete/Pucca houses in this scheme provided they don't own any concrete houses in their name.
8. Applicants should not have benefitted previously from any Govt housing schemes.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Amount/house
Construction of new house	1,70,000

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/WelfareSchemes>





## Build a Tube Well – Drinking Water Facility for Fisherman

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by fisher community members from Tamil Nadu to build a tube well.

### ELIGIBILITY

One tube-well shall be provided for each cluster of a minimum of 20 houses.

### ENTITLEMENT

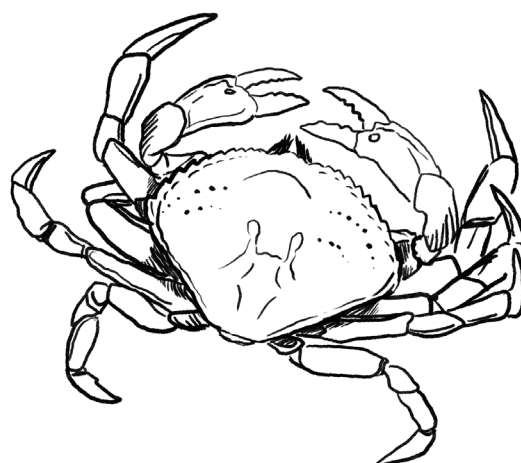
For	Amount/unit
Construction of new tube well	50,000

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/WelfareSchemes>





## Build a Community Hall for Fisherman

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by fisher community members from Tamil Nadu to build a community hall

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Clusters/ Fishers' Villages with 75 or more houses shall be eligible for a community hall for legitimate community activities.
2. The Community Hall should have a minimum plinth area of 200 sq.m.
3. Post construction maintenance/ management of the Community Hall shall be vested with the Village Panchayats/ Management of Fishers Societies/ Bodies.
4. States/UTs shall be required to submit self-contained project proposals along with necessary documents and confirmation that such community hall facilities are not available in the Cluster/ Fishers' Village.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Amount/unit
Construction of community hall	4,00,000

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/WelfareSchemes>



## Motorisation of Traditional Craft

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

Subsidy of at least 40% of the unit cost of the engine or Rs.48,000 whichever is less is being provided towards the purchase of Outboard motor (OBM)/ Inboard engine (IBE), for the traditional fishing crafts.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Fishworkers should own the traditional craft & possess a valid registration certificate under the ReALCraft (uniform registration certificate) and valid fishing license. IBM/ OBM (2-stroke and 4- stroke) of capacity up to 10 HP is allowed.
2. Central assistance shall also be provided for replacement of engines (IBM/ OBM) of more than 5 years old.
3. This assistance shall be provided to fishers only once in 5 years.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Amount (Up to)
Motorization (Including fishing gear and propeller)/craft	1,20,000
Motorization/craft	48,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Support to Traditional fishermen to buy an FRP Boat (up to 10m OAL)

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

In order to improve the income of the traditional fishermen, at least 40% subsidy for replacing the catamaran with FRP boat with outboard motor, nets and insulated ice boxes are being provided.

### ELIGIBILITY

Only Traditional/Artisanal fishermen are eligible for the benefit under this component.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Amount (Up to)
Purchase of FRP Boat (10m OAL)	4,00,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### PAPERS TO SUBMIT

1. Ownership Certificate
2. Registration Certificate under the ReALCraft
3. Fishing License and
4. Biometric ID fishers ID card.

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Providing 50% Subsidy for Fishermen to procure New Tuna Long liner-cum-Gill netter Boats

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

To support the fishers to harvest the relatively under exploited oceanic fishery resources like Tuna and Tuna-like fishes, the Government is implementing the scheme to procure new Tuna Long liner-cum-Gill Netter boats.

### ELIGIBILITY

Prior permissions from the concerned State/UT Government and other Competent Authorities for procuring Tuna liner cum GillNetter.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Amount (Up to)
Construction of new Tuna Long liner-cum-Gill netter boat	60,00,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- Fisher Share-50%
- State Government Share-50%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### PAPERS TO SUBMIT

1. Ownership Certificate
2. Registration Certificate under the ReALCraft
3. Fishing License and
4. Biometric ID fishers ID card.

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Buy Deep Sea Fishing Vessel - Palk Bay trawl fishing diversification

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

Fishing by bottom trawlers in the Palk Bay has been receiving attention as Tamil Nadu fishermen are often arrested by the Sri Lankan Navy while fishing in their traditional waters. To overcome this prolonged incarceration of fishermen and their fishing boats by the Sri Lankan Government, it has been decided to extend 70% assistance to the fishermen for diversification of trawl fishing boats from Palk Bay into Deep Sea fishing boats.

### ELIGIBILITY

The applicant in the region surrounding Palk Bay shall obtain necessary prior permissions from the concerned State/UT Government and other Competent Authorities for procuring Deep sea Fishing Vessel.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Amount (Up to)
Construction of new Deep Sea Fishing Vessel - Palk Bay trawl fishing diversification	80,00,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- Fisher Share-30%
- State Government Share-70%

### PAPERS TO SUBMIT

1. Ownership Certificate
2. Registration Certificate under the ReALCraft
3. Fishing License and
4. Biometric ID fishers ID card.

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Safety kits of fishermen at sea

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

In order to enhance and ensure the safety and security of fishermen satellite phones, GPS, communication equipment, echo-sounder, lifejackets, lifebuoys, Distress Alert Transmitter(DAT), life-saving appliances (VHF radio telephones), fish finder, backup and message receivers are provided at a subsidised rate.

