

Joint Efforts by ICAR-NBFGR to Foster Sustainable Community Growth through Awareness, Skill Building, and Resource Allocation

ICAR-National Bureau of Fish Genetic Resources, Lucknow organised 'Community empowerment through sensitization, capacity development, and input distribution' events for the fish farmers under the SCSP component in collaboration with WBCADC Krishi Vigyan Kendra Sonamukhi, West Bengal, on 26.11.2023 and in collaboration with Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Kalyan, Purulia, West Bengal on 27.11.2023 respectively.

Key contributions included the distribution of fish feed, fish seed, FRP ornamental fish tanks and fish carriers or *handis* to more than 100 SCSP beneficiaries. These initiatives aimed not only at bolstering traditional fish farming but also at promoting the growth of ornamental fish culture, a field with significant potential.

Dr. Himanshu Pathak, Honourable Secretary (DARE) & Director General (ICAR), Dr. U. K. Sarkar, Director, ICAR-NBFGR, Dr. T. Damodaran, Director, ICAR-CISH, Dr. Pradip Dey, Director, ICAR-ATARI, Kolkata, Dr. Moumita Dey, Programme Co-ordinator, KVK Sonamukhi and other dignitaries were graced the event at KVK, Sonamukhi.

Shri. Swami Vashkarananda, Secretary, Kalyan, Dr. U. K. Sarkar, Director, ICAR-NBFGR (online), Dr. Pradip Dey, Director, ICAR-ATARI, Kolkata (online), Dr. M. K. Bhattacharjya, Head, KVK, Kalyan, Purulia and other dignitaries graced the event at KVK, Kalyan, Purulia.

