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Application Form of the Training Course

Enclosure Culture in Inland Openwaters for Productivity Enhancement and Livelihood

- 1. Name of the Candidate: (in Capital letters)
- 2. Designation:
- 3. Age (yrs):
- 4. Affiliation:
- 5. Mobile No.:
- 6. Email:
- 7. Residence:
- 8. Educational Qualification:
- 9. Nature of present job:
- 10. Transaction ID of registration fee payment:
- 11. Whether accommodation on payment basis is required at ICAR-CIFRI:

(Recommendation of sponsoring authority with signature and office seal)

Date:

Place: Signature of the Applicant



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The ICAR Central Inland Fisheries Research Institute (ICAR-CIFRI) is a pioneer institute in India with significant contributions in the field of inland fisheries. ICAR-CIFRI has carried out benchmark studies on the fish and fisheries of major rivers, estuaries, lakes, reservoirs and wetlands spread along the length and breadth of the country. Since its inception, the institute strives for knowledge-based management of inland open waters for sustainable fisheries and conservation of aquatic biodiversity.

Introduction to the Course

Cage aquaculture, a form of enclosure-based fish farming, is gaining importance as a practical way to increase fish production in India's inland open waters, including reservoirs and lakes. In this method, fish are reared inside floating cages placed in natural water bodies, making use of available water resources without the need for land-based ponds. With its rich network of inland water bodies, India has immense potential to expand fish production through cage farming. This approach can help improve food and nutritional security, create regular income for fish farmers, and strengthen rural livelihoods. It is relatively lowcost, requires modest investment, and can be scaled according to resources and demand. This course offers a clear introduction to cage aquaculture, covering its methods, benefits, and possible challenges. It shares practical know-how, real-life examples, and technical advice to help farmers, extension workers, and fisheries officials



adopt the practice effectively. When managed scientifically, cage culture can support eco-friendly, productive and sustainable inland fisheries across the country.

Course Content

Cage Fabrication and Installation

 Explains the different cage designs used in inland and coastal aquaculture and the materials best suited for building cage frames, such as HDPE pipes, bamboo, galvanized iron, or treated wood, provides scientific guidance on cage management.

Management of Floating and Sinking Feeds

 Describes the main types of feeds, their characteristics, and when to use floating or sinking varieties, feed formulation, ration adjustment, basic feeding strategies, FCR etc.

Fish Health and Disease Management in Cage Culture

 Highlights preventive health measures, including maintaining good water quality and biosecurity practices, symptoms, early detection and control measures.

Socio-Economic Aspects of Cage Culture

 Discusses the role of cage culture in creating jobs, supporting small-scale enterprises, and improving incomes in fishing communities, gender inclusion, licensing requirements.

Economics and Emerging Technologies in Cage Farming

 Guides farmers on how to prepare cost-benefit analyses and develop simple business plans for cage aquaculture, IoT-based monitoring systems to improve feeding efficiency, water quality observation, and overall farm management.

Eligibility and Selection Criteria

This training programme is open to all students, research scholars, scientists, and faculty members in fisheries science and allied fields.

How to Apply

Interested personnel may apply through proper channel along with duly filled registration form. The fee can be paid in form of Demand draft/NEFT/RTGS in favour of "ICAR Unit CIFRI" payable at Bank Account Number: 11278713220 at State Bank of India, Barrackpore Branch (IFSC code: SBIN0000029), Kolkata-700120, West Bengal.

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Course Fee

Registration fee: Rs. 2500/-

No TA/DA will be provided. The participant may avail the boarding / lodging facility of the institute as per the tariff of ICAR-CIFRI.

Important Date:

Last date of receipt of application at ICAR-CIFRI: September 20, 2025.