(i) Safety kit shall consist of GPS, communication equipment, echo-sounder, lifejackets, lifebuoys, Distress Alert Transmitter(DAT), life-saving appliances (VHF radio telephones), fish finder, backup battery, search & rescue beacon etc.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Amount/kit
Safety Kits	2,00,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### PAPERS TO SUBMIT

1. Ownership Certificate
2. Registration Certificate under the ReALCraft
3. Fishing License and
4. Biometric ID fishers ID card.

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Start Open Sea Cage Culture

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by anyone from Tamil Nadu to start open sea cage culture in Tamil Nadu.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. The applicant shall obtain necessary prior permissions from the concerned State/ UT Government and other Competent Authorities for installation of cages in the sea.
2. Fishermen Cooperative Societies, SC/ST Cooperative Societies, Women Self Help Groups, Registered Companies of Private Entrepreneurs etc. shall be eligible for central assistance for 4 batteries of 5 cages each (20 cages) at a particular location.
3. The unit cost includes capital, operational and maintenance costs on one time basis.
4. The applicants shall be required to submit self contained project proposals together with documentary evidence of necessary permissions and technical knowhow to avail of the assistance.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Amount/cage (Up to)
Circular Cage - Minimum diameter of 6 meters and depth of 4 meters in case of each circular cage. Rectangular Cage - 96 cubic meter volume (6 m x 4 m x 4 m)	5,00,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>





## Start Seaweed Farming

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by anyone from Tamil Nadu to start seaweed farming.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. The applicant shall obtain necessary prior permissions from the concerned State/ UT Government and other Competent Authorities for installation of cages in the sea.
2. Fishermen Cooperative Societies, SC/ST Cooperative Societies, Women Self Help Groups, Registered Companies of Private Entrepreneurs etc. shall be eligible
3. The unit cost includes capital, operational and maintenance costs on one time basis.
4. The applicants shall be required to submit self contained project proposals together with documentary evidence of necessary permissions and technical knowhow to avail of the assistance.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Amount/raft
Raft of size 3m x 3m	1,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Start Bivalve Farming

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by anyone from Tamil Nadu to start bivalve farming.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. The applicant shall obtain necessary prior permissions from the concerned State/UT Government and other Competent Authorities for installation of racks.
2. Fishermen Cooperative Societies, SC/ST Cooperative Societies, Women Self Help Groups, registered Companies of Private Entrepreneurs etc. shall be eligible for central assistance for a battery of up to a maximum of 40 racks at suitable sites/ locations.
3. The unit cost includes capital, operational and maintenance costs on one time basis.
4. The applicants shall be required to submit self contained project proposals together with documentary evidence of necessary permissions and technical knowhow to avail of the assistance.
5. The proposals shall be routed through the concerned State Govt/ UT Administration with clear recommendation.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Amount/rack
Bamboo rack of size 5m x 5m	15,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Start Pearl Farming

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by anyone from Tamil Nadu to start pearl farming.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. The applicant shall obtain necessary prior permissions from the concerned State/UT Government and other Competent Authorities for installation of pearl culture rafts.
2. Fishermen Cooperative Societies, SC/ST Cooperative Societies, Women Self Help Groups, Registered Companies of Private Entrepreneurs etc. shall be eligible for central assistance for one project each group at suitable sites/ locations.
3. The unit cost includes capital, operational and maintenance costs on one time basis
4. The applicants shall be required to submit self contained project proposals together with documentary evidence of necessary permissions and technical know-how to avail of the assistance.
5. The proposals shall be routed through the concerned State Govt/UT Administration with clear recommendation.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Amount (Up to)
Pearl Culture Rafts	25,00,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>

## **4.3**

# **INLAND FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE**





## Build New Fish Pond/Tank

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by fisher community members from Tamil Nadu to build a new fish pond/tank

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicant shall provide documentary evidence of availability of requisite land free from all encumbrances and financial resources along with necessary clearances/ permissions etc. in the DPR. No funds shall be provided for the land.
2. The constructed ponds shall have a minimum water depth of 1.5m.
3. Central financial assistance shall be restricted to a maximum area of 2 ha for individual applicants, 2 ha x number of members for cooperatives/ collectives subject to viability of pond sizes and with a ceiling of 20 ha. for group/collectives. The project proposals in this category shall be routed through the concerned State /UT Government with proper recommendations.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Amount/ha (up to)
Construction of new fish pond	7,00,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Renovate Existing Ponds/Tanks

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by anyone from Tamil Nadu to renovate existing ponds/tanks.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicant shall provide documentary evidence on ownership of the existing ponds/tanks, financial resources along with necessary clearances/ permissions (if any required) etc. in the DPR.
2. Renovation/repair/de-silting of existing ponds/ tanks, other related civil works etc. may be considered for funding only after 5 years on one time basis.
3. Central financial assistance shall be restricted to a maximum area of 2 ha for individual applicants, 2 ha x number of members for cooperatives/ collectives subject to viability of pond sizes and with a ceiling of 20 ha. for group/collectives.
4. The project proposals (except for central Govt organizations/ instates) shall be routed through the concerned State/ UT Government with proper recommendations.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Amount/ha (up to)
Renovating existing fish ponds	3,50,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Buy Fish/Prawn Seed, Feed, Manure for New and Existing Ponds/Tanks

