



# ICAR-CIFA Annual Training Calendar 2026-27



**ICAR-Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture**  
**Indian Council of Agricultural Research**

(An ISO 9001:2015 Certified Institute)

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## **About ICAR-CIFA**

The Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture (CIFA) is the 9<sup>th</sup> best premier research institute of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research. Over the years, this institute has spread its wings from a humble beginning as a Freshwater Aquaculture Research and Training Centre (FARTC) to the present day ICAR-CIFA, an institute of national importance and eminence in the freshwater aquaculture. This institute has immensely contributed nationally and internationally, with the advent of genetically improved rohu and catla, GI-scampi, new and innovative technologies for the culture of a diversified fish species, feed formulations for various freshwater fish species, disease diagnostics and therapeutics, cutting edge research and training for enhancing the skills of farmers and several other stake holders. We envisage to enhance the farmer's income through the development of eco-friendly technologies and economically viable fish and shellfish production systems, and also to make the Indian freshwater aquaculture as globally competitive for the livelihood and nutritional security. With its four Regional Research Centres (RRCs) at Rahara, West Bengal; Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh; Bengaluru, Karnataka, and Bathinda, Punjab, this institute caters the local and regional needs of the farmers and entrepreneurs.

In the present context of the "Atmanirbhar Bharat", enrichment of knowledge, enhancement of skills and empowerment of human resources are very critical, and for that ICAR-CIFA has signed MoUs with several research institutes and Universities. We have several cutting-edge research laboratories, huge farm facilities, highly qualified and experienced scientists, technical officers, administrative, financial and supporting staff. We are dedicated to help and support our stake holders, and we are prompt to respond to their queries. The Institute is also the Lead Centre on 'Carp Farming in India' under the Network of Aquaculture Centres in Asia-Pacific (NACA) operative under Food and Agriculture Organization of United Nation (FAO).

## **Institute Training Programmes**

ICAR-Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture conducts a wide range of training programmes throughout the year as part of its extension activities. These programmes are focused on different themes of freshwater aquaculture and are thoughtfully designed to cater to the needs of State Fisheries Department officials, extension personnel, students, farmers, entrepreneurs, researchers, NGOs, and other stakeholders involved in the aquaculture sector. The training aims to enhance technical knowledge, practical skills, and entrepreneurial capacity in freshwater aquaculture.

## **How to Apply?**

The interested candidates may submit their applications through our online portal [www.cifatraining.com](http://www.cifatraining.com) based on their interest and eligibility. Only Indian citizens are eligible to attend the trainings.

**Note:** Foreigners, NRIs, OIC card holders desire of attending any training programme may take prior permission from The Secretary (DARE) & Director General (ICAR) Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi 110 001. E-mail: dg.icar@nic.in

### **Payment of Training Course Fee**

We will send the payment link to only selected candidates in due course of time through your registered email ID. Payment method will be completely in online mode through Net banking/UPI/RTGS/NEFT transfer to ICAR-CIFA account. After making payment, please send your payment receipt to the training cell (cifa.training@gmail.com) for confirmation of your candidature. Candidates are advised not to pay the training course fee unless you are received the confirmation regarding the selection from ICAR-CIFA through your registered email id.

**Note: Payment of training course will be non-refundable, non-transferable and non-adjustable at any circumstances**

### **Travel**

The expenditure on travel, TA, DA, etc., has to be borne by the sponsoring authority / Organization or by the candidates themselves

### **Boarding and Lodging**

Boarding and lodging has to be borne by the trainee/participants/sponsoring agency and is not included in the training course fee. For ICAR-CIFA headquarters trainings; Kalinga Hostel facility would be provided to trainees on payment basis @ Rs.200/- per day per person (as per the ICAR norms) on triple sharing in AC rooms. For food charges approximate charges would be ~Rs.300/- per day per person on actual basis.

**Note: Limited** accommodation facility is available for training programmes being offered at our Regional Research Centers (RRCs) of Rahara and Bangalore. No accommodation facility available at RRCs Vijayawada and Bathinda, however, our team will guide you in availing near guest house/hotel accommodation.

### **Medium of Instruction**

The medium of instruction for the training programmes is generally English. However, Hindi may also be used as required to facilitate better understanding among participants.

### **How to reach CIFA?**

ICAR-CIFA is located near Uttara, Kausalyaganga, about 11 KM from Bhubaneswar Railway station and 12 KM from Biju Pattnaik International Airport. Ola, Uber and other public transport facilities like city bus services and auto are available from Airport and railway station.

