



Training programme on 'Carp-GI Scampi Polyculture for Higher Production and Income' for farmers and entrepreneurs of Assam

ICAR-CIFA organised a training program on 'Carp-GI Scampi Polyculture for Higher Production and Income' under the PMMSY Central Sector Scheme on Scampi in association with Department of Fisheries, Assam on 1 February 2024 at Meen Bhawan, Directorate of Fisheries, Ulubari, Assam. The training program was inaugurated in the gracious presence of Dr. R. Barman, Joint Director (Fisheries); Dr. A. K. Das, Joint Director (Fisheries); Mr. J. R. Sonowal, Deputy Director (Fisheries); Dr. Chandan Chettri, State Nodal Officer, PMMSY Scheme and other officials of Department of Fisheries, Government of Assam. The training program was co-ordinated by Dr. F. Hoque, Scientist; Dr. D. Panda and Dr. S. Sarkar, Senior Scientists, ICAR-CIFA. A total of 50 fish farmers and entrepreneurs from 15 blocks of three districts of the state and 20 fishery department officials attended the training program.

During the welcome address, Dr. Hoque emphasized the potential of using genetically improved fish for higher income and briefed about the progress of on-going demonstrations in four selected farms in Kamrup district. Dr. Barman expressed his gratitude for selecting Assam for organising this kind of need based program and also highlighted about the on-going various fishery developmental activities of the state. Dr. Chettri stressed the importance of the training in enhancing farmers' skills for efficient management. Following the inauguration, Dr. Panda delivered a lecture on 'Package of Practice for Carp-GI Scampi Polyculture for Higher Production and Income'. Dr. S. Sarkar discussed on 'Water Quality Management in Polyculture Ponds', while Dr. F. Hoque focused on 'Disease Management in Carp-GI scampi polyculture'. Towards the end of the technical session, Farmers-Scientist interaction was held to discuss various issues pertaining to freshwater aquaculture in the state. The participants were extremely satisfied with the training. Dr. Pratul Barman, DFDO, Kamrup district thanked all dignitaries, ICAR-CIFA and all the participants for a successful training program.