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by anyone from Tamil Nadu to buy fish/prawn seed, feed, manure for new and existing ponds/tanks.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. This input cost shall be provided for the applicant who already own a pond/tanks/ waterbodies
2. Applicants shall be provided central assistance for input costs for the initial crop only in the newly constructed/ renovated ponds/ tanks.
3. Central assistance for input cost shall be released only after the ponds/ tanks are ready for culture.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Amount/ha (up to)
Finfish Culture	1,50,000
Freshwater prawn/trout culture	2,50,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Build Raceway/Permanent farming Unit - Aquaculture

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by anyone from Tamil Nadu to build a raceway /permanent farming unit.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicants shall provide documentary evidence of availability of requisite land free from all encumbrances and financial resources along with necessary clearances/permissions etc. in the DPR. No funds shall be provided for the land.
2. Central financial assistance shall be restricted to a maximum area of 4 units for individual farmers/ applicants, 10 units for fisher cooperatives/ federations and Entrepreneurs. The project proposals in this category shall be routed through the concerned State /UT Government with proper recommendations.
3. For Central and State Government organizations/ federations/ corporations/ agencies etc financial assistance and farming units shall be decided on a case to case basis in consultation with the concerned.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Amount/ha (up to)
Raceway/Permanent farming Unit of minimum volume of 50 m <sup>3</sup>	2,00,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>





## Buy Boats & Gear - Inland Fisheries

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

Boats of appropriate sizes for inland fisheries, including fishing nets, fish & ice holding boxes etc. are provided by the govt. of Tamil Nadu at subsidised rates.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicants should provide documentary evidence of availability valid fishing licenses issued by the competent authority.
2. The project proposals of individual applicant (consolidated), cooperatives/ collectives shall be routed through the concerned State/ UT Government with proper recommendations.
3. Applicant shall also produce the documentary evidence of availability of fishing rights/ permissions in the reservoirs/tanks etc. from the competent authorities
4. For Central and State Government organizations/ federations/ corporations/ agencies etc. financial assistance shall be decided on a case to case basis in consultation with the concerned.
5. The fishing craft/boats may also be shared by a group of fishers/ collectives.
6. Applicants shall abide by the fishing regulations (if any) on use of size & type of boat/ craft and nets etc.
7. Central assistance shall also be provided for replacement of existing boats of more than 5 years old.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Amount (Up to)
Purchase of Inland Fishing Boats and Gear	1,00,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Build landing Centres, Net mending Shed - Inland Fisheries

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by anyone from Tamil Nadu to build landing centres, net mending shed for inland fisheries.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicant shall provide documentary evidence of availability of requisite land free from all encumbrances and financial resources, necessary clearances/ permissions etc. with full technical details of the landing centre in the DPR. No funds shall be provided for the land.
2. The project proposals of cooperatives/ collectives shall be routed through the concerned State/ UT Government with proper recommendations.
3. For Central and State Government organizations/ federations/ corporations/ agencies etc., financial assistance shall be decided on

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Amount/shed (Up to)
Building a Landing Centre/ Net Mending Shed	4,00,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

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## Development of Waterlogged Areas

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

One of the components approved under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on “Development of Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture” is development of waterlogged areas.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicants shall provide documentary evidence of availability of requisite land free from all encumbrances and financial resources along with necessary clearances/permissions etc. in the DPR. No funds shall be provided for the land.
2. Central financial assistance shall be restricted to a maximum area of 5 ha for individual applicants, 5 ha x number of members for cooperatives/ collectives subject to viability of pond sizes. The project proposals in this category shall be routed through the concerned State/ UT Government with proper recommendations
3. For Central and State Government organizations/ federations/ corporations/ agencies etc. financial assistance for quantum of hectareage shall be decided on a case to case basis in consultation with the concerned.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Lakh/ha (Up to)
Development of Waterlogged Areas	5,00,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

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## Development of Reservoirs

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

One of the components approved under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on “Development of Inland Fisheries and Aquaculture” is development of reservoirs

### ELIGIBILITY

1. This component will be implemented by NFDB with a commercial approach.
2. Applicant shall submit self contained Detailed Project Report (DPR) with full justification & technical details etc.
3. Applicants shall provide documentary evidence of availability of requisite land free from all encumbrances, financial resources, necessary clearances/ permissions & fishing rights etc. in the DPR. No funds shall be provided for the land.
4. The DPRs shall also contain details of anticipated direct & indirect employment generation, enhancement of fish production and productivity, improvement of economic status of locals, specific timelines for the implementation of the project etc.
5. The project proposals of cooperatives/ collectives/ omnibus/ entrepreneurs shall be submitted to NFDB.
6. For Central and State Government organizations/ federations/ corporations/ agencies etc., financial assistance shall be decided on a case to case basis in consultation with the concerned.
7. The central funds will be provided as a back-end subsidy.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Per project (Up to)
Development of Waterlogged Areas	2,00,00,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Buy Cage/Pens with inputs for Reservoirs/Open Water Bodies

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This State & Central Govt scheme can be availed by anyone from Tamil Nadu to buy cage/pens with inputs for reservoirs/ open water bodies.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. This component will be implemented by NFDB with a commercial approach.
2. The project proposals of cooperatives/ collectives/ omnibus/ entrepreneurs shall be submitted to NFDB.
3. The applicant shall obtain necessary prior permissions from the concerned State/ UT Government and other Competent Authorities for installation of cages in reservoirs and other water bodies.
4. Fishermen Cooperative Societies, SC/ ST Cooperative Societies, Women Self Help Groups, Registered Entrepreneurs etc. shall be eligible for back ended subsidy for a maximum of 4 batteries of 6 cages each (24 cages) at a particular location.
5. For Central and State Government organizations/ federations/ corporations/ agencies etc., the number of cages & quantum of financial assistance shall be decided on a case to case basis in consultation with the concerned.
6. The unit cost includes capital, operational and maintenance costs on one time basis.
7. The applicants shall be required to submit self contained project proposals together with documentary evidence of necessary clearances, permissions etc. to avail of the assistance.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Per cage (Up to)
Including installation and inputs for first crop)	3,00,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Stock Fish Fingerlings in Beels / Wetland

