

ICAR-CICFR TRAINING CALENDAR 2025-26



Indian Council of Agricultural Research
Central Institute of Coldwater Fisheries Research

Bhimtal 263136, Nainital, Uttarakhand



Coldwater fisheries occupy an important place in fisheries sector of India. The country is bestowed with vast and diverse coldwater fishery resources which are spread over the Himalayan and peninsular regions as upland rivers, streams, high and low altitude natural lakes and reservoirs comprising an overall area of 5,33,604 km2. In recent years, coldwater fisheries in India has been gaining further significance and has also been identified as one of the important sectors which can contribute nutritional security of mountainous region of the Himalayan states. These coldwater resources are known to harbour a diverse group of fishes belonging to 258 species, 76 genera and 21 families constituting approximately 17 percent of the total fish fauna of the country.

In order to utilize the available resources and opportunities in the coldwater fisheries sector, Indian Council of Agricultural Research established National Research Centre on Coldwater Fisheries (NRCCWF) on September 24, 1987. Since its inception, center has made significant contribution for proper appraisal of coldwater fishery resources and developed suitable technologies to propagate important coldwater fish species in hills. This center was upgraded to Central Institute of Coldwater Fisheries Research. ICAR-CICFR, Bhimtal as a nodal institute for cold water fisheries research and development has immensely contributed in the area of basic, strategic and applied research, extension activities, hill aquaculture and resource assessment. It was established with the following mandate.

Mandate:

- To conduct basic, strategic and applied research in Coldwater fisheries and aquaculture
- To act as repository of hill fisheries resources
- Human resource development through training, education and extension





- 1. Resource Assessment and Management
- 2. Aquaculture oriented Research and Development
- 3. Fish Nutrition and Feed Development
- 4. Molecular Genetics and Biotechnology
- 5. Disease Surveillance and Health Management
- 6. Human Resource Development

Facilities available:

- Well-equipped laboratories to support research on geo-informatics, environmental fish biology, nutrition, nutritional physiology, molecular genetics, molecular biochemistry, biotechnology, fish cell culture, bacteriology and mycology.
- Flow through raceways
- Re-circulatory aquaculture system
- Hatchery
- Museum
- Library
- Well maintained aquarium open for public
- Guest house
- Committee rooms
- Auditorium
- A functional mahseer seed production unit
- Experimental field centre at Chhirapani, Champawat, Uttarakhand



Institute Training Programmes:

Training courses in different themes of coldwater fisheries are conducted throughout the year by the Institute as part of the extension activities. These training courses are designed and offered to the state fisheries department, extension personnel, students, farmers/fishermen, entrepreneurs and other stakeholders engaged in coldwater fisheries.

Nomination:

The interested candidates may send duly filled application (Annexure I) in respect of each course to In-charge Extension, ICAR-Central Institute of Coldwater Fisheries, Bhimtal, 263136. Applications should reach 15 days in advance before the commencement of the training programme for consideration. The soft copy of the application can also be submitted through e-mail to extensiondcfr@gmail.com. The selected candidates will be intimated by post/e-mail and they should report on the first day of the commencement of the training course.

Course Fee

S.No	Training Duration	Training Fees	Training Fees (for students)
1	3 Days Training Programme	4000 + 18 % GST	2000 + 18 % GST
2	5 Days Training Programme	5500 + 18 % GST	2500 + 18 % GST
3	7 Days Training Programme	6500 + 18 % GST	3000 + 18 % GST





Payment and Receipt

Digital or bank account transfer will be preferred. Institute will issue bill for the payment made by the participants or sponsoring agency accordingly.

Travel

The expenditure on travel has to be borne by the sponsoring authority or by the candidates themselves.

Boarding and Lodging

Boarding and lodging has to be borne by the trainee/participants/sponsoring agency and is not covered in the training fee. ICAR-CICFR guest house facility would be provided to trainees on payment basis as per the ICAR norms subject to availability. In case, ICAR-CICFR, guest house facility is not available, accommodation in local hotels will be arranged for trainees on payment basis.

Coordination:

Training courses will be coordinated by the programme coordinators for each course mentioned in the training calendar 2025-26 of ICAR-CICFR, Bhimtal. For any queries, course coordinators may be contacted through email IDs and phone numbers mentioned.

Medium of Instruction:

The medium of instruction will be English, in general. Hindi will be considered as required.

How to Reach:

ICAR-CICFR is located at Bhimtal at an altitude of 1470 m amsl in the district of Nainital of Uttarakhand state. It is about 25 km away from the famous tourist place of Nainital. The nearest railway station is Kathgodam, which is about 280 km from Delhi





S.No	Name of Training Program	Duration (in days)	Tentative Date	Program Coordinator
1	Applied techniques in coldwater fisheries research	7	03-09 April 2025	Dr. Neetu Shahi
2	Seed production and hatchery management of golden mahseer	3	16-18 September 2025	Dr. M. S Akhtar
3	Recirculating Aquaculture System for intensive farming of fish	5	17-21 November 2025	Dr. Rajesh M
4	Inactivated immersion vaccine for emerging bacterial pathogens of fish	5	24-28 November 2025	Dr. Neetu Shahi
5	Fish Cell Culture	3	01-03 December 2025	Dr. Amit Pande
6	Hill aquaculture practices and management	3	22-24 December 2025	Dr. S. Ali
7	Breeding and Seed Production of Rainbow Trout	5	02-06 Feb, 2026	Dr. Kishor Kunal
8	Nutrition and feeding management in mahseer	3	09-11 March 2026	Dr. Ciji Alexander



Training title			
Name of the candidate (in Capital Letters)			
Address of the Candidate with PIN CODE			
Date of Birth			
Gender			
Nationality			
Educational Qualification			
Farmer / Student / Others (Please specify)			
Designation if employed, name and address of the employer			
Mobile Number			
Email id			
Recommendations of the Competent Authority			
Signature of the Competent Authority			

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