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Mega Fish Festival



CELEBRATING GOA'S RICH FISHING CULTURE



Dr. Pramod Sawant
Hon'ble Chief Minister of Goa

Date : 9th to 11th January 2026
Timing : 10.00 a.m to 10.00 p.m
Venue : D.B Bandodkar Ground,
Campal Panaji - Goa

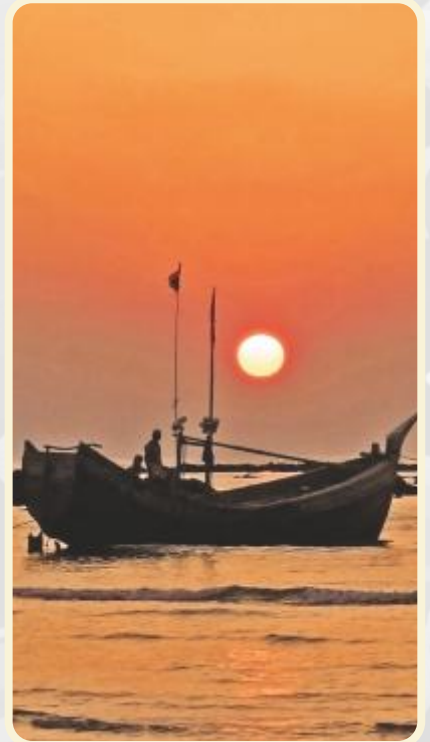


Shri Nilkanth Halarnkar
Hon'ble Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry &
Veterinary Services, Factories and Boilers

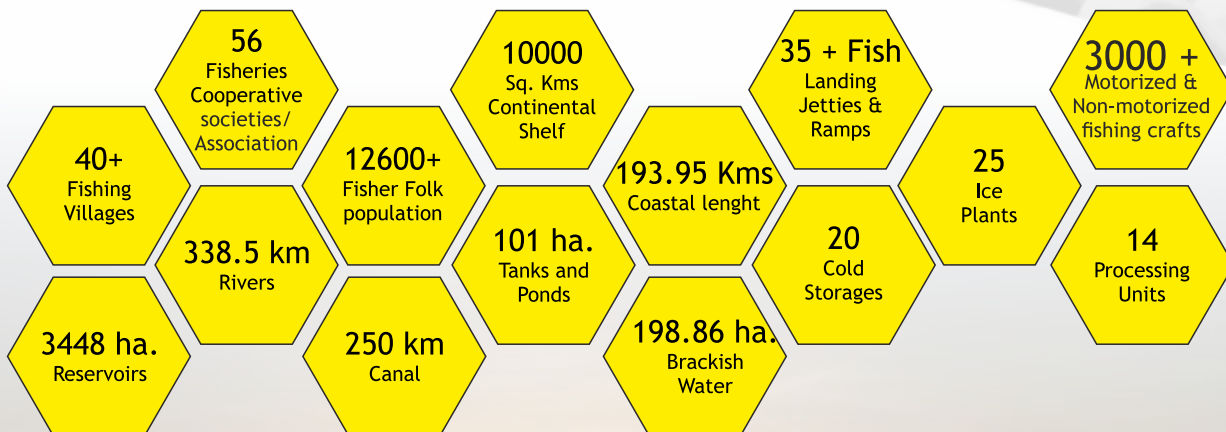
ABOUT THE DIRECTORATE OF FISHERIES, GOVERNMENT OF GOA

The Directorate of Fisheries, Government of Goa, serves as the nodal authority for the comprehensive management, regulation, and development of the State's Fisheries and Aquaculture sector. Headquartered in Panaji, it administers both marine and inland fisheries, implements welfare schemes for fisher communities, enforces fisheries legislation, and supports the creation and maintenance of essential infrastructure, including fish landing centres, cold storage units, and related facilities.

In addition, the Directorate promotes capacity-building through training programmes, financial assistance, and exposure visits for students, entrepreneurs, and other stakeholders. It actively encourages the adoption of sustainable and innovative practices such as mariculture, cage culture, and seaweed farming. By aligning its initiatives with national programmes, including the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY), the Directorate works towards building a modern, resilient, and environmentally responsible fisheries sector that prioritises community welfare and long-term sustainability.



