## PRESS NOTE

The Department of Fisheries, A&N Administration invites applications from Fisher / Tribal Cooperative Societies / Women Self Help Groups / Registered Companies of Private Entrepreneurs, ICAR and other Central Govt. Institutes interested to set up Pearl Culture Unit in A & N Islands under the component "Promotion of Mariculture in the Form of Pearl Culture" of the Central Sector Scheme – "BLUE REVOLUTION" – which envisages the following pattern of subsidy:-

- i) 40% of the unit cost with a ceiling of ₹10.00 lakh per Pearl Culture Project for General category & 60% of the unit cost with ceiling of ₹15.00 lakh per Pearl Culture project for SCs / STs / Women and their Co-operatives for Pearl Culture project.
- ii) 100% of the unit cost with a ceiling of ₹25.00 lakh per Pearl Culture project by UT Administration, ICAR / other Central Govt. Institutes.

Application form and detailed terms & conditions of the scheme can be obtained from the Directorate of Fisheries / Zonal Fisheries Offices / Fisheries Sub Stations / Zilla Parishads / Panchayat Samities. The applications completed in all respect should reach the Directorate of Fisheries or the nearest Zonal Fisheries Office / Sub Stations on or before 30<sup>th</sup> June – 2018. The Application form can also be downloaded from the A&N Administration's website <a href="https://www.and.nic.in">www.and.nic.in</a>.

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