



COASTAL AQUACULTURE AUTHORITY

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Registration of coastal aquaculture farms

Attention of coastal aquaculture (shrimp) farmers in the coastal areas is invited to the earlier public notices and press releases about the statutory obligation to register all coastal aquaculture farms with the Coastal Aquaculture Authority (CAA), Chennai. Farmers intending to take up SPF *L. vannamei* culture should have their farms registered with CAA and are also required to take special permission from the Coastal Aquaculture Authority. Shrimp farmers undertaking culture operations without registration and those doing *L. vannamei* culture without specific permission from CAA shall be dealt with penal action as per the provisions of Coastal Aquaculture Authority Act, 2005 and Rules which include **imprisonment for a term which may extend to three years or with a fine extending to Rs.1.00 lakh or with both.**

The coastal aquaculture farmers are also warned that unless their farms are registered with CAA, the processing and exporting units will not procure aquaculture products from such farms as all packages of processed aquaculture products shall bear the registration number allotted by CAA to the farmers as stated in the [Gazette Notification dated 28th October, 2009](#) issued by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Department of Commerce). Those who have not yet registered their farms should immediately do so by contacting the concerned District Level Committees to register their farms in order to avoid adverse repercussions of unauthorized culture operations in coastal areas.

For details, please visit the websites of the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (www.dahd.nic.in) and the Coastal Aquaculture Authority (www.caa.gov.in)

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