GOA FISHERIES AT A GLANCE



VISION OF THE DEPARTMENT

Sustainable and responsible increase in fish production in the State while contributing towards social and economic growth of the Fisher's and Fish Farmers and ensuing nutritional security of the State.



Aims & Goals



Increase fish production in the State



Welfare of the fishermen



Manage and conserve the fisheries resources



Develop infrastructure facilities for inland and Marine Fisheries



Develop storage and marketing infrastructure



Enact the MFR Act 1980 and Rules 1981 and 1982



Impart training to fishermen and fish farmers



Develop Aquaculture in the State



AQUA GOA MEGA FISH FESTIVAL

Overview : The Aqua Goa Mega Fish Festival 2026 marks the 9th grand edition of Goa's largest fisheries and marine resource celebration. The festival showcases the state's commitment to strengthening the fisheries sector, blue economy, sustainable aquaculture, and livelihood opportunities, aligning with the vision of Swayampurna Goa.

Key Purpose of the Festival :

- Promote Goa's Fisheries Sector
- Marine Biodiversity.
- Technological Advancements
- Entrepreneurial Opportunities.
- B2B Networking
- Public Awareness

OBJECTIVES OF THE EVENT

1

Promote Fisheries Sector Growth

- Showcase modern technologies, market linkages, and innovations to strengthen traditional and commercial fisheries.



2

Empower Fisherfolk & Entrepreneurs

- Promotion of Government schemes
- Access to various trainings, and new business models.



3

Boost Goa's Blue Economy

- Highlight opportunities in aquaculture, tourism-linked fisheries, fish processing & exports.



4

Create a Knowledge & Networking Platform

- Bring together policymakers, researchers, technologists, investors & industry leaders.



5

Educate the Public

- Encourage awareness on marine conservation, ornamental fish keeping, and responsible seafood consumption.



Explore, Connect, Grow - Attractions & Opportunities

MAJOR ATTRACTIONS & HIGHLIGHTS

National Conference on "Fisheries & Aquaculture"

To discuss and develop strategies for

- Strengthening Fisheries Governance Frameworks
- Promoting Biodiversity Conservation in Aquatic Ecosystems
- Encouraging Sustainable and Climate Resilient Aquaculture Practices



Grand Aquarium Gallery (Prime Attraction)

- Over 100+ species of ornamental and marine fish.
- Thematic tanks showcasing underwater ecosystems.
- Educational panels for students and general visitors.



Public Engagement Zone

- Interactive workshops for Youth, Students, Entrepreneurs, Fishermen and Fish farmers.
- Marine knowledge games & quiz.
- Kids' aquatic play zone & fish-art activities.



Trade Fair

- Shell Space & Raw Space options for exhibitors.
- Companies from sectors :
Aquaculture, Fisheries Equipment, Feed, Ornamental Fish Traders, Technology Providers, Marine Startups.



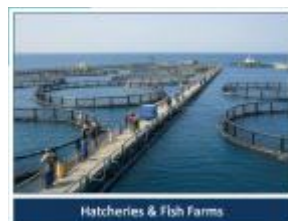
Cultural Evenings & Entertainment

- Live Goan cultural performances, folk dances & music.
- Food court serving authentic Goan cuisine & fusion seafood delicacies.



EXHIBITOR PROFILE

- Aquaculture Equipment Manufacturers
- Hatcheries & Fish Farms
- Ornamental Fish Traders & Breeders
- Marine Technology Providers
- Fish Processing Machinery Suppliers
- Seafood Companies
- Universities & Research Institutes
- Government Boards & Development Agencies
- Fishermen & Fish Farmers



Hatcheries & Fish Farms



Universities & Research Institutes Government Boards



Ornamental Fish Traders & Breeders



Fish Processing Machinery Suppliers

WHY EXHIBIT ?

- Exhibitors gain exclusive advantages :

Direct Access to Target Buyers

- Fisheries dealers, hatcheries, exporters, fish farmers, hobbyists & retailers.

