## Training Programme of rural youth on Aquaculture organized

10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> July 2024, Angul

A 2-day Training Programme of rural youth on aquaculture was organized by Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Angul, under the jurisdiction of ICAR-Agricultural Technology Application Research Institute (ATARI), Kolkata, in hybrid mode. The programme was organised to commemorate National Fish Farmers' Day, observed in remembrance of the discovery of induced breeding of carp species by Dr. H. L. Chaudhuri and Dr. K. H. Alikunhi, which revolutionized the Indian aquaculture industry.

Dr. Pradip Dey, Director of ICAR-ATARI, Kolkata, emphasized the vital role of fish in providing essential minerals, vitamins, and Poly Unsaturated Fatty Acids (PUFA) that support growth, brain function, and the nervous system in fetuses and infants. He highlighted the ascendancy of Indian Blue Revolution on the global stage, noting its status as a sunrise sector with an impressive double-digit average annual growth rate. Dr. Dey also deliberated on Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY), Sagar Mitras, Fish Farmers Producer Organizations (FFPOs) and Fisheries Infrastructure Development Fund (FIDF) for the benefit of participants.

Dr Debasis Mishra, Head, KVK, Angul highlighted the food security and livelihood support from fisheries for the rural poor of Angul district.

Shri Bijaya Kumar Sahu, Additional District Fisheries Officer, Angul deliberated on fisheries potential in Angul district.





A total of 20 fish farmers participated in the programme. Matsya Vikash Gosthi was also organized on the occasion to clear doubts of fish farmers. Leaflets in Odia on production of yearlings for higher income generation were distributed to the farmers.