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Seaweed can fetch extra bucks to fishermen, says Smt. Krishna Raj

Smt. Krishna Raj, Union Minister of State for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare urged to accelerate research to promote seaweed farming which has multi dimensional industrial prospects, during her visit to ICAR-Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute, Kochi (ICAR-CMFRI) today.





Smt. Raj said seaweed cultivation will greatly be beneficial to the manufacturing of various Nutraceutical products, Medicines and Cosmetic products. It can also fetch extra income to fishermen, she added. She urged to organize village level campaigns to create awareness among the fishermen and farmers about the prospects of small scale entrepreneurship in fisheries sector. She called upon the scientists to implement innovative and diversified farming practices to woo more people into fish farming.

The minister also visited the National Marine Biodiversity Museum and inspected the research laboratories at the CMFRI. Scientists and other official of the institute were also present on this occasion.

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