Build Partnerships & Distribution Networks

- Meet Government Departments, private sector investors, and B2B clients.

Launch New Technologies & Products

- Ideal platform to unveil equipment, systems & innovations.



NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON “FISHERIES & AQUACULTURE”

A national conference aims to bring together policymakers, scientists, researchers, industry stakeholders, and community representatives to discuss and develop strategies for :

- Strengthening fisheries governance frameworks
- Promoting Biodiversity conservation in aquatic ecosystems
- Encouraging sustainable and climate-resilient Aquaculture practices

The conference will serve as a platform for knowledge exchange, collaboration, and capacity building among policymakers, researchers, industry leaders, and community representatives, aimed at benefiting fishermen, aquaculture farmers, entrepreneurs, researchers, students, and the general public in collaboration with NFDB, ICAR-CCARI, ICAR-CIBA, ICAR-CMFRI, NABARD, and Sea Food Association - Goa Chapter.

Day 1 - 09 January 2026 (Time 11.30 am to 12.30 p.m.)

**Conserving Marine Resources, Sustaining Lives :
An Integrated Approach to Fisheries Management and
Marine Conservation**

Day 2 - 10 January 2026 (Time 10.30 am to 12.30 p.m.)

**Innovations in the Blue Revolution :
Towards Sustainable Inland Aquaculture and Mariculture**

Day 3 - 11 January 2026 (Time 10.30 am to 12.30 p.m.)

**From Ocean to Table:
Advancing Sustainable Seafood through integrating Green
Technologies, Certification, and Market Transformation**

WHO SHOULD ATTEND :

- Academic Researchers
- Consultants
- Educational Program Coordinators
- Environmental Advocates
- Fishery Scientists
- Marine Biologists
- Marine Policy Analysts
- Policy Makers, Regulatory and Compliance Officers



Poster Presentation

Aqua Goa Mega Fish Festival offers a unique platform for researchers, industry professionals, and academicians to showcase their innovative work through poster presentations. This session is designed to highlight cutting-edge research, emerging trends, and industry advancements in the fisheries, aquaculture, seafood processing, sustainability, and trade sectors.

Category & Topics

Time of Presentation : 12:30 pm to 1:00 pm

Category -I

Students, Researchers & Academicians are invited to submit posters on:

**Day 1 -
09 January 2026**

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and Marine Conservation**

**Day 2 -
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**Day 3 -
11 January 2026**

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Category -II

Fish farmers / Fishermen / Entrepreneurs are invited to submit posters on:

**All
Three Days**

**Success Stories Under
PMMSY**

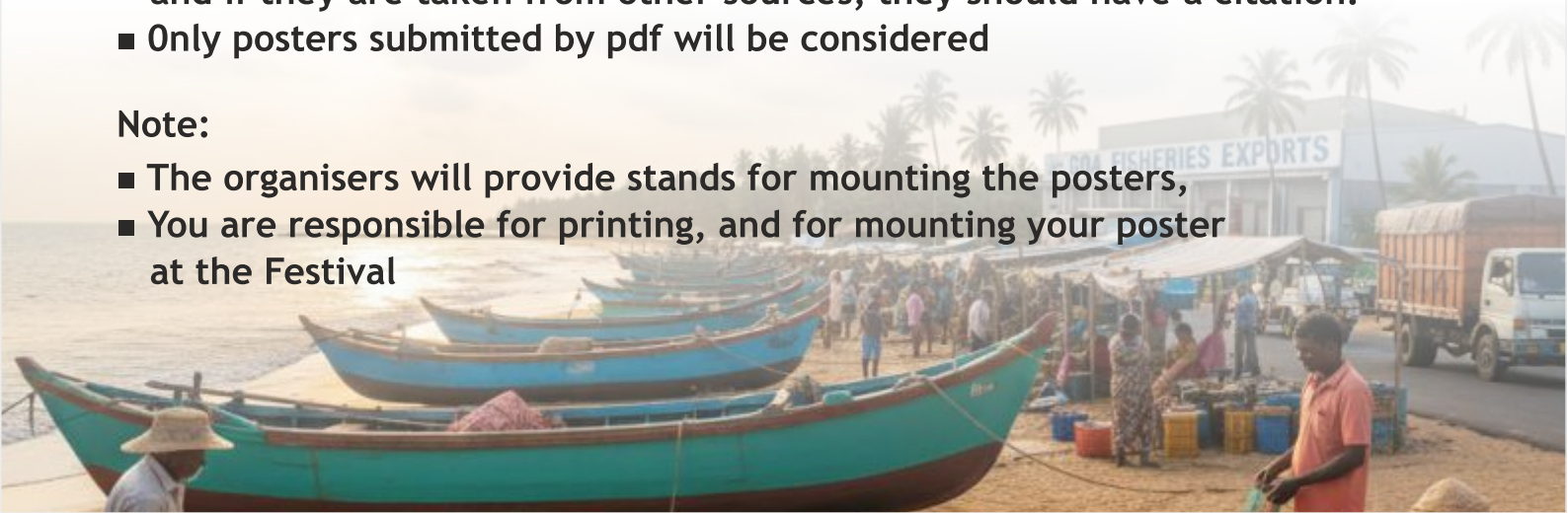
Terms & Conditions :

