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Release of Government Order for the 15% additional reservation (over and above the existing allocation) to the wards of Fishermen in the admission of B.F.Sc., degree programme and to enhance the total students strength from 120 to 160 in Tamil Nadu Dr. J. Jayalalithaa Fisheries University.

Bachelor of Fisheries Science course (B.F.Sc) is being offered at three constituent colleges of Tamil Nadu Dr. J. Jayalalithaa Fisheries University, Nagapattinam [Fisheries College and Research Institute, Thoothukudi; Dr. MGR Fisheries College and Research Institute, Ponneri; Dr. MGR Fisheries College and Research Institute, Thalainayeru]. As such, 5% of the seats in B.F.Sc admission is allocated to Fishermen wards in Tamil Nadu. The students belonging to the wards of fishermen admitted in this allocation of 5% of the seats (6 seats as of 2020-21) are fully sponsored by the Tamil Nadu Fishermen Welfare Board and their tuition fees and hostel fees are fully met out by the board. At this juncture in the vision document of the Government it has informed that the fishermen community will be given priority over the admission to the fisheries courses. Therefore in addition, the Government have issued an order, based on the orders of Hon'ble Chief Minister for an additional allocation of 15% of the seats to the children of active fishermen. The fee structure and costs towards their education in the degree programme in the additional allocation of 15% of seats have to be paid by the candidates selected on merit basis (mark basis) from among the children of active fishermen (those engaged in fishing or fishery related activities as their occupation).

Thus, the existing admission strength in B.F.Sc. (as on 2021-22) in TNJFU is 120 and 6 seats (existing allocation) as per the allotment of 5% seats to the wards of Fishermen and as per present 15 % supernumerary allocation of 18 seats totaling 144 seats (120+6+18). Further 10 seats for NRIs, 3 seats for foreign nationals, one seat for Ward of Kashmiri Migrants and Kashmiri Pandit/ Kashmiri Hindu Families and 2 seats for the students of Andaman & Nicobar Islands). Hence, for the year 2021-22 academic year onwards the total intake capacity/ admission strength of students would be 160 seats in Tamil Nadu Dr.J Jayalalithaa Fisheries University, for which the Hon'ble Chief Minister has ordered accordingly.

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