



**Training Programme on ‘Fish Nutrition and Feed Technology’ Organized
at SKUAST-J**



Two days training programme on ‘Fish Nutrition and Feed Technology’ for serving soldiers and local population of UT of J&K was organized by Fisheries Unit at Main Campus, Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology of Jammu, Chatha. Professor J P Sharma, Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor, SKUAST-J graced the inaugural function as Chief Guest while Lt. Colonel RP Singh, 118 Medium Regiment, Jammu was the Guest of Honour. Prof J.P. Sharma praised the efforts of fisheries scientists to organise this specialized training programme on indigenous aqua-feed formulation and processing which will help to improve socio-economic status of farmer’s and employment generation. He suggested to focus on the scientific research for the development of the society and practical steps needed to improve farmers’ and local population assess to productive technologies. Prof. Sharma urged and motivated the participants to avail the benefits of different schemes under PMMSY. Lt Colonel RP Singh appreciated the efforts of Farm University and their cooperation in conducting these training programmes for army personnel as well as for the local population of region. Dr D P Abrol, Dean Faculty of Agriculture in his address during the valedictory session discussed the importance of fisheries and aquaculture and was of the opinion that aquaculture along with animal sciences and agriculture is need of the hour.

Dr Akhil Gupta, Associate Professor/Sr. Scientist (Fisheries) and Course Coordinator of the training programme briefed about various activities held and presentations delivered by different resource persons during the two days training programme. He further informed that about nine lectures and two practical sessions were conducted by fisheries scientists’ viz. Dr Sahar Masud, Dr Akhil Gupta, Dr Raj Kumar, Dr Prem Kumar and Dr Paromita Gupta during the programme. Ms. Anubala, Assistant Director Fisheries, Govt. Fisheries Department and Special Guest of the valedictory function informed the participants about various ongoing Govt. schemes under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY). Sh. Jagmohan Singh, Fisheries Inspector also delivered a lecture on pattern of funding for various beneficiary oriented schemes to the farmers. Prof. Jyoti Kachroo, Head, Division of Agricultural Economics and ABM was also present during the event. Dr. Sahar Masud, Incharge Fisheries, Fisheries Unit, SKUAST-Jammu presented the vote of thanks. Dr Akhil Gupta, Associate Professor (Fisheries) was the programme coordinator.