

## Chai calls for streamlining planning & execution of Fisheries schemes

**ITANAGAR, Jun 5:** Fisheries minister Dr Mohesh Chai has called for streamlining the department's planning and execution of schemes taking sustainability factor into account while conceiving project proposals.

Addressing Fisheries department officials during a review and also interaction meeting here today, the minister lamented that the state having abundant aquaculture resources was still dependent on import of fishes to meet our consumption demand.

He said that the resources are to be tapped judiciously not only to meet the consumption demand

but for the economic benefit of the farmers as well.

He also suggested making the farming practice more market driven with adoption of latest culture techniques which will benefit doubling farmers' income.

The minister further emphasized on innovations specifically in culture practice, so as to attract more farmers into the sector and to develop entrepreneurship.

Dr Chair directed the department to develop a blueprint for enhancing production and productivity of table fish and fish seed in the state by adopting target based approach.

Fisheries parliamentary

secretary, Tatung Jamoh, while endorsing the view of the minister, called upon the department officials to follow the advice and work in a coordinated way to fulfill the aspirations of the farmers who are the ultimate beneficiary.

Among others, Fisheries secretary Geyum Padu, Fisheries director, Joyshil Taba and other department officials were present in the meeting.

A PowerPoint presentation on various activities being undertaken by the department including schemes proposed under SADA, RKVY, Blue Revolution and NEC for 2018-19 were presented during the meeting.