Financial Assistance for Purchase of Life Jackets and Lifebuoys for the Fishing Vessels



The Department has introduced this scheme for providing safety equipments for the Goan Fishermen at sea, so as to face the uncertainties in earning their livelihood.

The main objective of this scheme is to grant relief to the Fishermen at the sea, by providing safety measures to protect their lives, during the rough sea/cyclonic storms or otherwise, for which the State Government has made it mandatory for all the fishing vessels to carry Life jackets, lifebuoys, so as to enable them to stay afloat in the water till rescue operation starts.

Eligibility:

- 1. All the fishing vessels registered with the Department of Fisheries shall be eligible to avail the benefits of this scheme.
- 2. These fishing vessels shall be eligible for Financial Assistance under the scheme after every five years.
- 3. The Fishermen shall not be a defaulter of the Department.
- 4. The Fishermen violating the provision of the MFR Act shall not be eligible for the benefits for the first two years from the date of violation and will be fined as per the provision of Marine Fishing Regulation (MFR) Rule, 1981.

How to Avail:

The beneficiary has to obtain their prescribed application form from the office of the Directorate of Fisheries, Panaji, Block Development Officer of respective Taluka/Fisheries Surveyor of Fisheries working in the concerned Panchayat. The form duly filled has to be forwarded to the F. O./F. S.of Fisheries Department.

The items are supplied by the Department.

The scheme shall be implemented to all the fishing vessels mechanized and non-mechanized who are registered with the Department under the Goa Daman and Diu Marine Fishing Regulation Act, 1980 and M. S. Act, 1958.

Extent of Subsidy:

Financial Assistance to the tune of 75% of the cost of life jackets/lifebuoys shall be provided by the State Government to the eligible Fishermen for the following equipments upto the cost of maximum Rs. 1,000/- (Rupees one thousand only) per Life Jacket and Rs. 1,500/- (Rupees one thousand five hundred only) per Lifebuoys.

- a. Five Life Jackets and one Lifebuoy shall be provided to canoe fitted with OBM.
- b. Eight Life jackets and two Lifebuoys shall be provided for the mechanized trawlers engaged in trawling operation.
- c. Twenty Five Life Jackets and four Lifebuoys shall be provided to mechanized trawlers engaged in purse seining operation.

Check list for the scheme

- i. Application form
- ii. V.R.C. Copy

Application to obtain subsidy on purchase of Life Saving Jackets and Life **Bouys** 1. Name of the Applicant: 2. Name of the Father/Husband/wife: 3. Age of the Applicant: 4. Address of the Applicant: a) House no: b) Ward/Wado: c) Village: d) Taluka: e) District: 5. Whether belongs to SC/ST: 6. Registration Number of Fishing Vessel: 7. Name of the Tandel: 8. Name of the Fishing Vessel/Canoe: 9. Type of Net Used for Fishing: 10. No. of Life Jackets required: 11. No. of Lifebuoys required: 12. Copy of VRC to be enclosed: **DECLARATION** I hereby declare that the particulars given above are true and correct to the best of my knowledge & belief and also declare that I will keep the life saving jackets and lifebuoys on the fishing vessel while venturing in sea. In case the information furnished by me is found to be false then I undertake that the application is liable to be rejected and subsidy released (if any) shall be recovered. Date: Signature of applicant

Place:

Verified by:

Seal & Signature of FS/FO

Remark of FS/FO