



Sher-e-Kashmir **University of Agricultural Sciences & Technology-Jammu** **Fisheries Unit**

SKUAST-J organizes Two days training of Composite Fish Farming

Fisheries Unit, Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology (SKUAST) of Jammu organises two days training programme on 'Composite Fish Farming' in collaboration with 118 Medium Regiment, Jammu for serving soldiers, Ex-servicemen and local population of J&K at Fisheries Unit of SKUAST-J under the overall guidance of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. JP Sharma and Dean, Faculty of Agriculture, Dr.DP Abrol.

Dr DP Abrol, Dean, Faculty of Agriculture, SKUAST-Jammu graced the function as a Chief Guest while Colonel Mohamad Ali and Dr Jyoti Kachroo, HOD, AE&ABM honoured the program as Guest of Honour.

Dr Akhil Gupta, Senior Scientist, SKAUST-J welcomed all the participants and elaborated the importance of a nutritionally balanced mixture of ingredients to support the maintenance, growth, reproduction, and health of fish. Dr Raj Kumar, Course Coordinator, Scientist, Fisheries Unit briefed in detail about training programme. He informed that carps contribute more than 80 percent in total aquaculture production of India and helping in ensuring the nutritional and food security for rural people. During the inaugural function, Dr. D P Abrol explained the importance of fish farming and highlighted the activities of fisheries Unit at Chatha. In his address he elaborated the concept of organizing such training program and urged the participants to avail this opportunity completely to learn the composite fish farming in scientific way for maximum benefit.

Dr Jyoti Kachroo suggested to work for optimum utilization of resources to ensure maximum production at minimum cost to the environment. Colonel Mohammad Ali, from 118 Medium Regiment appreciated the efforts of fisheries unit for taking efforts and pain to teach the technique of fish farming to rural people which can be an alternative source of income. Dr Sahar Masud, Incharge, Fisheries Unit detailed about enormous growth of fisheries sector in India. She informed that aquaculture has traditionally played a role in ensuring food security for humans and is often a component of rural development programmes to alleviate poverty. Dr Prem Kumar, Scientist stressed upon the adoption of fish farming which can effectively help in doubling farmer's income. He further detailed upon the quality of fish seed which is one of the most important aspect for successful fish farming. The programme was attended by military persons and local people of J&K U.T and ended with vote of thanks by Dr Sahar Masud.

