

Synopsis

Fisheries sector plays key role in Sri Lanka's social and economy. It contributes nearly 2.7 percent to Sri Lanka GDP (www.fisheries.gov).

Sea bass (*Lates calcarifer*), is an economically important food fish and is successfully used in brackish and fresh water aquaculture. It has a good marketable demand & value within the country and internationally. Good fingerlings production is major problem in the country. Rotifers identified as suitable diet for Seabass larvae. *Nannochloropsis oculata* is the best live feed for rotifers. Aqua N Green is the pioneer in the sea bass breeding and is the first who cultivate tropical fish in cages in lagoons in Sri Lanka.

The training program was concentrated on following areas.

- To get handover experience of working procedures of plankton section of the hatchery
- Brood stock management and larval rearing of sea bass
- Familiarization of purchasing, stock management and maintenance
- Functions, responsibilities and importance of the each section of the establishment

The training program covered the whole process of the establishment and above expectations was achieved through active involvements of the processes in the establishment with advice and guidance provided by the responsible people in the relevant sections.