INVASION OF RAINBOW TROUT IN ARUNACHAL PRADESH

ABSTRACT: An exotic carnivorous fish species was spotted from a riverine habitat at low altitudinal zone in Papumpare district of Arunachal Pradesh; which is suspected to have invaded from unknown source. Although it is officially recorded that this species was introduced in the coldwater river bodies at high altitude zones to meet the target objective of replenishment of fisheries resources in uplands of the state for the purpose of development of angling-tourism and consumption. But, in due course the species of rainbow trout is becoming lethal to the native resources of fish species diversity, as this species now-a-days is available in the biodiversity rich tropical waters; which is discussed in the paper.