

**ICAR-Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture**  
(An ISO 9001:2015 Certified Institute)  
**Kausalyaganga, Bhubaneswar-751 002, Odisha, India**

**National Training on**  
**“Freshwater Pearl Farming for Entrepreneurship Development”**

**(Date: 27-31 May, 2019)**

**Introduction**

ICAR-Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture, Bhubaneswar is a premier research institute on freshwater aquaculture research catering to the needs of aqua-farmers on various aspects of freshwater aquaculture, fish nutrition and physiology, fish health management, fish genetics and biotechnology and social sciences. Since inception, the institute has made several hallmark contributions including promising technology on freshwater pearl culture. Pearls as 'Queen of Gems' have been occupying a unique place due to their fascinating beauty ever since their discovery in ancient times. Pearls have symbolized love, chastity, purity or feminine charms as well as status symbol in various societies. Pearl culture is a billion dollar industry and one of the world's largest aquaculture activities in terms of value. For the last several years, ICAR-CIFA has contributed significantly in the field of freshwater pearl culture. In order to disseminate the technology among potential pearl cultivators, this institute is organizing a national level training programme during 27-31 May, 2019 at ICAR-CIFA headquarters.

Interested participants may apply for National training on “Freshwater pearl farming for entrepreneurship development”. It is necessary that the trainees are expected to have a good vision, perseverance and have basic knowledge of biology/fish/mussel farming. Selected participants will be informed in due course of time. Due to the limited capacity and huge demand for training, we have developed criteria for screening the applicants. The details are mentioned below.

**Criteria for selection in “National Training on Freshwater Pearl Farming for Entrepreneurship Development”**

1. Participants should have basic knowledge of fish/mussel farming/aquaculture.
2. Participants' age should be in between 18-55 years.
3. Participants should have some infrastructure like pond, cement cisterns, and tank etc. to start pearl farming after receiving training.
4. Woman entrepreneurs will be given preference (20%).
5. Equal consideration will be given to participants from each state.

### **Course contents**

Introduction to freshwater pearl mussels, anatomy, introduction to nucleus beads, hands on training on different implantation methods like mantle cavity, mantle tissue and gonadal implantation, management of water quality parameters, fabrication of bag for culture etc.

**Course Fee:** Rs. 8000/applicant (Rupees Eight thousand only)

### **Important Note:**

1. After declaration of list of selected candidate (shall be displayed on Institute's website), the participants are advised to book their bus/train/flight tickets.
2. The participants are strictly advised not to attach/enclose demand draft with the application. The training fee will be deposited at ICAR-CIFA account only after arrival for the program.

**Lodging and boarding:** The expenses towards lodging and boarding shall be borne by the participants. Approx. Rs.400/head/day (Arrangement in the Institute Training Hostel)

**Last date for submission of Application form:** 07 May, 2019

**Declaration of final list of selected candidates:** 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2019 on [www.cifa.nic.in](http://www.cifa.nic.in). (For further information, kindly check our Annual Training Calendar 2019-20 in CIFA website. Participants are requested to avoid repeated Phone call)

**Maximum intake: 20 numbers**

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**All applications (by Speed post) must be addressed to**

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## REGISTRATION FORM

### National Training on Freshwater Pearl Farming for Entrepreneurship Development (27-31 May 2019)

1. Full name (in Block letters)
2. Designation/Current Job
3. Date of Birth
4. Sex: Male/Female
5. Address for correspondence (in Block letters)
6. E-mail address
7. Telephone/Mobile No.
8. Person to contact in case of Emergency, if any
9. Marital status:  
married/unmarried
10. Educational Qualifications
11. Experience in aquaculture if any
12. Mention if you have participated in any pearl culture training programme previously.  
  
If Yes, Organization from where undertaken the training with date
13. Number of times applied for the Pearl Training Programme at ICAR-CIFA with date, if any
14. Availability of infrastructure facilities like Pond, tanks etc (Yes/No)..... If Yes Mention Numbers .....



**Declaration:** I hereby, declare that the information provided above is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

**Signature of the Applicant with date**