Posters should meet the following specifications

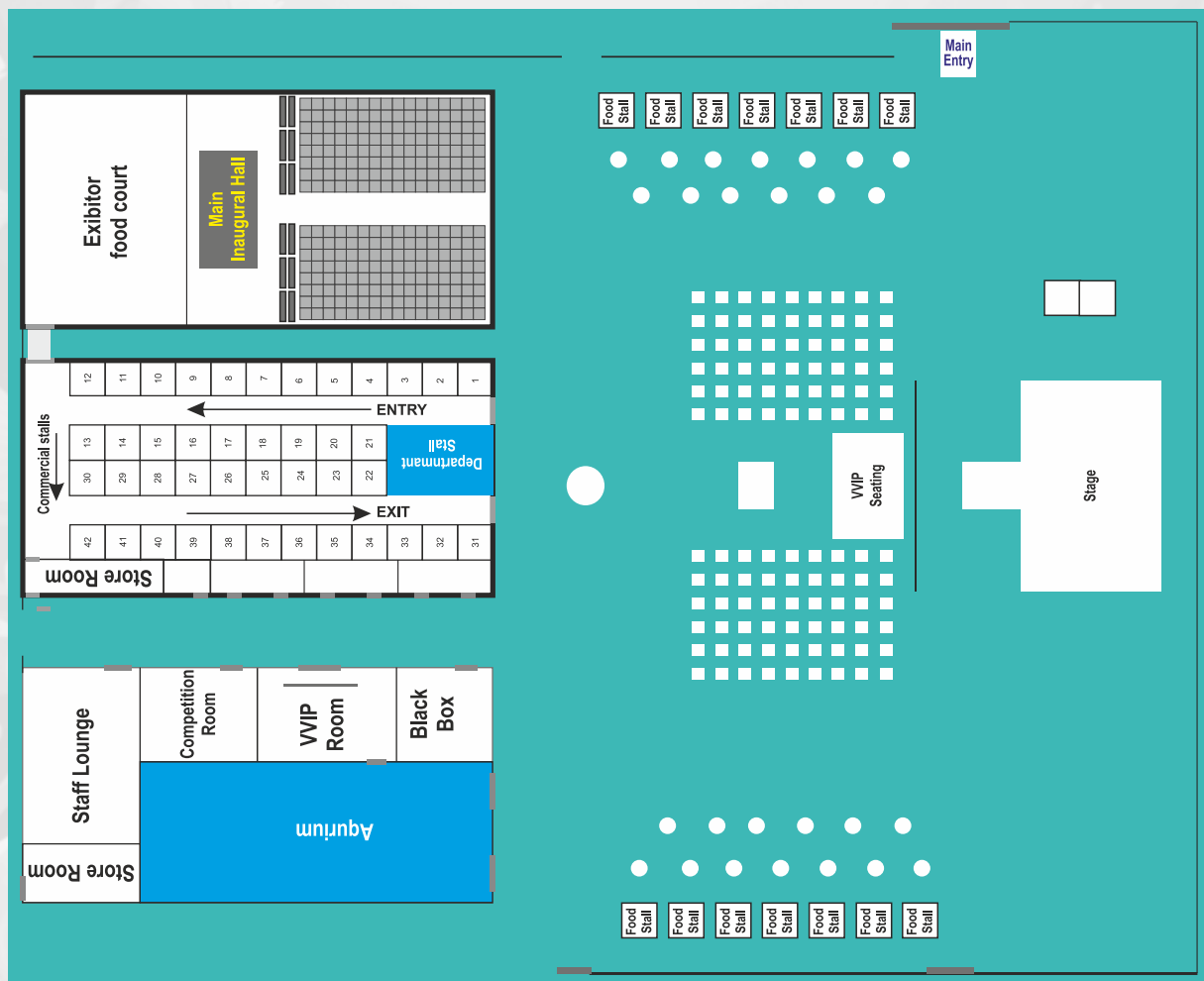
- Print posts in AO size portrait format (90 cm wide and 120cm high)
- Key references and bibliography should be included,
- Ensure that any images or figures included on your poster are captioned and if they are taken from other sources, they should have a citation.
- Only posters submitted by pdf will be considered

