Capacity Building of Meghalaya Farmers on Ornamental Fish Breeding and Culture at ICAR-CIFE, Kolkata Centre (5-11 December, 2023)

With the objective to develop skilled entrepreneurs on ornamental fish breeding and culture through hands-on learning process, a seven-day skill development training programme on **Entrepreneurship Development in Ornamental Fish Breeding and Culture** was organized during 5-11 December, 2023 at ICAR-Central Institute of Fisheries Education (ICAR-CIFE), Kolkata Centre.

Dr. T.K. Ghoshal, Principal Scientist and Head, ICAR-CIFE, Kolkata Centre inaugurated the training programme, and briefed about the objectives and technical details of the training. The programme covered different subject areas of ornamental fish breeding and culture, namely identification of ornamental fishes, breeding and seed production of different ornamental fishes, nutrition and feeding, health and disease management, water quality management, live feed culture, aquascaping, aquarium fabrication and model project preparation. The training comprised of both theory and hands-on practical classes, and field visits to ornamental fish culture farm at Makardah, Howrah, fish export centre at Dashnagar, Howrah and ornamental fish market at Galiff Street, Kolkata. A total of 32 trainees (28 males + 4 females) composed of farmers and entrepreneurs sponsored by the Department of Fisheries, Govt. of Meghalaya actively participated in the training programme. The participants shared their positive feedback on their skill development and appreciated the efforts of ICAR-CIFE for conducting this useful programme. The training programme was coordinated by Dr. G.H. Pailan, Principal Scientist and G. Biswas, Senior Scientist of ICAR-CIFE, Kolkata Centre.









