

## **National Fish Farmers Day organized at ICAR-DCFR Field Centre, Champawat**

ICAR-Directorate of Coldwater Fisheries Research celebrated National Fish Farmers Day on 10<sup>th</sup> July at its Experimental Field Centre, Champawat where 31 farmers and state fishery personnel as well as scientists participated. Demonstrations on various farming activities, farm visits, interactions and fish seed distribution were arranged for participants on this occasion. Farmers of nearby villages of Champawat including farm women and tea garden workers attended the programme. Besides rainbow trout and snow trout culture practices, farmers were made acquainted with breeding, nursery rearing and seed packing techniques of different fingerlings mirror carp being raised at the centre. Dr Suresh Chandra, Sr. Scientist and Scientist-in charge welcomed the farmer and briefed them about the centre's activities and technologies and efforts being made by the directorate for development of coldwater aquaculture in hilly states of the country under the guidance of Director, Dr A.K.Singh and appealed farmers to adopt integrated farming to maximize their profit and minimize crop loss. Later, the farmers were taken to carp and trout farm of the centre and live demonstrations on breeding, seed rising and trout farming techniques were given. Farmers keenly took part in the farm activities. Queries raised by farmers were addressed in scientist-farmers interaction meet. On this occasion improved common carp seed was also distributed to fish farmers. Mr A.K. Giri, Dr Raghvendra Singh, Mr P.A. Ganie scientists and Technical officers Mr Ravindar Kumar and Hansa Datt along with other staff members of ICAR-DCFR were present on this occasion. The programme ended with vote of thanks.



**Farmers observing improved Hungarian common fry reared at the farm**



**Farmers in the scientist interaction meet**



**Demonstration on seed packing for transporting to long distance**



**Improved common carp seed distribution to progressive fish farmers of Champawat area**



**Scientist- farmer interaction during the Farmer's day**