

Participation of Visakhapatnam Base of Fishery Survey of India, Visakhapatnam in 15th Folk Fair & 8th Krishi Fair

The Sreekhetra Soochana, Puri a non-governmental organisation has organised **15th Folk Fair & 8th Krishi Fair** at the Mukதாகash Rangamanch, Saradhabali, Puri, during 15th - 19th May 2017. The aim of the participation was to disseminate the information on the survey findings of Fishery Survey of India as well as to provide hands on information on the precautionary measures to be taken while at sea and also to sensitize the local fishermen on the CCRF theme for sustainability in fisheries.

The workshop was inaugurated by Dr. Damodar Rout, Minister of Agriculture and Farmer's Empowerment, Fisheries & Animal Resources Development and Public Enterprise, Govt. of Odisha. Shri Rajesh Kumar Mohanty, General Secretary, Shree Sreekhetra Soochana, Puri welcomed the gathering and the function was presided over by Capt. Prabhakar Satpathy, President, Sreekhetra Soochana, Puri

The other dignitaries present during the occasion were Dr. Surendranath Pashupalak, Vice Chancellor, Odisha University of Agriculture and Training, Shri Krushnachandra Panigrahi, General Manager, National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development, Dr. Tirupati Panigrahi, Chairman, Hi-Teck Group, Dr. Binay Kumar Behera, Director General of Police, Govt. of Odisha, Shri Udhab Majhi, Managing Director, DRDA, and Shri Bijaya Kumar Mishra, President, Puri Advocate Association.

Visakhapatnam Base of FSI represented the institute in the said event by setting up an exhibition stall, displaying the charts of various organisational activities translated in the regional language Odia, photographs of various eco-friendly fishing methods and gears and also the Code of Conduct for the Responsible Fisheries (CCRF) translated in the regional language for the benefit of the visitors. All the dignitaries along with general public comprising of active fishermen, farmers, representatives of various co-operative societies, researchers and academicians, school and college students visited the stall exhibited by the Base. The scientists from Base briefed about the institutional objective, goals & activities. The brochures in the regional language Odia and institute's profile were distributed to the visitors.

The Doordarshan team Bhubaneswar along with other private TV channels covered the entire event as well as the FSI exhibition stall.

