ICAR-NBFGR Marks 78th Independence Day with Enthusiasm and Pride

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ICAR-National Bureau of Fish Genetic Resources, Lucknow, celebrated the 78th Independence Day with great enthusiasm and patriotic spirit. The celebration commenced with the ceremonial hoisting of the national flag by the Director, Dr. Uttam Kumar Sarkar, who addressed the staff members with a message of unity and national pride. He emphasized the need for continued research in critical areas such as climate-resilient technology for fish biodiversity conservation, milt cryopreservation, cell culture, fish disease surveillance, and extension fisheries, all with a focus on sustainable development and contributing to the Prime Minister's Vision of 'Viksit Bharat.' He honoured the teams behind the development of two significant achievements: the 'ReportFishDisease' mobile application and the successful creation of cell lines from the fin and gill tissues of Fantail Goldfish. These innovations were awarded certificates by ICAR, further strengthening the institute's role in national research initiatives. Dr. Sarkar also proudly announced that the NSPAAD project had been shortlisted for the silver award in the prestigious National e-Governance Awards, showcasing the institute's alignment with national priorities in technology and governance. The event also included a tree-planting drive under the national campaign *'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam*,' during which 100 saplings were planted on the institute's campus. The celebrations concluded with a vibrant cultural programme featuring performances by the children of staff members, adding a festive and patriotic spirit to the occasion.

