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CMFRI initiative to empower fisherwomen begins



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The Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI) has launched phase-II of 'Theeranaipunya,' a two-month training programme for skill enhancement and capacity development among fisherwomen, in the State.

The CMFRI is organising the programme with support of the Society for Assistance to the Fisherwomen (SAF) under the Department of Fisheries.

'Theeranaipunya' focuses on skill development and imparting on-job training to girls hailing from the fishermen community. In the first month, training will be imparted to participants on higher education, job skills, personality development, leadership, entrepreneurship, communication skills and skill development for competitive examinations. The participants will also be given training at educational/technical institutions, companies, business firms and work places of their choice.

Almost all those participated in phase-I of the project, which was held in the February-April period this year, secured jobs according to their educational qualifications. The training programme was inaugurated by SAF executive director C R Satyavathi on Saturday.

CMFRI principal scientist and course director Shyam S Salim said the programme was part of the CMFRI's social responsibility initiatives. Around 70 faculty members from within and outside the Institute will lead classes on various subjects.