## Workshop on "Environmental and Social Standards"

26<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 ICAR-CIFE

The Central Institute of Fisheries Education, Mumbai under the aegis of NAHEP-CAAST, organised the Third Regional Workshop on 'Environmental and Social Standards' on 26th November 2019. A total number of 115 participants attended the programme, including 9 nodal officers of Environment Management Plan (EMP) and 10 nodal officers of Equity Action Plan (EAP) and Grievance Redressal Mechanism (GRM) from 13 Agricultural Universities under West Zone. The Director and Vice-Chancellor of ICAR-CIFE, Dr. Gopal Krishna, welcomed the Chief Guest Dr. Bharati Hemant Lavekar, MLA, Versova Constituency and the Guest of Honour, Dr. P. Ramasundaram, National Co-ordinator, IDP, NAHEP. In his welcome address, the Director highlighted the importance of integrating the Environment Sustainability Plan into Institutional Development Plan. He also brifed on the activities taken under NAHEP for the development of ecofriendly and environmental protective technologies. Dr. Ramasundaram, the National Co-ordinator, IDP, NAHEP mentioned about the objectives of the World Bank funded project and conveyed that the main features are to support our country's partnership strategy and to address issues through integration, transformation and inclusion. He mentioned that the aim of the project is to improve the quality of Agricultural Higher Education in India and act as a launch pad for entrepreneurs in the field. The Chief Guest of the program, Dr. Bharati Lavekar is also a well-known social activist, graced the occasion with her valuable inputs and encouraged everyone to actively participate in the workshop and advised them to obtain maximum benefit out of the expert discussions. The programme was divided into two themes viz. (a) Environment Management Plan and (b) Equity Action Plan and Grievance Redressal Mechanism. As 26<sup>th</sup> November being the Constitutional Day of India, Dr. B. R. Ambedkar,

Father of Indian Constitution was commemorated and floral tribute was offered by the Chief guest and Director. The programme concluded with a formal vote of thanks by Dr. N. P. Sahu, Dean-Academics, ICAR-CIFE.













