Mauritius Budget 2024/25 Highlights

FISHERIES



BUDGET PROVISIONS



Provision of a one-off grant of Rs 50,000 to registered fishers for renewal of outboard motors



Installation of a second layer of Fish Aggregating Devices across the island



Allocation of Rs 10 million for the placement of marker buovs



Setting up modern fish markets in the regions of Mahébourg, Grand Baie, Baie du Cap, and Trou d'eau Douce, and constructing a fisheries post at Saint Brandon for monitoring of bank fishers



Duty free facilities to registered artisanal fishers for the acquisition of a 4 by 4 vehicle

GRANTS AND SCHEMES



Purchase of hooks and fishing materials

2023/24

2024/25

Rs 2500

Rs 3500



Purchase of materials to construct fish trap

Rs 5000

Rs 7500



Daily Bad Weather Allowance

Rs 650

Rs 800



Death grant provided to families of fishers lost at sea

Rs 200,000

Rs 300,000

SUPPORT TO FISHERS

CANOTTE SCHEME Rs 300,000 per beneficiary **PURCHASE OF SEMI-INDUSTRIAL FISHING BOATS** Rs 6 million to cooperatives

LUMP SUM TO ARTISANAL FISHERS AGED 65 YEARS AND ABOVE RETURNING THEIR LICENSES Rs 125.000

COMPENSATION FOR NET	Individuals	Cooperatives
FISHERS RETURNING THEIR		
FISHING LICENSES	Rs 125,000	Rs 250,000

NEW GRANTS AND SCHEMES

PURCHASE OF SEMI-INDUSTRIAL FISHING BOATS

Grant of Rs 1 million to individual fishers

IN CASE OF DEATH OF THE FISHER

Rs 200,000 paid to heirs

DBM WRITE-OFF LONG OUTSTANDING LOANS

Extended to June 2025

UN SUPPORT

The EU-funded ECOFISH project is implemented by UNDP in collaboration with the Ministry of Blue Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries and Shipping, and the Rodrigues Regional Assembly.

- Sensitization of artisanal fishers, including youth and women, on best fishing practices and reducing post-harvest waste
- Deployment of modern Fish Aggregating Devices (FADs)
 equipped with satellite buoys and biomass sensors to enhance
 fishing efficiency
- Development of user-friendly App "RodMoFad" for effective planning of fishing trips
- Comprehensive training sessions for fishers on FAD utilization, GPS navigation, biomass data interpretation, sustainable longlining practices, fish hygiene, processing techniques, and marketing strategies
- Installation of solar-powered ice-making machines and construction of cold rooms utilizing solar absorption chiller technology to improve fish storage capabilities



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