



Sunrise Industries (very important topic for CCE)

India's fisheries sector has witnessed a remarkable transformation, marked by strategic investments and innovative policies. Recognising the sector as a cornerstone of the nation's economy, the Prime Minister has championed the cause of sustainable and inclusive growth through initiatives like the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) and the newly launched Pradhan Mantri Matsya Kisan Samridhi Sah-Yojana (PM-MKSSY).

Assam scenario:

Assam has seen a significant increase in fish production by over 33 per cent in the last five years. However, despite this growth, the state still depends on other regions to meet its fish demand, driven by a consumption rate of 25 per cent per capita. According to data from the Directorate of Fisheries, Assam produced 2.82 lakh tonnes of fish in 2015-16, which increased to 4.43 lakh tonnes by 2023-24. The state, however, had to purchase 2.6 lakh tonnes of fish in the last financial year,



marking a 116 per cent increase from 2018-19, when it bought 1.2 lakh tonnes of fish.

The state ranks 12th and 7th in inland fish production nationally. The increase in fish production is largely attributed to improved farming practices, a rise in fish farmers, and expanded farming areas. Assam is also the country's third-largest fish seed producer, with 18,219 million fry produced in 2021-22.

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