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IORA Workshop on Enhancing Biosecurity Practices in Inland Aquaculture Farms

17 November 2025 – The Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries (MMAF) and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA) of the Republic of Indonesia, in collaboration with the Secretariat of the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA), will convene the IORA Workshop on Enhancing Biosecurity Practices in Inland Aquaculture Farms from 18 to 21 November 2025 at Hotel Santika Premiere Padang, in Padang, West Sumatra, Indonesia.

The Workshop will gather representatives from IORA Member States and Dialogue Partners, along with policymakers, technical experts, academicians, and aquaculture practitioners. The event aims to strengthen regional cooperation and capacity building in aquaculture biosecurity, in line with IORA's commitment to promoting sustainable and responsible growth within the Blue Economy. The Workshop also aims to enhance fish health management practices and foster regional cooperation in support of sustainable and resilient aquaculture systems.

This initiative supports the implementation of the Progressive Management Pathway for Improving Aquaculture Biosecurity (PMP/AB) introduced by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), which provides practical, step-by-step guidance for managing aquatic animal health and preventing the spread of diseases.

Key outcomes include strengthened technology transfer, improved capacity building, greater resilience and productivity, and better alignment of national biosecurity frameworks with IORA's regional sustainability goals.