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by anyone from Tamil Nadu to stock fish fingerlings in beels/ wetlands.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicant shall provide documentary evidence of availability of requisite wetland/ (beels, jeels, chauras etc.) free from all encumbrances and financial resources along with necessary clearances/ permissions etc. in the DPR. No funds shall be provided for the land.
2. Central financial assistance shall be restricted to a maximum area of 2 ha for individual applicants, 2 ha x number of members for cooperatives/ collectives. The project proposals in this category shall be routed through the concerned State/ UT Government with proper recommendations.
3. For Central and State Government organizations/ federations/ corporations/ agencies etc. financial assistance for quantum of hectareage shall be decided on a case to case basis in consultation with the concerned applicant.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Up to
Stock Fish Fingerlings in Wetlands	2,50,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Build Fish feed Mills/Plants

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by anyone from Tamil Nadu to build fish feed mills/plants.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicants shall submit self contained Detailed Project Report (DPR) with full justification & technical details of the plant etc.
2. Applicants shall provide documentary evidence of availability of requisite land free from all encumbrances, financial resources, necessary clearances/ permissions etc. in the DPR. No funds shall be provided for the land.
3. Applicant organizations shall ensure supply of fish feed produced from the central funded feed mill plants to farmers at affordable/ reasonable price.
4. Post construction operation, management and maintenance of the feed mills shall be carried out in a satisfactory manner by the applicant at their own costs.
5. The project proposals of cooperatives/ collectives/ entrepreneurs shall be routed through the concerned State/ UT Government with proper recommendations.
6. The Central and State Government organizations/ federations/ corporations/ agencies etc., shall submit the proposals directly to DADF and the financial assistance shall be decided on a case to case basis in consultation with the concerned.
7. NFDB shall also directly set up the feed mill plants with commercial approach at suitable locations.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Per unit (Up to)
Building a Fish feed plant	10,00,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Build Formulated Fish Pellet Feed Plant

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by anyone from Tamil Nadu to build formulated fish pellet feed plant.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. This component will be implemented by NFDB with a commercial approach.
2. The project proposals of cooperatives/ collectives/ omnibus/ entrepreneurs shall be submitted to NFDB. The central assistance to these agencies will be provided as a back-end subsidy.
3. Applicants shall submit self contained Detailed Project Report (DPR) with full justification & technical details of the plant etc.
4. Applicant shall provide documentary evidence of availability of requisite land free from all encumbrances, financial resources, necessary clearances/ permissions etc. in the DPR. No funds shall be provided for the land.
5. Applicant organisations shall ensure supply of fish feed produced from the central funded feed mill plants to farmers at affordable/ reasonable price.
6. Post construction operation, management and maintenance of the feed mills shall be carried out in a satisfactory manner by the applicants at their own costs.
7. The Central and State Government organizations/ federations/ corporations/ agencies etc., shall submit the proposals directly to NFDB and the financial assistance shall be decided on case to case basis in consultation with the concerned.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Per unit (Up to)
Build Formulated Fish Pellet Feed Plant	2,00,00,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## **4.4 TRAININGS**





## Skill Development programme for Marine & Inland Fishers

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This is a free training programme implemented by the Department of Fisheries for the Marine and Inland Fisher community of Tamil Nadu to improve livelihood and pursue better employment opportunities.

### ELIGIBILITY

Fisher Youth

### ENTITLEMENT

Marine training - The capture fisheries cum primary processing training has been completed for 23 batches of 1200 fisher youths for free
Inland training - The capture fisherman cum primary processing training completed for 5 batches of 250 fisher youths for free
Application Fee: Free
No of Batches per year - 60
Students per batch - 50
Training Duration - 3 Days

### WHEN TO APPLY:

The training programme is conducted by the Additional Director of Fisheries on a need basis. The application will be received by the concerned Districts ADF office around the year.

### HOW TO APPLY

1. E-mail queries to [jdrfisheries2@gmail.com](mailto:jdrfisheries2@gmail.com) & [tnfisheries@tn.nic.in](mailto:tnfisheries@tn.nic.in)
2. Inquire with Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/FreeTraining>



## Indian Civil Service Exams Training

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### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This is a free training programme for fisher youth wishing to join the Indian Civil Service. Special Coaching will be provided for free to the Graduates of the Fisher community in Anna Institute of Management to assist them in cracking the Indian Civil Service competitive Exams. So far, under this scheme, 40 students were trained for free.

### ELIGIBILITY

Graduates belonging to Fisher Communities

### ENTITLEMENT

Application Fee: Free
No of Batches per year - 1
Students per batch - 20
Training Duration - 6 Months

### WHEN TO APPLY:

October-November every year

### HOW TO APPLY

1. E-mail queries to [jdrfisheries2@gmail.com](mailto:jdrfisheries2@gmail.com) & [tnfisheries@tn.nic.in](mailto:tnfisheries@tn.nic.in)
2. Inquire with Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department before month of application

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/FreeTraining>



## Indian Navy & Coast Guard Exam Training

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### ABOUT THE SCHEME

Towards providing employment opportunities and alternative livelihoods to youth involved in Fishing, this is a free training programme conducted for children from fisher communities to join the Indian Navy & Coast Guard. So far under this scheme, 145 youths have been trained.

