

Pearl farming starts in Raha



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RAHA : Jongal Balahu Garh fish farm in Raha has become the first in state to start pearl farming. The largest fish farm in the state has started pearl farming in an experimental basis in its ponds that have been earlier used only for cultivating Indian major carps.

The project was inaugurated by Nagaon deputy commissioner Nisarg Hivare , IAS , on Sunday. He also chaired the function organised on the occasion at the farm premises.

Hivare , in his speech lauded the initiative taken up by the fishery department and believed that the new culture could bring a change to the fish farm and play a major role in spreading awareness of pearl culture , especially among the younger generation interested in pearl farming.

He further thanked the fishery department , J B Garh fish farm officials and Nagaon district fishery officer Dr Ramendra Barman for taking the lead in disseminating pearl culture technology to the fish farmers in the district.

The inauguration function was also attended by Nirmal Kanti Debnath , Director of Fisheries, Assam , Dr. Ramendra Barman , district fishery officer , Nagaon , Dr. Binod Kalita , Dean , College of Fisheries, AAU, Raha.

Bulen Hazarika , the pioneer of pearl cultivation in Nagaon district also attended the inaugural programme among others.

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