



Enhanced Coastal Fisheries in Bangladesh (ECOFISH II) Activity

Seminar on Seaweeds & Green Mussels Farming and Blue Food Festival

Venue:

Seagull Hotel (Sea Beach, Sugandha Point, Hotel Motel Zone, Cox's Bazar)

Date:

March 19, 2022

Objectives:

- Demonstrate ECOFISH II activities on seaweed and green mussels farming and marketing over last three-years
- Familiarize the participants and general consumers with various seaweeds and green mussels' cuisines
- Encourage the local fishing community to engage in seaweeds farming
- Involve the private sector in the processing of seaweeds and green mussels focusing on ready to eat human foods, cosmetics, fish/poultry feed supplements, and other products development

Seminar participants:

Seaweed farmers, Traders, Consumers, Processors, Chefs, Academicians, Practitioners, Researchers and private sector

Chief Guest:

Emeritus Professor Dr. Md. Abdus Sattar Mandal, Former Vice-Chancellor, Bangladesh Agricultural University, Mymensingh, and Member, Planning Commission, GED, Bangladesh government

Chair:

Professor (Rtd.) Dr. Md. Abdul Wahab, Team Leader, ECOFISH II, WorldFish Bangladesh

Schedule:

Sl. No	Time	Name of Activities	Remarks/Facilitator
1	09:00 AM - 9:30 AM	Registration	M. Mahbubul Islam, Project Manager, ECOFISH II & Ms. Shanjida Akter, Administrative Officer, WorldFish
2	9:30 AM - 9:40 AM	Welcome Speech and Seminar objectives	Dr. Md. Nahiduzzaman, Scientist (Resilience & Coordination), ECOFISH II
3	9:40 AM - 9:50 AM	An introduction to USAID/ECOFISH II Activity	Dr. Md. Jalilur Rahman, Scientist (Fish Population Biologist), ECOFISH II

4	9:50 AM - 10:20 AM	Seaweeds farming in Bangladesh: WorldFish achievements	Dr. Md. Asaduzzaman, Chattogram Veterinary and Animal Sciences University (CVASU)
5	10:20 AM - 10:35 AM	Potential of Green Mussels farming in Bangladesh	M. Arifur Rahman, Research Associate, ECOFISH II, WorldFish
6	10:35 AM - 10:50 AM	Diversified blue food products: Business opportunities and market linkages	Mr. Omar Hasan, CEO, Falcon International Ltd.
7	10:50 AM - 11:00 AM	Seaweeds & Green Mussels Documentary	ECOFISH II Communication Team
8	11:00 AM - 11:20 AM	Break	
9	11:20 AM - 11:30 AM	Remarks from the discussant	Mrs. Zahanara Begum, Chairman Zahanara Green Agro, Cox's Bazar
10	11:30 AM - 11:40 AM	Remarks from the discussant	Dr. Abdullah Al Mamun Professor & Chairman, Noakhali Science and Technology University (NSTU)
11	11:40 AM - 11:50 AM	Remarks from the discussant	Dr. Kazi Ahsan Habib Professor, Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University (SAU)
12	11:50 AM - 12:00 PM	Remarks from the discussant	Dr. Muhammad Tanvir Hossain Chowdhury, Deputy Chief (Marine), Department of Fisheries
13	12:00 PM - 12:10 PM	Remarks from the discussant	Dr. Mostafa Ali Reza Hossain Professor of Aquatic Biodiversity & Climate Change, Bangladesh Agricultural University (BAU)
14	12:10 PM - 12:30 PM	Open Discussion	Seminar chair
15	12:30 PM - 12:40 PM	Speech from the Special Guest (Virtual)	Mr. Ashraful Haque Project Management Specialist – Environment Office of Economic Growth, USAID/Bangladesh
16	12:40 PM - 12:50 PM	Speech from the Special Guest	Dr. Md. Sharif Uddin Director (Marine), Department of Fisheries, Chattogram
17	12:50 PM - 01:00 PM	Speech from the Special Guest	Captain M Minarul Hoque, (H), BCGM, psc, BN, Director General Bangladesh Institute of Maritime Research and Development (BIMRAD)
18	01:00 PM – 01:15 PM	Speech from the Chief Guest	Emeritus Professor Dr. Md. Abdus Sattar Mandal Former Vice-Chancellor, Bangladesh Agricultural University (BAU), Mymensingh, & Member, Planning Commission, GED, Bangladesh government
19	01:15 PM-01:25 PM	Closing remarks	Professor (Rtd.) Dr. Md. Abdul Wahab, Team Leader, ECOFISH II, WorldFish Bangladesh
20	01:25 PM-03:20 PM	Blue Food & Products Assessment; Prize Distribution & LUNCHEON	