

Aqua Clinics & Aquapreneurship Development Programmes (AC&ADP):

(a) Introduction:

The National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB) through the National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management (MANAGE), Rajendranagar, Hyderabad, a pioneer in the field of Agricultural Extension has envisaged an Aqua Clinics & Aquapreneurship Development Programme (AC&ADP) (on the lines of Agri Clinic & Agripreneurship) for the qualified Fisheries, Aquaculture, Marine Biology and Biological Sciences and Diploma holders in Fisheries and allied sectors. For carrying out training programmes MANAGE has identified Nodal Training Institutes (NTI's) in 17 States of the country having potential in fish farming. AC&ADP training programme structured for four weeks duration has residential classroom sessions and field visits to existing Aqua Clinics during the training periods. After completion of the training programme, MANAGE has provided the handholding support to successful trainees to establish an Aqua Clinic or Aqua One Centre under NFDB projects, in their respective places of choice.

(b) Objectives:

- To promote aquapreneurship development and self-employment
- To provide advisory and technical consultancy services to the farmers
- To support laboratories analysis such as soil, water and disease diagnosis
- To provide input supply in minimal cost and support market linkages
- To create awareness on recent developments in aquaculture technologies
- To educate them to familiarize with Govt. subsidiary schemes and other aquaculture development programmes
- To provide One Stop Solutions for aqua farmers through Aqua Clinics/Aqua One Centres (AOC)

(c) Technical Details:

Duration : 4 Weeks

No. of Participants per batch : 30 Nos.

Minimum qualification: Graduation in Fisheries, Aquaculture, Marine Biology and Biological Sciences and Diploma holders in Fisheries and allied sectors

Unit cost: Rs. 13.5 lakhs per batch

(d) Status:

During the financial year 2019-20, MANAGE was conducted 16 no. of AC & ADP training programmes and 478 no. Aquapreneurs were trained across the country. Each Nodal Training Institute wise breakup details are as follows:

Sl. No.	Name of the NTIs	State	Date of Trainings	Number of Participants Trained
1	College of Fisheries, Raha, AAU	Assam	27 th August to 25 th September, 2019	30
2	College of Fisheries, Lembucherra, CAU	Tripura	01 st to 28 th November, 2019	23
3	Fisheries Research Station (FRS), Palair	Telangana	15 th November to 14 th December, 2019	35
4	College of Fishery Science, NDVSU, Jabalpur	Madhya Pradesh	28 th November to 27 th December, 2019	30
5	FISHCOPFED, Bhubaneswar Centre	Odisha	3 rd January to 1 st February, 2020	36
6	College of Fisheries, Ratnagiri	Maharashtra	7 th January to 4 th February, 2020	24
7	WBUAFS, Kolkata	West Bengal	20 th January to 17 th February, 2020	25
8	College of Fishery Science, SVVU, Muthukur	Andhra Pradesh	21 st January to 17 th February, 2020	31
9	Fisheries Research Station (FRS), Undi	Andhra Pradesh	27 th January to 23 rd February, 2020	35
10	Dr. MGR Fisheries College & Research Institute, TNJFU, Ponneri	Tamil Nadu	28 th January to 24 th February, 2020	30
11	Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT), Cochin	Kerala	3 rd February to 2 nd March, 2020	32

12	Fisheries Polytechnic, SVVU, Bhavadhevarpalli	Andhra Pradesh	3 rd February to 2 nd March, 2020	30
13	College of Fisheries, Kawardha	Chhattishgarh	10 th February to 9 th March, 2020	30
14	State Institute of Fisheries Technology (SIFT), Kakinada	Andhra Pradesh	24 th February to 27 th March, 2020	28
15	CAS in Marine Biology, Annamalai University, Parangipettai	Tamil Nadu	26 th February to 24 th March, 2020	36
16	ICAR- CIFE Kolkata Centre	West Bengal	27 th February to 18 th March, 2020	23
Total number of participants from 16 programmes				478