

RRC of CIFA and KVK, Devataj Jointly Celebrated National Fish Farmers' Day at Anand, Gujarat

10th July, 2014, Anand

The Regional Research Centre of Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture, Anand and Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Anand Agricultural University (AAU), Devataj, Gujarat jointly observed National Fish Farmers' day on 10th July, 2014 at veterinary college campus, AAU, Anand, Gujarat.



In the inauguration, Dr K. B. Kathiria, the Honorable Vice-Chancellor of Anand Agricultural University, Anand emphasized the importance of exploring vast freshwater resources of Gujarat for aquaculture development and encouraged the farmers to take the leadership to excel in aquaculture at national level. Shri. G.C. Vakani, Deputy Director of Fisheries, Govt. of Gujarat graced the occasion as Chief Guest and highlighted the importance of quality seed production and their rearing to achieve higher production goal in future. Dr. P.P. Patel, Director of Extension Education, AAU, Anand, Dr. A.Y. Desai, Principal & Dean, College of Fisheries Science, Junagarh Agricultural University, Veraval and Dr. A.M. Thaker, Principal & Dean, College of Veterinary Science & A.H., AAU, Anand were also present in the occasion. Earlier, Dr. G.G. Patel, Programme Coordinator, KVK, Devataj welcomed dignitaries, farmers, entrepreneurs, line department officials and media persons and briefed about the programme. In his inaugural address, Dr. C.K. Misra, Senior Scientist, RRC of CIFA, Anand briefed the importance of the day as a land mark achievement of induced breeding technology in the history of Fisheries Science to achieve revolution in fish seed production and increase in fish production.

Five fish farmers from Anand and Kheda districts of Gujarat were felicitated and two publications in vernacular language were released on this occasion. The awardee farmers shared

their experience and stories with the researchers and other farmers. A total of 60 fish farmers attended the farmers' meet held on the sidelines of the celebration.

Inaugural function was followed by a scientist-farmer interaction on this occasion which was moderated by Dr. C. K. Misra. The function was coordinated by Mr. Jaimin Bhatt, SMS (Fisheries), KVK, Devataj, AAU and Dr. Subhas Sarkar, Scientist, RRC of CIFA, Anand. The vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. Sarkar.

