

A seminar on “Initiatives of MPEDA for promotion of Diversified Aquaculture in India, with Special Focus on Andhra Pradesh - Way forward” on 26th July 2022

MPEDA-RGCA organized a seminar on “Initiatives of MPEDA for promotion of Diversified Aquaculture in India, with Special Focus on Andhra Pradesh - Way forward” on 26th July 2022 held at Vijayawada to propagate diversified aquaculture activities across the state of Andhra Pradesh, sponsored by NFBD, Hyderabad.

The event was inaugurated by Dr. K. N. Raghavan IRS, Chairman, MPEDA/ President, RGCA in the presence of Dr. (Smt) Suvarna Chandrappagari, IFS, Chief Executive of NFDB. Dr. M. Karthikeyan, Director, MPEDA; Shri K. S. Pradeep, IFS, Secretary, MPEDA; Shri Kannababu IAS, Commissioner of Fisheries, Andhra Pradesh; Dr. S. Kandan, Director, RGCA; Dr. A Jeyabal, Joint Director, MPEDA, and officials from NFDB, MPEDA & RGCA, Stakeholders, farmers, etc., were present on the day.

As part of the Golden Jubilee celebration of MPEDA, a multilingual book on diversified aquaculture was released followed by a technical session by Director, RGCA Dr. S. Kandan presented on “Initiatives of MPEDA for promotion of Diversified Aquaculture in India with special focus on the state of Andhra Pradesh” which was translated into Telugu by Shri P. Srinivasa Rao, Senior Scientific officer of RGCA.

Dr. V. Shanmuga Arasu delivered a lecture on “Initiatives of MPEDA-RGCA for the promotion of Seabass Aquaculture in India” and Shri B. Appala Naidu presented various aspects of the successful propagation of GIFT Tilapia.

A panel discussion was a highly interactive session, wherein several delegates representing farmer groups, entrepreneurs, potential hatchery operators, processors, govt. officials and members of the academe expressed their views to promote diversified aquaculture in the country and discussed on the impediments that came in the way which needed to be addressed immediately.

More than 550 delegates attended the event from several districts of Andhra Pradesh which includes Aqua farmers, Hatchery operators, exporters, entrepreneurs, aquaculture professionals, Govt. officials and academe.

The whole event was telecasted through live wire via YouTube.



Inauguration of the seminar by Dr. K. N. Raghavan IRS, Chairman, MPEDA/President, RGCA



Welcome address by Dr. M. Karthikeyan, Director, MPEDA



Inaugural address by Dr. K.N Raghavan, IRS, Chairman, MPEDA,/ President, RGCA



Felicitating by Dr. Swarna Chandrappagari, IFS, Chief Executive of NFDB



Felicitating by Shri. K. S Pradeep, IFS, Secretary, MPEDA



Special address by Shri. Kannababu, IAS, Commissioner of Fisheries, Govt. of AP



A multilingual book on Diversified aquaculture was released by Dr. K. N. Raghavan IRS, Ex-Chairman, MPEDA



Officials from MPEDA, Vijayawada, NETFISH, NaSCA and RGCA along with Chairman MPEDA, and other dignitaries attended the seminar.