Note:

- The organisers will provide stands for mounting the posters,
- You are responsible for printing, and for mounting your poster at the Festival



Venue Layout



Near By Hotels

A

Fortune Miramar
0832-6637300

Novotel
0832-6907000

Goa Marriott Resort & Spa
0832-6656000

The Crown Goa
0832-2400000

Vivanta Goa, Panaji
0832-6633636

Hotel Fidalgo
9158885052

B

The International Centre
9765404395

Varanda Do Mar
07447476662

The Crescent Panaji
7774063592

Minimalist Panaji
9289854325

Treehouse Neptune, Panaji
9028086662

Panaji Residency
0832-2223396

Ginger Goa, Panaji
9292928787

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Hotel Campal
0832-2238888

FabHotel Manoshanti
7042424242

Miramar Residency
0832-2464154

Orion Premiere Hotel
7767888842

Hotel Rajdhani
0832-2225362

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Schedule

Day – 1 : Friday, 9th January 2026

10:00 am - 10:30 am	Inaugural Ceremony of the National Conference, B2B & Aquarium Gallery
11:30 am - 12:30 pm	National Conference on topic: Conserving Marine Resources, Sustaining Lives: An Integrated Approach to Fisheries Management and Marine Conservation.
12:30 pm – 1:00 pm	Poster Presentation
3:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Exclusive Competitions for Department staff - Tote bag painting, Treasure Hunt & Glass bottle painting.
6:30 pm – 10:00 pm	Formal Opening Ceremony (Main Stage) and Variety of Entertainment programs include Music Performances Goan Folk & Bollywood Dance performances & Live Band

Day – 2 : Saturday, 10th January 2026

10:30 am - 12:30 pm	National Conference on topic: Innovations in the Blue Revolution: Towards Sustainable Inland Aquaculture and Mariculture.
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	Poster Presentation
3:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Exclusive Competitions for Kids and Adults – Group Dance Competition, Best out of Waste, Photography Competition & Face Painting
6:30 pm – 10:00 pm	Variety of Entertainment programs that include Music Performances Goan Folk & Bollywood Dance performances & Live Band

Day – 3 : Sunday, 11th January 2026

10:30 am - 12:30 pm	National Conference on topic : From Ocean to Table: Advancing Sustainable Seafood through integrating Green Technologies, Certification, and Market Transformation
12:30 pm - 1:00 pm	Poster Presentation
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Exclusive Competitions for Kids and Adults – Fancy Dress, Boat Making, Reel making/vlog, Drawing, Poster making & Cooking Competitions
6:30 pm - 10:00 pm	Closing Ceremony & Variety of Entertainment programs that include Live Music Performance, Fashion show, dance performances & Live Band

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