

CAA INPUT REGISTRATION EASY TO USE WEBPAGE

Rejection of Indian consignments of shrimps in European and American ports have necessitated production and exports of shrimps farmed with Coastal Aquaculture inputs free of antibiotics. The Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (DADF) of the Union Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare and the CAA have been initiating several efforts to address this issue. The Authority started registering coastal aquaculture inputs under eight categories only if the sample was certified by the NABL accredited laboratories to be free of banned antibiotics from 2015. So far, the Authority has registered around 2000 products under eight categories. Shrimp farmers and hatcheries have been directed to use this product. However, the registration is currently voluntary process and the Authority is contemplating to make it mandatory soon.

The list of Coastal Aquaculture inputs certified to be free of antibiotics is posted in the Authority website <http://caa.gov.in> as pdf documents. Searching a product or company in the documents is difficult and therefore the CAA initiated action to make available data user friendly.

CAA developed a webpage link in its website for searching the database on coastal aquaculture inputs either for a product or company for a particular aquaculture input. The webpage was launched at the Conference Hall, CAA on 1st August, 2018 by Dr. Santhanakrishnan, Former SAP President in the presence of all staff members of CAA.

Lauding the development of webpage, Dr. Santhanakrishnan said that it showcases farmer friendly initiative of the CAA. It brings in a lot of transparency in the registration of coastal aquaculture inputs and popularise its usage in aquaculture. He congratulated the CAA for this e-initiative. Dr.C.Gopal, Member Secretary, CAA said that this initiative is to bring discipline in terms of usage of inputs in aquaculture. Dr.R.Jayaraman, Director, CAA emphasised on the need to produce and export of shrimps and other sea foods free of antibiotics for sustainable coastal aquaculture and livelihood security of the stakeholder.

Webpage link (http://caa.gov.in/product/products/product_search)



