## Skill development Program on leaf meal based fish diet at RRTC Motipur

Regional Research and Training Centre (RRTC) Motipur, Bihar of ICAR-Central Institute of Fisheries Education, Mumbai organized Skill Development Training Program on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2019. 81 trainees from different district of the state attended the program. The farmers and entrepreneurs were trained on cost effective feed and feeding management in aquaculture. The program was focused on leaf meal based feed formulation and demonstration of on farm preparation of feed. Dr. N.P. Sahu Dean & HoD FNBP Division of ICAR-CIFE, Mumbai addressed the gathering and highlighted the importance of feed & common issues in aquaculture. Dr. Ashutosh D.Deo Principal Scientist shared details of leafmeal based fish feed in view of the rising costs of ingredients specially de-oiled rice bran to the participants. The program was coordinated by Dr. Md. Aklakur, Scientist & OIC Motipur. He emphasized the importance of aquaculture for raising the farmer's income in the state and generation of employment. During the program, farmers asked several questions based on local issues and other related aspects of aquaculture. A detailed discussion held on the possible solution to these issues and queries. The program was also attended by officers, Shree B. D. Singh and Shree R. V. Dwivedi from Regional Centre of IISR Motipur. A progressive entrepreneur Shree Yatendra Kashyap proprietor of Kash Fisheries also motivated the farmers and entrepreneurs for taking up the aquaculture initiatives.