### ELIGIBILITY

12th Pass Children belonging to Fisher Communities

### ENTITLEMENT

Application Fee: Free
No of Batches per year - 6
Students per batch - 50
Training Duration - 3 Months

### HOW TO APPLY

1. E-mail queries to [jdrfisheries2@gmail.com](mailto:jdrfisheries2@gmail.com) & [tnfisheries@tn.nic.in](mailto:tnfisheries@tn.nic.in)
2. Inquire with Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department before month of application

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/FreeTraining>



## Marine Equipments & Seamanship Training

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

1. This is a free training programme conducted for the Marine Equipments & Seamanship by State & Central Govt and implemented by the Department of Fisheries for the Fisherman community of Tamil Nadu.
2. In collaboration with CIFNET, the special training programme on 'Elements of Seamanship & Navigation, Marine Electronic Equipment, Operation, and Maintenance of Engines' will be provided to fishermen.

### ELIGIBILITY

Marine Fishermen with experience in mechanized fishing boats

### ENTITLEMENT

The course includes training on Seamanship Navigation, Marine Communication and Fishing finding Equipment, Inboard Engine Principles and Maintenance, Electrical Marine Equipment Troubleshooting, Code of conduct of Responsible Fisheries, Hygienic handling of fish onboard, landing centers and in Harbours, Search and Rescue Principles and First Aid.

Application Fee: Free

No of Batches per year - As per request

Students per batch - 50

Training Duration - 5 Days

### WHEN TO APPLY:

Throughout the year

### HOW TO APPLY

1. E-mail queries to [jdrfisheries2@gmail.com](mailto:jdrfisheries2@gmail.com) & [tnfisheries@tn.nic.in](mailto:tnfisheries@tn.nic.in)
2. Inquire with Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department before month of application

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/FreeTraining>



## Aquaculture Skill Development programme by NFDB

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

NFDB conducts Skill Development Programme on Community Tank Management for enhancing fish production, catfish culture and seed production, Recirculatory Aquaculture System (RAS) and Marine Finfish seed rearing in ponds.

### ELIGIBILITY

Fish farmers - Fishermen and Fisherwomen

### ENTITLEMENT

Application Fee: Free
No of Batches per year - 16
Students per batch - 50
Training Duration - 3 Days

### WHEN TO APPLY:

The training programme is conducted by the Additional Director of Fisheries on a need basis. The application will be received by the concerned Districts ADF office around the year.

### HOW TO APPLY

E-mail queries to [jdrfisheries2@gmail.com](mailto:jdrfisheries2@gmail.com) & [tnfisheries@tn.nic.in](mailto:tnfisheries@tn.nic.in)

Inquire with Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department before month of application

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/FreeTraining>



## Seaweed culture training for Fisherwomen in Ramanthapuram

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This is a training programme conducted for Seaweed culture for fisherwomen in the Ramanthapuram district.

### ELIGIBILITY

Fisherwomen groups of Ramanathapuram district

### ENTITLEMENT

Training will be provided on Seaweed culture technologies to be taken up by fisherwomen of Ramanathapuram district. Under 1st phase 750 fisherwomen have been trained.
Application Fee: Minimal (contact AD office for info)
No of Batches per year - 30
Fishers per batch - 50
Training Duration - 3 Days

### WHEN TO APPLY:

The training programme is conducted by the Additional Director of Fisheries on a need basis. The application will be received by the concerned Districts ADF office around the year.

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/FreeTraining>



## Inland Fish culture training under Tamil Nadu Irrigated Agriculture Modernization Project (TNIAMP)

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This is a free training programme conducted for Inland Fish culture to improve awareness regarding Inland Fish Culture practices.

### ELIGIBILITY

Farmers/Inland Fish Farmers.

### ENTITLEMENT

The fishers engaging in Aquaculture in Farm pond, Cage rearing of fish seed, Earthen fish seed rearing cum culture farm, Cage farming of fish and Fish culture in irrigation tanks under TN-IAM project are mostly agriculture farmers/ Water User Association members. So far more than 526 fishers have been trained under this programme.

Application Fee: Free

No of Batches per year - One Batch/ District / Year

Fishers per batch - As per request

Training Duration - 1 Day

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/FreeTraining>



## **4.5**

# **FISH MARKETING**





## Buy Insulated Fish & Ice Holding Boxes (Only for Traditional/Artisanal Fisherman)

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme is implemented for the benefit of fishers looking to purchase Insulated Fish & Ice Holding Boxes. Financial assistance shall be limited to a maximum of 2 insulated fish and ice holding boxes of 500 kg - 1000 kgs capacity respectively for each FRP boat.

### ELIGIBILITY

Only Traditional/Artisanal fishermen are eligible for the benefit under this component.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Amount/boat (Up to)
Purchase of insulated Ice Box of 500 - 1000 kgs	25,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### PAPERS TO SUBMIT

1. Ownership Certificate
2. Registration Certificate under the ReALCraft
3. Fishing License and
4. Biometric ID fishers ID card.

