

Scientists monitor cobia demonstration farm at Rajulalanka, AP

Dr.A.K.Abdul Nazar, Senior Scientist and Dr. R. Jayakumar, Senior Scientist, Mandapam Regional Center of CMFRI visited the Cobia demonstration farm at Rajulalanka, Narasapur, West Godavari District on 14th June 2012 and interacted with Mr. Vasu and Mr. Subbaraju, regarding the mortality problems encountered during the rearing of fingerlings of cobia. The farmers have expressed their continued interest in cobia farming. Cobia fingerlings had grown to around 100 grams size (approx. 350 nos.) and the grow-out is being continued. Later they visited pompano demonstration farm at Akkivedu, West



Feeding of Cobia fingerlings at the demonstration farm at Rajulalanka, WG District

Godavari District and interacted with the farm manager Mr. Murali. About 1,200

numbers of pompano weighing an average of 220grams are being reared in two pens erected inside the vannamei culture pond. The salinity of the pond was around 2ppt. The fishes are being fed with extruded floating pellet feed supplied by C.P. Aquaculture India Pvt. Ltd. As the salinity in the pond is very low, the growth of the fish is also very slow.



View of the pompano along with pen in the background

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