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Union Minister of State for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Urged Scientists to focus on farmer-oriented research

15th June 2016, Kochi

Dr. Sanjeev Kumar Balyan, Union Minister of State for Agriculture and Farmers welfare visited the ICAR-Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute, Kochi today.

In an Interface Meeting with Kochi based institutes under Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Dr Balvan urged the scientists to focus on farmer-oriented research activities to improve the agriculture sector of the country. Long-term planning was required to formulate developmental projects aimed at boosting the agriculture and fish production in the country, he added. The Minister appreciated the contributions of ICAR-CMFRI in the development of sea cage farming and seed production technology for species such as cobia, silver pompano and orange spotted grouper.

Dr A. Gopalakrishnan, Director, ICAR-CMFRI briefed about Institute's recent activities and achievements. He also apprised of the on-going core activities and technologies developed by the various institutes

The Directors and scientists from local institutes under Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare's attended the meeting.

(Source: ICAR-Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute, Kochi)

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