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Buy Auto rickshaw/Motorcycle/Bicycle with Ice box

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by anyone from Tamil Nadu to buy an auto rickshaw/motorcycle/bicycle with an ice box.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Maintenance & operational costs of the fish transport vehicles shall be met by the applicants at their own cost.
2. The Government of India shall not be responsible for any losses incurred on procurement, operation, maintenance and management of the fish transport facilities.
3. Applicants should ensure that fish transport facilities are maintained in operational condition.
4. Applicants shall abide by rules/regulations, if any imposed by the concerned State/UT as well as Central Government on maintenance & operation of the fish transport facilities.
5. Applicants shall ensure that the fish transport vehicles/facilities procured under the scheme will be used only for transport of fish and fisheries related items and not for any other purposes.
6. In case, it is found at any point of time that the fish transport vehicles procured under the scheme are used for other than the fisheries purposes, the Government of India will recover the entire central assistance with interest from the applicant.
7. Applicants will display permanently to the effect that the fish transport vehicle is procured with financial assistance from the Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Per unit (Up to)
Auto rickshaw with icebox	2,00,000
Motorcycle rickshaw with icebox	60,000
Bicycle rickshaw with icebox	3000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

**MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:** <https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Buy Refrigerated Truck/Container

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by anyone from Tamil Nadu to buy refrigerated truck/ container.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Maintenance & operational costs of the fish transport vehicles shall be met by the applicants at their own cost.
2. The Government of India shall not be responsible for any losses incurred on procurement, operation, maintenance and management of the fish transport facilities.
3. Applicants should ensure that fish transport facilities are maintained in operational condition.
4. Applicants shall abide by rules/regulations, if any imposed by the concerned State/UT as well as Central Government on maintenance & operation of the fish transport facilities.
5. Applicants shall ensure that the fish transport vehicles/facilities procured under the scheme will be used only for transport of fish and fisheries related items and not for any other purposes.
6. In case, it is found at any point of time that the fish transport vehicles procured under the scheme are used for other than the fisheries purposes, the Government of India will recover the entire central assistance with interest from the Applicant.
7. Applicants will display permanently to the effect that the fish transport vehicle is procured with financial assistance from the Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Per unit (Up to)
Refrigerated Truck 10 tonne	25,00,000
Insulated Truck 10 tonne	20,00,000
Insulated Truck 6 tonne	15,00,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

**MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:** <https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Build Ice Plant or Cold Storage, Ice plant cum Cold Storage

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by anyone from Tamil Nadu to build ice plants or cold storage, ice plants cum cold storage.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicant shall provide documentary evidence of availability of requisite land free from all encumbrances and financial resources along with necessary clearances/ permissions etc. in the DPR. No funds shall be provided for the land.
2. Cost estimates shall be based on the latest SoRs admissible in the project area and prevailing market rates.
3. The applicant shall certify that all operational and maintenance costs of the infrastructure facilities shall be borne by them in future.
4. The applicant shall submit self contained proposals together with documentary evidence in respect of (i) to (ii) above.
5. The proposal shall be routed through the concerned State Governments/ UTs with clear recommendation.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Per unit (Up to)
Build Ice Plant or Cold Storage	2,50,000/Tonne. 100,00,00,000/Plant

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Renovation/Modernization of existing Ice Plant or Cold Storage

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This is a State & Central Govt Scheme implemented by the Department of Fisheries for the benefit of people of Tamil Nadu. This scheme can be availed by anyone from Tamil Nadu for renovation/ modernization of existing ice plant or cold storage.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. The broad items for renovation/modernization of the existing plants shall include civil works of the existing building, replacement of plants & machineries, electrification & water supply & sanitation works etc., with a view to enhance the efficacy of the existing plant.
2. The applicant should have the ownership of the existing infrastructure plant/facilities.
3. Renovation/modernization of existing & operational plants of minimum 10 years old only may be considered for funding on one time basis.
4. The applicant should clearly indicate the source of balance funding for the project.
5. Cost estimates shall be based on the latest SoRs admissible in the project area and prevailing market rates.
6. The applicant shall confirm that all operational and maintenance costs of the modernized plant/infrastructure facility shall be borne by them.
7. The applicant shall submit self contained proposals together with documentary evidence in respect of (ii) to (vi) above.
8. The proposals shall be routed through the concerned State Governments/ UTs with clear recommendation.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Per unit (Up to)
Renovation of Ice Plant	1,50,000/Tonne 60,00,000/Plant

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

**MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:** <https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Build a Retail Fish Shop/Kiosk

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This is a State & Central Govt Scheme implemented by the Department of Fisheries for the benefit of people of Tamil Nadu. This scheme can be availed by anyone from Tamil Nadu to build a retail fish shop/kiosk.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicants shall provide documentary evidence of availability of requisite land (wherever required) free from all encumbrances and financial resources along with necessary clearances/ permissions (wherever required) etc. in the DPR. No funds shall be provided for the land.
2. Cost estimate for construction of fish retail outlet/kiosk shall be based on the latest SoRs admissible in the project area, and cost estimate for mobile outlet shall be based on prevailing market rates.
3. The post-construction operational and maintenance costs of the fish retail outlet/kiosk/mobile fish retail outlet shall be borne by the Applicant.
4. (iv) The applicants shall submit self contained proposals together with documentary evidence in respect of (i) to (iii) above.
5. The proposals shall be routed through the concerned State Governments/ UTs with clear recommendation.
6. Fish retail outlet/kiosk shall be of a minimum floor area of 100 Sq.ft (static).
7. Priority shall be given to SCs / STs/ women / unemployed youth.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Per unit (Up to)
Build a Retail Fish Shop/Kiosk	10,00,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Micro credits for fish vending fisherwomen

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by fishing community women wishing to avail microcredits for fish vending

### ELIGIBILITY

1. 5 fisherwomen are to open a joint account with TAFCOFED Project Officers.
2. The fisherwomen gets Rs 15,000 /- for a lock in period of 1 year and can sell fish in baskets, or set up fresh fish or dry fish stalls
3. Weekly once, the fisherwomen will have to pay back Rs 350/- per head for a period of 52 weeks to Project Officer.
4. After 1 year, the fisherwoman can renew the scheme.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Per unit (Up to)
Fish market of 10 unit retail outlets	75,000/Group 15,000/Head

### WHERE TO APPLY

Fishers can apply for the scheme with Project Officers of TAFCOFED through the office of the Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department.

