

Skill Development Training Programme on ‘Freshwater Pearl Culture Technology during 13-15 March, 2024 for the farmers of Assam under NEH programme

Three-day skill development training programme on “Freshwater Pearl Culture Technology” was organized at, Nagaon, Assam on 13-15 March, 2024 for fish farmers of Assam in collaboration with Department of Fisheries, Govt. of Assam. A total number of 25 farmers (17 Female and 8 Male) were benefitted by this training programme. There were representatives of the districts amongst the group. i.e. Nagaon, Moregaon, Tinsukia, Kukrajhar and Jorhat. The co-ordinator of the training program was Mrs. Sweta Pradhan, Scientist, Aquaculture, ICAR-CIFE, Kolkata Centre. The training programme was inaugurated in presence of Dr. G.H. Pailan, Principal Scientist, ICAR-CIFE, Kolkata Centre, Sushil Kumar Nath, DFDO, Nagaon, Sanjeeb Borkotoki, Head, RUDSETI, Nagaon and other fisheries officials.

The farmers were trained on the different implantation techniques in the pearl culture, Preparation of the nuclear beads. The trainees were done the hands on practical during the training. They were also explained about the physiology, anatomy, and basics of freshwater mussels. They also learned on the harvesting, value addition and marketing on pearl culture. They were also encouraged on fishcam pearl culture to generate more income and learned about pond preparation and management of pond.

A valedictory programme was conducted in presence of resource persons and fisheries officials, Department of Fisheries, Nagaon, Assam. The farmers were distributed with the certificates and manual and a pH kit. The programme was successfully ended with vote of thanks by Sushil Kumar Nath, DFDO, Nagaon.