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## Training Programmes to be Organized at ICAR-CIFA Headquarters, Bhubaneswar during 2026-27

Sl. No	Training Topic	Tentative schedule (dates)	Mode (Online / Offline)	Course Fee (in Rs)	Division	Team (Course Director)	Language	Targeted Participants	Max. intake Capacity
1	Breeding, Seed Production and Culture of Murrel and <i>Anabas</i>	6-10 July 2026	offline	6000	APED	Dr Rajesh Kumar & Team	English & Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	25
2	Breeding, seed production and culture of catfishes	20-24 July 2026	offline	6000	APED	Dr Lopamudra Sahoo & Team	English & Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	25
3	Feeds and Feeding management for commercially important Freshwater fishes	27-31 July 2026	offline	6000	FNPD	Dr S S Giri & Team	English & Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	25
4	Breeding, Seed Production and Culture of Giant Freshwater Prawn	03-07 Aug 2026	offline	6000	APED	Dr D Panda & Team	English & Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	25
5	National Training Programme on "Genetic Management of Carp Broodstock for Quality Seed Production	10-14 Aug 2026	offline	6000	FGBD	Dr J K Sundaray, Dr K Murmu, Mr A Rasal	English & Hindi	Farmers, Hatchery operators, entrepreneurs, Students, State Govt. officials, Academicians, etc.	25
6	Basics of fish farming in freshwater system	17-21 Aug 2026	offline	6000	APED	Dr P C Das & Team	English & Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	25
7	Breeding and Culture of Ornamental fishes	24-28 Aug 2026	offline	6000	APED	Dr C K Misra & Team	English & Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	25
8	Freshwater Pearl Farming for Entrepreneurship Development-I Batch	07-11 Sept 2026	offline	9000	APED	Dr S Saurabh & Team	English & Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	20
9	Biofloc Based Freshwater Fish Farming	21-25 Sept 2026	offline	6000	APED	Dr P C Das & Team	English & Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	25

10	Histological and Biochemical Techniques	05-08 Oct 2026	offline	5000	FGBD	Dr Uday K Udit & Team	English	Researchers, Students, Academicians	15
11	Feed Formulation and Feeding strategies for enhancing fish production	02-06 Nov 2026	offline	6000	FNPD	Dr S S Giri & Team	English & Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	25
12	Freshwater Pearl Farming for Entrepreneurship Development-II Batch	07-11 Dec 2026	offline	9000	APED	Dr S Saurabh & Team	English & Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	20
13	Off-season Breeding and Feed management for seed production	18-22 Jan 2026	offline	6000	FNPD	Dr S S Giri & Team	English & Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	25
14	Freshwater Pearl Farming for Entrepreneurship Development-III Batch	01-05 Feb 2027	offline	9000	APED	Dr S Saurabh & Team	English & Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	20
15	Diagnosis and treatment of common fish diseases	15-19 Feb 2027	offline	6000	FHMD	Dr. M Samanta & Team	English & Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	25

## Training Programmes to be Organized at RRCs of ICAR-CIFA during 2026-27

Sl. No	Training Topic	Tentative schedule (dates)	Mode (Online/Offline)	Course Fee	RRC name	Team (Course Director)	Language	Targeted Participants	Maximum intake Participants
<b>Regional Research Centre, Rahara, West Bengal</b>									
1	Breeding, Seed production and health management of Indian Major Carps and spiny eels	29 June-03 July 2026	Offline	5000	RRC, Rahara	Dr. Arabinda Das & Dr. Farhana Hoque	English, Hindi and Bengali	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	25
2	Scientific Pond Water Quality Testing and Management for Sustainable Aquaculture	14-17 July, 2026	Offline	5000	RRC, Rahara	Dr Subhas Sarkar & Team	English, Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	25
3	Breeding, Seed Production, Culture and health management of Pabda and Mystus	27-31 July 2026	Offline	5000	RRC, Rahara	Dr. Ajmal Hussan & Dr. Farhana Hoque	English, Hindi and Bengali	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	25
<b>Regional Research Centre, Bangalore, Karnataka</b>									
1	Hatchery seed production and culture of Indian Major Carps	20-24 July 2026	Offline	6000	RRC, Bengaluru	Dr Satheesha Avunje & Team	English, Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	15
2	Grow-out farming of carps	06-08 Oct 2026	Offline	5000	RRC, Bengaluru	Dr Satheesha Avunje & Team	English, Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	15
3	Hands-on training on ornamental fish production	02-04 Dec 2026	Offline	5000	RRC, Bengaluru	Dr. Vinay T.N & Team	English, Kannada and Hindi	Farmers, hobbyists, entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	15
<b>Regional Research Centre, Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh</b>									
1	Breeding and Seed production of Striped Catfish ( <i>Pangasius</i> )	27-29 July 2026	Offline	5000	RRC,Vijayawada	Dr.Ramesh Rathod & Team	English, Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	20
2	Breeding and Seed production of Red-bellied Pacu (Roopchand)	27-29 August 2026	Offline	5000	RRC,Vijayawada	Dr.Ramesh Rathod & Team	English, Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	20
3	Enhancement of pond productivity and fish production in Freshwater Aquaculture (Virtual Mode)	15-17 February 2027	Online	1200	RRC,Vijayawada	Dr.Ramesh Rathod & Team	English, Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	100

**Regional Research Centre, Bathinda, Punjab**

1	Breeding and culture of ornamental fishes with special reference to Northern India (Virtual Mode)	27-29 Oct 2026	Online	Rs5000	RRC, Bathinda	Dr Biswajit Dash & Team	English and Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	20
2	Culture of Commercially Important High Value Fishes in Northern India (Virtual Mode)	23-25 Feb 2027	Online	Rs 5000	RRC, Bathinda	Dr Biswajit Dash & Team	English and Hindi	Farmers, Entrepreneurs, State Govt. Officials, Academicians, Students and other Stake holders	20

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