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>





## Develop Integrated Cold Chain Storage/Transport system

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by anyone from Tamil Nadu to develop integrated cold chain storage/transport system.

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicants shall submit self contained Detailed Project Report (DPR) with full justification & technical details.
2. Applicants shall provide documentary evidence of availability of requisite land free from all encumbrances, financial resources, necessary clearances/ permissions (wherever required) etc. in the DPR. No funds shall be provided for the land.
3. Post construction operation, management and maintenance of the integrated cold chain infrastructure facilities shall be carried out in a satisfactory manner by the applicants at their own costs.
4. The project proposals of cooperatives/ collectives/entrepreneurs shall be routed through the concerned State /UT Government with proper recommendations.
5. The Central and State Government organizations/ federations/ corporations/ agencies etc., shall submit the proposals directly to NFDB and the financial assistance shall be decided on a case to case basis in consultation with the concerned.
6. NFDB shall set up and manage the integrated cold chain infrastructure facilities with commercial approach at suitable location.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Per unit (Up to)
Integrated Cold Chain Storage/ Transport System	500,00,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Build a Retail Fish Market

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by anyone from Tamil Nadu to build a retail fish market .

### ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicants shall provide documentary evidence of availability of requisite land free from all encumbrances and financial resources along with necessary clearances/permissions etc. in the DPR. No funds shall be provided for the land.
2. The applicant shall complete the planning, designing of the market facilities and cost estimates etc. through professionals in the subject.
3. Cost estimates shall be based on the latest SoRs admissible in the project area and prevailing market rates.
4. The post-construction operational and maintenance costs of the infrastructure facility shall be borne by the applicants
5. The applicant shall submit self contained proposals together with documentary evidence in respect of (i) to (iv) above.
6. Applicants shall confirm that all operational and maintenance costs of the modernized plant/infrastructure facility shall be borne by them.
7. The proposals shall be routed through the concerned State Governments/ UTs with clear recommendation.
8. NFDB shall take up development and management of fish markets on a commercial approach at feasible locations.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Per unit (Up to)
Fish market of 10 unit retail outlets	100,00,000
Fish market of 20 unit retail outlets	200,00,000
Fish market of 50 unit retail outlets	500,00,000

### FUNDING PATTERN

- General category Fisher share - 60%
- SC/ST/Women Cooperatives Fisher share - 40%

### WHERE TO APPLY

Assistant Director of Fisheries Office, Fisheries Department

**MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:** <https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>



## Open 'Meengal' Fish Stall Franchise

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

This scheme can be availed by anyone from Tamil Nadu to open TNFDC/ TAFCOFED Fish stall franchise.

### ENTITLEMENT

1. Filled in application along with ID Proof, Address Proof, Aadhaar Details, Bank Statement and Photo of the Individual will be scrutinized by the Committee nominated by the Managing Director, TNFDC Ltd.
2. The space / shop (not less than 150 Sq Ft.) identified by the individual will be inspected for its viability as regards to the Water Supply, Drainage, ambience etc.
3. For mobile outlets, the vehicle should be similar to that of one being used by TNFDC Ltd.
4. Based on the provisional appointment order given, the Franchise has to deposit Rs.50,000/- as refundable Security Deposit with TNFDC which does not bear any interest.
5. The Daily fish Stock will be supplied to the Franchise Outlet by TNFDC by TNFDC owned transportation vehicle.
6. The Franchisee has to receive the daily Stock and make spot payment after deducting 20% on the Sales Value of the Stock Received.
7. Ice in crushed form will be supplied in the ratio of 1:1 by TNFDC Ltd. In addition to the sale of the fish, the Franchisee also has to sell value-added fishery products supplied by TNFDC on commission basis @ 20%.

### WHERE TO APPLY

Interested Individuals/Entrepreneurs should submit the filled in application at the below address

TAMIL NADU FISHERIES DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED  
Integrated Office Complex for Animal Husbandry & Fisheries Department,  
No.571, 4th Floor, Anna Salai, Nandanam, Chennai – 600 035.  
Ph. No: 044-24364901

### MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT

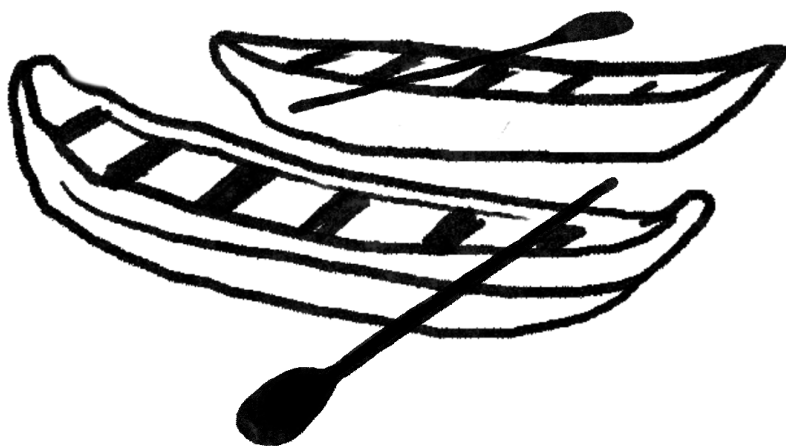
<https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/StartABusiness>

