ICAR- Directorate of Coldwater Fisheries Research (DCFR), Bhimtal and ICAR- Central Institute of Fisheries Technology (CIFT), Cochin have jointly organized training programme on “Value Addition of Fresh Water Fish through Processing” during 2-3 March 2016 under TSP at Deharadun. The objective of the training was to demonstrate the protocol for post harvest handling and preparation of value added products from fish in order to create awareness for livelihood support among tribal woman through initiating small scale entrepreneurship. The trainee’s folk comprised of 73 tribal women belonging to Bhotia and Boksha community.

Chief Guest, Shri N.S. Napalchyal former chief secretary (Govt. of Uttarakhand) and at present chairman, ST commission (Govt. of Uttarakhand) inaugurated the training programme he urged that training module of this kind will be beneficial to the tribal in supporting their livelihood in remote areas. He appreciated efforts of DCFR for taking up such programme and emphasized collaboration with state Government for intensifying efforts under Tribal Sub Plan. He also emphasized for forming self help group for income generation through small scale entrepreneurship. Dr. A. K. Singh, Director, DCFR, Bhimtal ensure that technical support for community based programme.

Practical demonstration on the post harvest handling of fish, fillets preparation, preparation of fish finger, fish balls, fish cutlets, fish streaks, fish curry, fish pickle and fish silage. The trainees participated enthusiastically for learning the techniques and shown interest in forming a self help group for setting up small scale enterprises. Package of practice on ornamental fish culture in garden is another option of livelihood support was also demonstrated to the woman folks on dated 1.3.2016.
Practical demonstrations on processing and value addition of fish