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Effect of Noni (Morinda Citrifolia) and Kalmegh (Andrographis Paniculate) on coloration and phagocytosis in goldfish (Carasius Auratus) was studied in goldfishes of 11.45 ± 1.72 g. Fish were fed low carotenoid diet for 4 weeks in order to get the low color intensity. Then, all fish were fed with carotenoid testing diet for the other 4 week to investigate the coloration and phagocytosis activity. After that, fish were fed low carotenoid again for the last 4 weeks. The studied was divided into 4 experiments. Firstly, study on amount of total carotenoid in Noni and Kalmegh. It was found that total carotenoid in Noni and Kalmegh were 445.21 ± 9.13 and 316.80 \pm 18.52 µg/g, respectively. Secondly, study the effect of dietary fiber on carotenoid absorption for 4 weeks, the result indicated that increasing fiber in feed was retarded the red color and accumulation of total carotenoid in fish blood and muscle (p< 0.05). Thirdly, study the effect of Noni and Kalmegh on growth performance, coloration and phagocytosis in goldfish. The results presented that carotenoid showed low effect on growth performance (p> 0.05). Moreover, it also found that feeding Noni and Kalmegh with astaxanthin enhanced the red color and the stability of color (p< 0.05). On the other hand, fish fed astaxanthin presented the higher carotenoid in fish blood better than group of 10 % Noni and 10 % Kalmegh. However, goldfish fed 10 % Noni with 0.25 % astaxanthin demonstrated the highest carotenoid accumulation in muscle (p< 0.05). The lymphocytic activity in terms of percentage of phagocytosis and phagocytosis index was hight (p< 0.05) in group of fish fed with 10% Noni and 10% Kalmegh incorporated with astaxanthin. Next, Lymphocytic activity was increased (p< 0.05) within 6 days after treatment. Therefor, Feeding 10 % Noni and Kelmegh were enhanced red color intensity and Lymphocytic activity in goldfish.

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