ICAR-NBFGR reached to the unreached: institutional efforts towards community empowerment of ST and SC fish farmers through participatory approach in collaboration with KVKs

ICAR-NBFGR is putting the institutional efforts towards community empowerment through participatory approach for the fish farmers especially women fish farmers of the remotely located villages in West Bengal. The Institute has organised two capacity building programmes and demonstration of carp hatchery during May 17-19, 2023 and May 20-22, 2023 in collaboration with ICAR-CISH KVK, Malda and Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama Dhaanyaganga KVK, Sargachhi respectively under the STC and SCSP components for the skill training of ST and SC fish farmers. Training programmes emphases on the breeding and seed production of indigenous carp and ornamental fishes. The institute has established carp seed production cum demonstration unit at Dhaanyaganga KVK, Sargachhi. Dr. U.K. Sarkar, Director demonstrated and distributed the fishery inputs including FRP ornamental fish tanks to the fish farmers in the benign presence of Shri Swami Vishwamayananda, Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama and Dr. Sujan Biswas, Head Dhaanyaganga KVK, Sargachhi. Dr. Sarkar addressed the fish farmers for the income generation through aquaculture and fisheries as well as participatory approach for the conservation of regional fish biodiversity. Shri Swami Vishwamayananda encouraged the farmers for augmenting livelihood through technology adoption in fisheries and aguaculture with the help of ICAR-NBFGR. The programmes were coordinated by Dr. Aditya Kumar and Dr. Raghvendra Singh, Scientists of ICAR-NBFGR, and Dr. Uday Narayan Das, SMS, Dhaanyaganga KVK, Sargachhi.



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Fig. 1 A-C: ICAR-NBFGR's capacity building programme in collaboration with Dhaanyaganga KVK Sargachhi



Fig. 2 A-D: ICAR-NBFGR's capacity building programme in collaboration with ICAR-CISH, KVK Malda
