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Scheme "Clothes Fish Fishermen Food Relief Welfare Details The scheme "Lean Season Assistance" is a Sub-Component under the scheme "Welfare and Relief for Fishermen During Lean Seasons and Natural Calamities Scheme". The scheme is extended to all the regions of the Union territory of Puducherry. The scheme is introduced with the objective to assist fishermen families who are deprived of income during natural calamities and fishing ban periods, and to conserve the fishery wealth in sea during breeding season. Benefits5kg of free rice and one set of clothing consisting of one quality saree with one blouse bit, one lunghie, and one towel per fishermen's family, during natural calamities every year. EligibilityThe applicant should be an ordinarily resident of the Union territory of Puducherry.The applicant should be a fisherman. The applicant should belong to a group designated to be "Below Poverty Line". *Beneficiary shall also be considered based on the decisions taken periodically by the Governing Body of the Pondicherry Fishermen Welfare and Distress Relief Society. The applicant should not be ordinarily residing in any foreign nation during the natural calamity, lean season, or ban on the fishing period for which relief assistance is issued. The beneficiary or any other members of the ration card should not be in regular service in the Government/Quasi Government/Government undertakings/Retired Government Pensioner.* The benefit under this scheme shall not be denied only on the ground that the head of the family or family member is a recipient of Old Age Pension (OAP);* The benefit under this scheme shall not be restricted on the ground that the fisherman has mechanized or motorized or traditional fishing boats or does not have the said fishing boats. Application ProcessOfflineStep 1: The interested applicant should visit the office of the concerned authority i.e. Pondicherry State Fishermen Co-operative Federation Limited, Puducherry/The Karaikal Fishermen Co-operative Marketing Union, Karaikal/The Assistant Director of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, Mahe/The Assistant Director of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, Yanam of the respective regions. Step 1: The interested applicant should request the hard copy of the prescribed format of the application form from the concerned authority. Step 2: In the application form, fill in all the mandatory fields, paste the passport-sized photograph (signed across, if required), and attach copies of all the mandatory documents (self-attest, if required). Step 3: Submit the duly filled and signed application form along with the documents to the concerned authority. Step 4: Request a receipt or acknowledgment from the concerned authority to whom the application has been submitted. Ensure that the receipt contains essential details such as the date and time of submission, and a unique identification number (if applicable). Documents Required Aadhar CardCopy of the First Page of the Passbook of the Bank Account.Red Ration Card Issued by the Department of Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Puducherry Identity Card Issued by the Director of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare. Membership Certificate as Proof Obtained From Fishermen Co-operative Society of the Village Concerned in the Union Territory of Puducherry. Frequently Asked QuestionsCan you elaborate on the benefits offered under the scheme, specifically during natural calamities? Eligible fishermen families receive 5kg of free rice and a set of clothing, including a quality saree, blouse bit, lunghie, and towel, annually during natural calamities. How are beneficiaries identified for the "Lean Season Assistance" scheme? Field Officers issue tokens specifying the beneficiary's details on the Ration Card, and assistance is provided upon presenting these tokens in fishing villages across Pondicherry, Karaikal, Mahe, and Yanam. What is the primary objective of the "Lean Season Assistance" scheme? The scheme aims to provide support to fishermen families facing income deprivation during natural calamities and fishing ban periods, while also conserving fishery wealth during breeding seasons. How does the scheme treat beneficiaries who are recipients of Old Age Pension (OAP)? The scheme does not deny benefits based solely on OAP status, ensuring inclusivity for recipients facing natural calamities or fishing bans. Is possession of fishing boats a determining factor for eligibility? The scheme is open to all fishermen, regardless of boat possessionâ€"be it mechanized, motorized, or traditionalâ€"ensuring accessibility to a broad range of beneficiaries. What is the application process for those interested in availing the scheme? Interested applicants must obtain the prescribed application form, fill in mandatory details, attach required documents, and submit the completed form to the relevant authorities, securing a receipt as acknowledgment. Who issues the prescribed application form for the "Lean Season Assistance" scheme? The application form can be obtained from designated authorities such as the Pondicherry State Fishermen Co-operative Federation Limited, Karaikal Fishermen Co-operative Marketing Union, or the Assistant Directors of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare. How does the scheme handle membership verification for applicants? Membership certificates obtained from the Fishermen Co-operative Society of the concerned village in the Union Territory of Puducherry serve as proof for eligibility. Are there any additional criteria considered periodically for selecting beneficiaries? Periodic decisions taken by the Governing Body of the Pondicherry Fishermen Welfare and Distress Relief Society may influence beneficiary selection beyond standard eligibility criteria. How is assistance distributed to beneficiaries in different regions? Distribution is conducted in fishing villages under the supervision of implementing officers or Fishermen Co-operative Societies in Pondicherry, Karaikal, Mahe, and Yanam. What role does the Field Officer play in the distribution process? Field Officers issue tokens to eligible beneficiaries and oversee the distribution process, ensuring a streamlined and efficient assistance delivery system. Can applicants residing in any foreign nation during calamities apply for assistance? No, applicants should not be ordinarily residing in any foreign nation during natural calamities, lean seasons, or fishing bans for which relief assistance is issued. 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