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ICAR-CIFA conducted an awareness programme on fish culture and health management at the birth place of Pandit Utkalmani Gopabandhu Das, Suando, Puri district under “MY VILLAGE MY PRIDE” programme on 22.08.2019. In the programme, Mr. Dhirenath Das and Mr. Rabindranath Das, descendants of Das family were the chief guest. Mr. Prassanna kumar Bisoi (retired Fishery officer); Mr. Sridhar Biswal, Sarpanch, Suando; Mr.



Sushil Sahoo, Convener of RTI, Puri, Mr. Biswajit Parida (Environmentalist) were the honoured guests. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. S. S. Mishra, In-charge Director, ICAR-CIFA. Other Scientists from CIFA, Dr. Priyabrat Swain, Dr. Himanshu Kumar De, Dr. Krushna Chandra Das, Dr. Pankaj Kumar Tiwari, Mr. Satya Narayan Sahoo, also participated in the programme. Mr. Dhirenath Das and Mr. Rabindranath Das has briefed about the situations and the problems of the villagers and also appreciated the efforts of CIFA for organizing such types



of programs. Shri Prassanna Kumar Bisoi, shared his experience on fish culture and appreciated the role of scientists to bring new technologies for betterment of farmers. He also urged that all the farmers to keep in touch with CIFA for all kind of technical knowledge and skill development. Dr. P. Swain, Pr. Scientist welcomed all the dignitaries and participants, and briefed about the purpose and objective of conducting such programme he also discussed about control of

different diseases and stressed upon preventive health management adoption to make aquaculture profitable. Dr. H. K. De elaborated about “My village My Pride” program and urged farmers to go for scientific cultivation to get more profit. In his inaugural address, Dr. S. S. Mishra, In-charge Director, ICAR-CIFA elaborated the call of our Honorable Prime Minister for Doubling farmer’s income and stressed that scientific aquaculture will definitely help farmers in this regard for socio economic upliftment and as well as nutritional security. He also briefed about the importance of MGMG programme and to spread the message to different viallages, blocks and districts. For successful aquaculture, there is need of good quality of fish seed, quality feed and maintenance of optimum water quality. He also appreciated the interest of the farmers for attending the program and making the program a successful one. Dr. K. C. Das, explained the farmers on low cost fish feed and feeding strategy to increase fish production. Mr. S. N. Sahoo, Scientist discussed about different disease, clinical symptoms related to infectious diseases at farm pond. Dr. Pankaj Kumar Tiwari, Scientist discussed about water quality management issues briefed about role of water quality parameters and liming, fertilization schedules to be adopted for fish ponds. Total 110 farmers participated in this programme and 30 water samples brought by the fish farmers were tested at spot and analysis report with recommendations were given to farmers at the spot.

