

Stakeholder Meet-cum-Awareness Programme: Joint Efforts by ICAR-NBFGR for Community Empowerment through Sensitization, Capacity Development, and Technology Demonstrations

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ICAR-National Bureau of Fish Genetic Resources, Lucknow; in association with the International Centre for Ecological Engineering & Department of Ecological Studies, University of Kalyani; PMMSY-funded National Surveillance Programme on Aquatic Animal Diseases; and Aquatic Biodiversity Conservation Society, Lucknow, jointly organised two-day Stakeholder Meet-cum-Awareness Programme for Community Empowerment through Sensitization, Capacity Development, and Technology Demonstrations, from 03-04 July 2024, hosted at University of Kalyani, West Bengal. The Hon'ble Secretary DARE and Director General ICAR, Dr. Himanshu Pathak, inaugurated the programme online and addressed the stakeholders, highlighting the role of collaborative efforts in boosting the blue revolution. Dr. U. K. Sarkar, Director, ICAR-NBFGR and Programme Convener, emphasized on a shared commitment to community empowerment using innovative technologies for sustainable development. This programme aimed to improve their livelihoods and ensure sustainable growth in the fisheries sector by equipping them with the necessary knowledge, skills, and resources. About 150 participants attended the programme. On this occasion, several fishery and aquaculture inputs were distributed among the SCSP beneficiaries. On this occasion, Prof. Amalendu Bhunia, Vice Chancellor, University of Kalyani; Prof. B. B. Jana, Co-convener; Dr. P. Dey, Director, ICAR-ATARI, Kolkata; Swami Shri Durganathananda, Ramkrishna Mission, Kalyani; Dr. Shamik Das, Additional Director, Department of Fisheries, Govt of West Bengal; Prof. S. K. Das, Prof. A. K. Panigrahi, Dr. J. K. Biswas, Programme Coordinator, and other officers from ICAR-NBFGR and the University of Kalyani were also present during the programme.

