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Session on cyclone warning at CMFRI meet

'Majority of fishers unaware of weather forecasting services'

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An international symposium on 'Societal Applications in Fisheries and Aquaculture Using Remote Sensing Imagery (SAFARI)' to be organised by the Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI) here from January 15 to 17 will have a special session on ways to improve weather warning system for fishermen in Kerala. The special session is being organised in the wake of Cyclone Ockhi,

which left a trail of devastation and death in early December.

Fishermen, experts from the Indian Meteorological Department, scientists from the Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Service, Hyderabad, and officials from the Department of Fisheries will meet to analyse the efficacy of the system and to propose the required amendments for improving the facility, said a press release from CMFRI here on Tuesday.

Fisheries Minister J. Mercykutty Amma will inaugurate the special session at the SAFARI symposium.

A three-day training programme will be held from January 12 to 14 at the institute.