# **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

### HOW TO PAY THE TRAINING FEE?

Payment can be done upon registration or online deposit via SEAFDEC/AQD's nominated bank in Iloilo City, Philippines. Credit card payments are not accepted.

### WHAT ARE INCLUDED IN THE TRAINING FEE?

The training fee is inclusive of the registration fee, training kit & materials, airport pick-up & send-off services, and field trips (optional). Airfare, food, accommodation, and other related expenses are NOT included.

### WHAT ARE THE TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS?

Airport pick-up will only be arranged for those who can make it on the scheduled day (single trip only). The same arrangement goes for the airport send-off.

### WHAT ARE THE PASSPORT/VISA REQUIREMENT?

You must secure a valid passport good for the duration of the course and if required, a 47 (A)2 or 9(A) travel visa for entry to the Philippines if the stay exceeds 30 days. Participants are responsible for visa and related fees.

### **DO YOU ISSUE A CERTIFICATE?**

A Certificate of Training will be awarded after the course. A separate Certificate of Appearance or Participation can also be availed upon request.

# ATTEND OUR HANDS-ON TRAINING!

### To apply, kindly contact:

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SOUTHEAST ASIAN FISHERIES DEVELOPMENT CENTER AQUACULTURE DEPARTMENT

# Training Course on Catfish Hatchery and Grow-out Operations



# The 5-day training course consists of



Lectures



Hands-on





practical sessions



Grow-out operations



# **ABOUT THE TRAINING**

### Why join the catfish training course?

- Catfish can be cultured with minimum inputs.
- Catfish has high tolerance to poor water quality.

# What can be learned from the course?

Participants will gain technical knowledge and skills on broodstock management, induced spawning, nursery, and grow-out culture of catfish.

### **Course objectives**

- 1. To be able to select suitable sites for the establishment of a hatchery, nursery, and grow-out culture systems of catfish.
- 2. To learn the techniques for induced breeding of the species.
- 3. To mass produce high quality fingerlings in the hatchery.
- 4. To grow the species in nursery and grow-out culture systems.
- 5. To learn how to monitor water quality parameters in the culture system and its management.
- 6. To be knowledgeable on diseases affecting catfish, diagnosis, prevention and control.

### What to expect at the training center?

SEAFDEC/AQD training courses on freshwater species are conducted at Binangonan Freshwater Station (BFS) that is equipped with lecture rooms, laboratories, hatchery, land-based tanks, and lake-based cages. BFS also has a library that the trainees can use for their research.

#### ACCOMMODATION

The accommodation cost is not included in the training fee but lodging at the duplex house units in SEAFDEC/AQD's Binangonan Freshwater Station is recommended. Each unit has two air-conditioned bedrooms (two single beds per bedroom), a bathroom, a living area, and dining space. All units are furnished with a television and refrigerator. A washing machine is also provided for communal use. For more details and reservations, please contact Ms. Evangeline Goto at 09978992278 or e-mail egoto@seafdec.org.ph.

### FOOD

Food can be arranged from local cook or food caterer on a per order basis. Trainees can also cook food on their own, since cooking wares and utensils are provided in each unit. Training applicants are advised to make prior arrangements since there is no canteen inside the station or restaurants nearby.

### TRANSPORTATION

From Mandaluyong City, participants may take UV Express Van bound for Binangonan, Rizal at the Starmall terminal (near the MRT Shaw Boulevard Station). Get off at the University of Rizal System (URS) or Municipal Hall of Binangonan and take a tricycle or jeepney going to the Binangonan fishport. For those who will bring their own car, a parking area at Barangay Hall of Libis (near the Binangonan fishport) is available for a reasonable fee. Estimated travel time from Mandaluyong City to Binangonan is two hours. Boat shuttle service from Binangonan fishport to the training venue is provided on the day of arrival (usually on a Sunday) and departure of all trainees. Alternatively, the trainees can take a Pipindan-bound commercial passenger boat which has scheduled trips every hour from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. excluding weekends.

### INTERNET

The lecture room is provided with Wi-Fi internet connection. Internet access during lectures is not available so as not to disrupt the training session.

### SECURITY

Security guards are on duty 24 hours a day inside the station premises.

