## World Fisheries Day celebrated by ICAR-CIFE, Mumbai on 21/11/21

World Fisheries Day was celebrated on 21st November 2021 by ICAR-CIFE, Mumbai in virtual mode with an aim to demonstrate solidarity with all fisher folk, fish farmers and concerned stakeholders throughout the world.

The programme started with a welcome address by Dr. N.P. Sahu, Director (Acting) ICAR-CIFE, Mumbai. In his address he highlighted the importance of this day which is dedicated to highlight the critical importance of healthy ocean ecosystems and to ensure sustainable stocks of fisheries in the world. He highlighted issues of exploring the unexplored, climate change, livelihood, anthropogenic pollution, environment, equity and the focus of Government fisheries sector.

This was followed by address by the Chief Guest, Dr. K Riji John, Vice Chancellor of Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies (KUFOS), Kochi a renowned fisheries scientist known for his work in aquaculture, fish virology and sustainability. He presented his talk on The 'Three Es (Economic, Environment and Equity) for Sustainable Fisheries Development'. He highlighted fisheries sector role in protecting the ecosystem, providing livelihood, incomes, foreign exchange, health and nutritional security to many people across the world. Scientists, staff and students of ICAR-CIFE Mumbai benefitted from his talk.

After this the participants put forward their views/queries/opinions and interactions followed. Students raised different issues related to artisanal fisheries, climate change, harmful subsidies etc. and these were discussed by scientists.

Dr. Arpita Sharma, Principal Scientist, FEES Division coordinated the programme and presented the vote of thanks. She highlighted that the World Fisheries Day celebrations serve to focus on changing the way the world manages global fisheries to ensure sustainable stocks and healthy ecosystems.

The programme was attended by 203 participants comprising of Scientists, Technical Officers, Staff and Students of ICAR-CIFE, Mumbai and its Centre.

## Glimpses of World Fisheries Day celebrated by ICAR-CIFE, Mumbai on 21/11/21

























