

## 2.3 lakh fish fingerlings distributed



TEZU, May 28: Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Lohit district has distributed 2.3 lakh fish fingerlings to 116 fish farmers of 13 villages viz. Kherem, Gunanagar, Sensup, Solungtoo, Manmou, Nanam Khampti, Kengyo, Piyong, Podumoni, Dharampur, Lekang Guhain Goan, Silatoo Upper and Khoagi in three days duration, May 24-26, under the supervision of Dr Debasis Sasmal, SMS (Fishery Science).

The KVK also distributed 500Kg of lime for pre stocking management of fish seed ponds to maintain the water PH and for better survival of fish seeds after stocking, reduce the mortality rate and in turn increase the yield.

The fish seed distribution programme had been taken up under the on-farm-trail (OFT-spawn to fingerling/rice-fish farming in enclosure system) and front line demonstration programme (FLD-pig/cattle/duck cum fish culture/post monsoon culture of craps) of fishery science for the prospect in fishery sector and to change the feasible scenario in this area.

Actually, supplementary feeding to fishes is not generally practiced in Arunachal Pradesh by the fish farmers. So, in these technologies cattle, pig and duck excreta act as a supplementary feeds to fishes which in turn reduces the feed cost of the farmers and gives more production to the fish farmers.

The programme has been undertaken to convert the existing monoculture and polyculture type fish farming system to integrated farming and composite fish culture type to increase fish production and livelihood security of rural people living in the disadvantaged regions, it was stated in a release.