Women soar high in fisheries sector

From the deep sea fishing off the Andhra shore to coastal-farmingPonnani (Kollam), to Kollam (Kollam), there is no shortage of determination and readiness to take on the challenges of life in their line of work. For survival, if not for success, they have relied on their own resources to bring home their daily bread.

"It was an uplifting feeling," says Mrs. Kollam, about her first experience in deep-sea fishing. "I was scared, but I didn't go away. I was never fancied," she adds.

The couple with four children, constantly relying on the sea to feed the family, are now ready to start their own enterprise. Living close to the sea and backwardness, it is no wonder.

"It is an excellent journey," says Mrs. Kollam, who has been recognised by the Ministry of Fisheries, Government of India, for her contributions to the fisheries sector in the state. She has been awarded the National Award for Excellence in Fisheries for her contributions to the sector.

She has been involved in various initiatives to promote the use of sustainable fishing practices and to promote the use of traditional fishing methods. She has also been involved in the development of new species of fish and the cultivation of fish in coastal areas.

The Ministry of Fisheries has also awarded her the National Award for Excellence in Fisheries for her contributions to the sector.

"We are proud of her contributions," says Minister for Fisheries, Government of India. "She has been an inspiration to many in the fisheries sector."