FISH FEED MANUFACTURING

Course Objectives:

- To understand the basic principle of fish nutrition
- To identify the conventional and unconventional feed ingredient
- To understand the nutritional requirement of fishes
- To prepare the feed formulation
- To understand the feed manufacturing process

UNIT-1 Fish Nutrition: Protein nutrition, Lipid nutrition, Carbohydrate nutrition, Vitamin nutrition, Mineral nutrition - Functions and their classification, Utilization by fish, Evaluation criteria, Deficiency symptoms; Live feed for Larval and Broodstock nutrition.

UNIT-2 Feed Ingredients: Feed production trend; conventional feed ingredients; unconventional feed ingredients; single cell proteins, leaf protein concentrates, gluten meal and additives ; Anti nutritional factors- methods of detection and detoxification process.

UNIT-3 Nutritional Requirements: Body composition of finfish and shellfish; Methods of qualitative and quantitative requirements of nutrients for finfish and shellfish; Growth evaluation- FCR, SGR, Absolute and Relative growth; Factors affecting nutritional requirements.

UNIT-4 Feed Formulation: General principles; Pearson's methods, and computerized least coast feed formulation method for aqua feed formulation; Types of feeds- dry feeds- non-dry feeds.

UNIT-5 Feed Manufacturing process: Grinding, Homogenization, conditioning, pelleting, Cooling or Drying, crumbling, coating / top dressing. Feed storage- water stability of feed, feed spoilage; Quality control and evaluation, shipping.

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FAO training manual related to feed analysis.

Course outcomes:

After completion of the course, students will be able to

- discuss the nutritional composition of feed ingredients and limiting nutrients that cause diseases
- select the ingredients for feed preparation according to nutritional needs for fishes
- identify the nutritional requirements of finfish and shellfish
- prepare the nutritional balance feed for fishes using different feed formulation methods
- discuss the feed manufacturing process