# ICAR-NBFGR Hosts the 28th Research Advisory Committee Meeting

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The ICAR-National Bureau of Fish Genetic Resources, Lucknow successfully concluded its 28th Research Advisory Committee (RAC) Meeting, emphasizing the institution's ongoing dedication to aquatic biodiversity conservation and the management of aquatic genetic resources. The meeting was held over two days, starting on March 13, 2024, on the ICAR-NBFGR campus, Lucknow. The event commenced with a warm welcome to the distinguished chairman, Dr. W. S. Lakra, and esteemed members of the RAC, including Dr. G. Gopikrishna, Dr. A. D. Diwan, Dr. Massod H. Balkhi, and Dr. Subhadeep Gosh, by Dr. Uttam Kumar Sarkar, Director, ICAR-NBFGR. Their presence highlighted the collaborative spirit that propels the collective pursuit of excellence in the sector. The research advisory committee deliberated on a packed agenda that included an overview of research activities, addresses by the chair and members, presentations of action taken reports, release of publications and detailed presentations by the Heads of the Divisions. These discussions were interspersed with breaks, including a visit to the National Fish Museum and Repository, Laboratories, Hatchery, other facilities, and a fish release event, further enriching the participants' experience. The meeting served as a platform for setting future directions, with a focus on leveraging science and innovation for the sustainable management and conservation of aquatic resources. Dr. Sarkar, in his closing remarks, thanked the members for their dedication, support, and participation, looking forward to the insights and recommendations that will guide ICAR-NBFGR's journey towards a vibrant and biodiverse aquatic ecosystem for future generations. The 28th RAC Meeting at ICAR-NBFGR was a testament to the institution's commitment to excellence and innovation in the conservation and management of fish genetic resources, setting a high benchmark for future endeavours in the field of aquatic biodiversity.