

Fish Nutrition, Biochemistry and Physiology(FNBP) Division, ICAR-CIFE, Mumbai organized the **Mann Ki Baat Matsya Kisan Ke Sath** programme on **“Production of nutritionally balanced feed and its use for enhancing aquaculture production”**

Under the **“Mann Ki Baat Matsya Kisan Ke Sath”** programme, the Fish Nutrition, Biochemistry and Physiology (FNBP) Division, ICAR-CIFE, Mumbai organised a Scientists-Farmers Interaction Meet on 28th November 2024 on the topics entitled **“Production of Nutritionally Balanced Feed and its Use for Enhancing Aquaculture Production: Feed-based Aquaculture for the Blue Revolution”**. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. N.P. Sahu, Joint Director & Director (I/C), ICAR-CIFE, Mumbai. Dr. Sahu emphasized the importance of feed and feeding management in enhancing the aquaculture production and to produce the quality fish. He also actively participated in the programme and offered his technical guidance to solve many of the problems faced by the farmers related to aquafeed. Dr. Kedar Nath Mohanta, Head, FNBP Division & Coordinator welcomed the resource persons and the participants and spoke about how the CIFE will help in popularising the region based fish feed formulation by using locally available feed resources. He also highlighted the pressing needs of the aquafeed sector in the country. Dr. Ashutosh, D. Deo, Principal Scientist and Dr. Sikendra Kumar, Senior Scientist had meticulously designed the programme and coordinated the whole event very successfully. Other resource persons participated in this interaction meet were Dr Subodh Gupta, Dr Babitha Rani, Dr Prem Kumar, Dr Tincy Varghese, Dr Jeena K and Dr Manish Jaynat. A total of 155 farmers/entrepreneurs/stakeholders across the country joined this event. The participants raised a total of 40 questions and the resource persons given the solution to these problems. The participants were highly satisfied with this live interaction meet and offered their excellent feedbacks. Many of the farmers demanded the ICAR-CIFE to organize such event in near future also since fish feed has a major role in profitability and sustainability of aquaculture.



Fig 1: Inauguration of the “**Mann Ki Baat Matsya Kisan Ke Sath**” programme by Dr. N.P. Sahu, Joint Director & Director (I/C), ICAR-CIFE, Mumbai

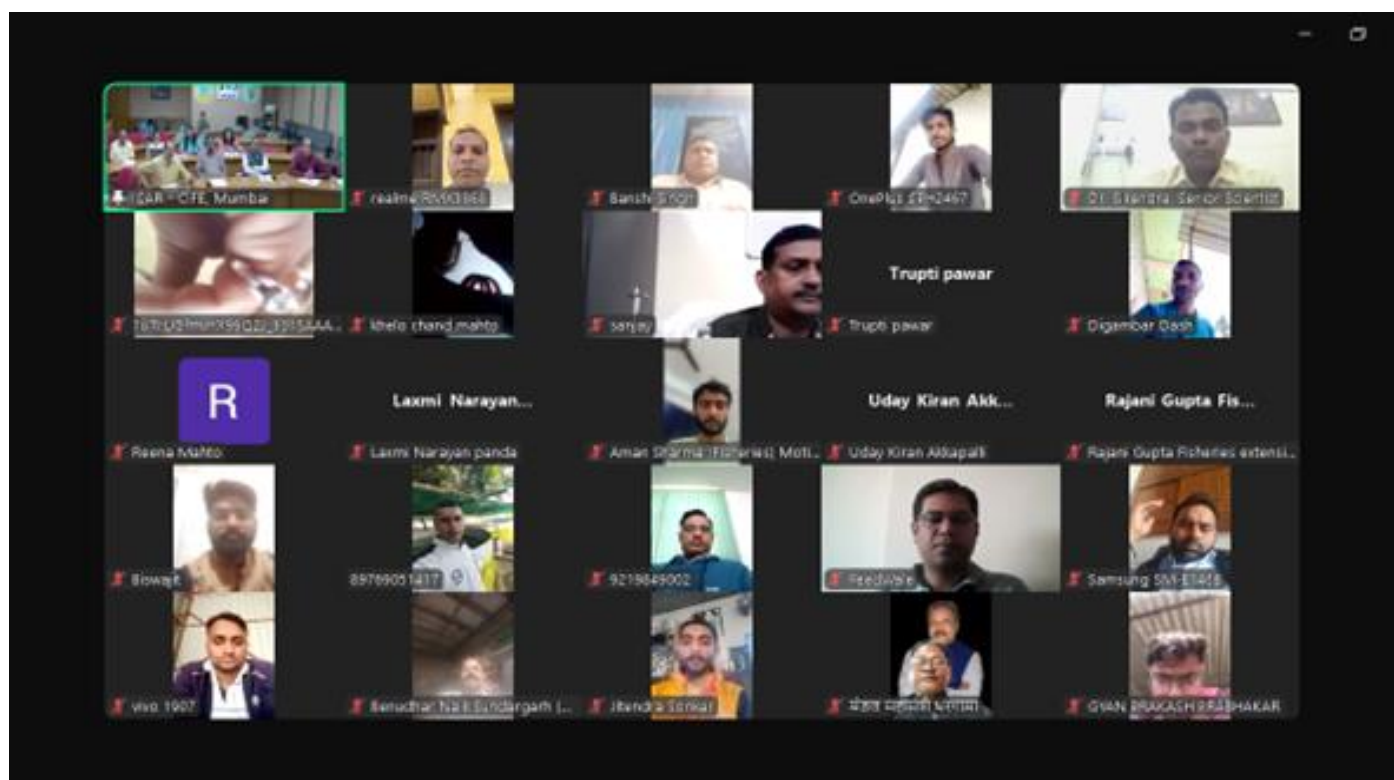


Fig 2: A view of the participants joined on the zoom platform for the “**Mann Ki Baat Matsya Kisan Ke Sath**” programme of ICAR-CIFE, Mumbai