

Aims and Objectives/ functioning of the Fisheries Department are as under:-

The Department of Fisheries was established in 1903 mainly as a fish preservation Department entrusted with the conservation of natural water resources, issuance of licences to the Trout Anglers and the local fishermen. The culture fisheries could not be taken up due to lack of technology and manpower. In 1978 the Department was re-organized facilitating thereby the establishment of District Level units and consequently undertaking detailed survey. For the first time the Department set before it the following aims and objectives and since then the department has been making strenuous efforts to achieve these objects for overall development of fisheries in the State.

- **To promote Culture Fisheries in the State by utilizing all the available resources to boost fish production in the State.**
- **To adopt latest technology of Fish Farming viz; Composite Fish Culture of Indian Major Carps and Exotic Carps.**
- **To produce quality Trout Seed for rearing in captivity to table size for sale to the common men.**
- **To stock the Natural Cold Water Streams with trout seed to promote sport fisheries in the State.**
- **To propagate Fish Culture in Private Sector to provide avenues of earnings to the educated un-employed youth.**
- **To develop Endemic Fisheries in the State by adopting the relevant technology.**
- **To develop Hill Stream and High Altitude Fisheries.**
- **To develop Recreational Fisheries as a means of earnings for the interested persons who may take up Aquarium Fisheries as a trade.**
- **To provide better marketing facilities to the fishermen to eliminate the role of middlemen.**
- **To introduce Welfare Schemes for upliftment of Fishermen Community.**