Franchise Stall Application Form:

[https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/includes/assets/cms\\_uploads/pdf/downloadforms/Meengal\\_Franchise\\_Terms\\_Conditions\\_-\\_Final\\_1377.pdf](https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/includes/assets/cms_uploads/pdf/downloadforms/Meengal_Franchise_Terms_Conditions_-_Final_1377.pdf)

## **4.6**

### **OTHER SCHEMES**





## Kisan Credit Card

### ABOUT THE SCHEME

The scheme is available for short term credit requirements of capture of fish and farming of shrimps and other aquatic organisms by fishers, Self Help Groups, Joint Liability Groups and women groups. Beneficiaries who own or lease registered fishing boat, possess necessary fishing license, or have permission for fishing in estuary and sea, carry out fish farming, mariculture activities in estuaries and open sea and other allied activities are eligible.

### ENTITLEMENT

For	Up to
Loans with and without interest subvention	2,00,000
Loan available for	5 Years
Repayment	Every Year
Interest Rate	7%
For prompt repaying borrowers, effective interest rate charged to borrower is further reduced	4 %

### OTHER INFORMATION

Processing Charges*	
Up to ₹50,000/-	Nil
Between ₹50,000/- ₹1,00,000	Rs.200+GST
Between ₹1,50,000/- ₹3,00,000	Rs.250+ GST per lakh or part thereof
Security*	
Primary security of assets created by credit facility extended to the borrower, including animal/fish/stocks of seed, feed and assets created out of bank finance.	Upto ₹1,60,000/-
Collateral security by way of Mortgage (or) Gold (Collateral security is any other security offered for the said credit facility. For example, of jewellery, mortgage of house)	Above ₹1,60,000/- -

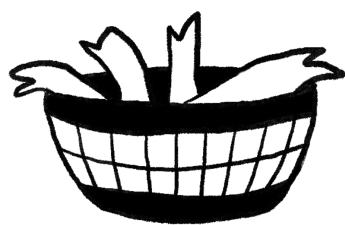
\*Some of these details will change from bank to bank.

## **DOCUMENTS REQUIRED**

1. Application Form
2. Two Passport Size Photographs.
3. ID proof such as Driving License/ Aadhar Card/ Voter Identity Card/ Passport.
4. Address Proof such as voter ID card, Driving License, Aadhar Card .
5. Proof of owning or leased fishing vessel, land, etc., duly certified by the competent authorities.
6. Proof of poultry/fishery/dairy/pig rearing/sheep rearing/ goat rearing activity.
7. Any other document as per sanction.

## **WHERE TO APPLY**

Nearest Branch offices of SBI Bank (Preferred for lower charges), Union Bank, Tamil Nadu Grama Bank and other regional banks.



# **ANNEXURE 1 — LIST OF KEY OFFICIALS**

## **ADF - Ramanathapuram (North)**

Office of the Assistant Director of Fisheries,  
Ramanathapuram.

Pincode : 623503

Email : adfnorthrmd@gmail.com

Land Line : 04567-230355

Mobile Number : 9384824269

## **ADF - Ramanathapuram (South)**

Office of the Assistant Director of Fisheries,  
Ramanathapuram.

Pincode : 623503

Email : adfsouthrmd@gmail.com

Land Line : 04567-230402

Mobile Number : 9384824270

## **ADF - Rameshwaram**

Office of the Assistant Director of Fisheries,  
Sangumal Beach, Olaikuda Rd,  
Rameswaram. Pincode : 623526

Email : adframeswaramnew@gmail.com

Landline : 04573-221231

Mobile Number : 9384824272



# **ANNEXURE 2 — APPLICATION FORMS**

## **Link to Fisheries Department Page with Application Forms**

- <https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/DownloadForm>

## **Fisher Registration Form:**

- [https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/includes/assets/cms\\_uploads/pdf/downloadforms/Application for Registration FormI 3544.pdf](https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/includes/assets/cms_uploads/pdf/downloadforms/Application%20for%20Registration%20FormI%203544.pdf)

## **Meengal Fish Franchise Stall**

- [https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/includes/assets/cms\\_uploads/pdf/downloadforms/Meengal Franchise Terms Conditions - Final 1377.pdf](https://www.fisheries.tn.gov.in/includes/assets/cms_uploads/pdf/downloadforms/Meengal%20Franchise%20Terms%20Conditions%20-%20Final%201377.pdf)

## **TNFWB Education Support Claim Forms:**

- [https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in//template/claim\\_forms/Claim%20Education%20\(HSC\)%20form%209.pdf](https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in//template/claim_forms/Claim%20Education%20(HSC)%20form%209.pdf)
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## **TNFWB Marriage Support Claim Form**

- [https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in//template/claim\\_forms/Claim%20marriage%20form%2012.pdf](https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in//template/claim_forms/Claim%20marriage%20form%2012.pdf)

## **TNFWB Pregnancy/Delivery Support Claim Form**

- [https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in//template/claim\\_forms/Claim%20pregnancy%20form%2013.pdf](https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in//template/claim_forms/Claim%20pregnancy%20form%2013.pdf)

## **TNFWB Death Support Claim Form**

- [https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in//template/claim\\_forms/Claim%20death%20form%207.pdf](https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in//template/claim_forms/Claim%20death%20form%207.pdf)

## **TNFWB Funeral Support Claim Form:**

- [https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in//template/claim\\_forms/Claim%20funeral%20form%208.pdf](https://tnfwb.tn.gov.in//template/claim_forms/Claim%20funeral%20form%208.pdf)



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