

Scientist-farmer interface meeting held at AFS, Sarakana

A Scientists-Farmers Interface meeting was held at Aquaculture Field School, Sarakana today. ICAR-Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture under the project Farmer First organized this and around 70 farmers and farm women took part. This meet was held to share with the farmers new



developments in freshwater aquaculture and to elicit feedback from practicing fish farmers. Regular scientists-farmers interface is an essential component of farmer first and it helps establishing connection with the clientele.



Team CIFA comprising Dr G.S. Saha; Dr. H.K. De; Dr. C.K. Misra ; Sri A S Mahapatra; Sri D. P. Rath ; Sri P B Bhakat; Sri Sisir Kumar Mohanty and Sri V. Bhaskar Rao attended the workshop. Dr. H. K. De, Project in charge interacted with the farmers explaining the different goals of Aquaculture field school

and tasks undertaken by CIFA since last many years and encouraged the farmers for optimum utilisation of resources using latest technologies of fish farming. Dr. C.K. Misra, interacted with the audience explaining in depth details about ornamental fish farming comprising its seed rearing as well as about the Bio-floc fish farming.

A Scientists-Farmers interface was conducted to discuss about the problems faced by the farmers in aquaculture. Padmasri Awardee farmer Sri Batakrushna Sahoo shared his farming experience and urged the fellow farmers to take advantage of the knowledge products of CIFA. The team along with the farmers visited hatchery and ornamental fish unit of Sri Sahoo. Sri Sisir Kumar Mohanty, Assistant Chief Technical Officer coordinated the programme and proposed vote of thanks.

