

Bihar became Self-Sufficient in Fish Production for the First Time, with Production of 8.46 lakh tonnes

Why in News?

• According to the information received from the media on 2 May 2023, the total fish production in Bihar in the year 2022-23 is 8 lakh 46 thousand tonnes. This is 85 thousand tonnes more than 7.61 lakh tonnes in 2021-22.

Key Points:

- It is worth mentioning that 8.02 lakh tonnes of fish are required annually in Bihar.
- Bihar Animal and Fisheries Resources Department has prepared the data on fish production, under which Madhubani has the highest production of 88.96 thousand tonnes, while Jehanabad has the lowest production of 1.55 thousand tonnes.
- For the first time, Bihar has produced fish in excess. To meet the requirement for fish in the state, about 800 crore fish had to be imported from Andhra Pradesh and other states till now.
- Now due to more production, fish traders will also be able to send more fish to other states.
- It is worth mentioning that fish is also exported from Bihar to the neighboring states of West Bengal and Nepal.

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