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VISVA-BHARATI PROJECT**

On

*“Enhancing Food and Nutritional Security and Improved Livelihoods
through Intensification of Rice-Fallow System with Pulse Crops in South
Asia (Bangladesh, India & Nepal)”*

A REPORT ON ONE DAY FARMER S' TRAINING PROGRAMME, 2018-19

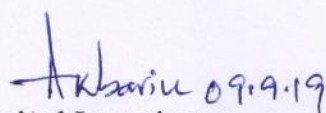
A one day farmers' training programme was held on **“Improved technology of pulse cultivation in rice-fallow system of Birbhum district”** at Akamba Primary School under IFAD-ICARDA-Visva-Bharati project on **08.09.2019**. In this training programme **95** (ninety five) progressive farmers participated from 10 villages of two blocks out of which Akamba, Bharanghi, Bhubaneswar, Dhulpur, Janubazar, Raghunathpur, Sahapur, Sugar(Danga para) and Tikarbeta villages from Illambazar block and Paduma village from Dubrajpur block. In this programme, Prof. Arun Kumar Barik (Principal Investigator), Prof. Binoy Kumar Saren (Co-PI), Dr. Ranjan Nath (Co-PI), Dr. Swarnali Bhattacharya (Co-PI), Dr. Subrata Mandal (Co-PI) and a resource person, Sri. Sukhendu Bikash Saha (ADA, Seed Certification, Govt. of W.B., Suri, Birbhum) were present.

In inaugural session, Dr. Subrata Mandal, welcomed all the guests and participant farmers with his inspiring speech and also discussed package and practices of pulse cultivation. Prof. Arun Kumar Barik highlighted the aim and objectives of this training programme. Prof. Binoy Kumar Saren talked about effect of herbicide (Pendimethalin) application in pulse crops and also gave vote of thanks.

In technical session, Dr. Ranjan Nath and Dr. Swarnali Bhattacharya discussed in details on disease and insect-pest management of pulse crops. Sri. Sukhendu Bikash Saha discussed in details about seed production, seed certification, seed grading and seed marketing of winter pulse crops in rice-fallow.

Finally, Prof. Arun Kumar Barik interacted with the farmers regarding pulse cultivation as well as scope of seed production under VBSE for coming winter season.

All India radio, Doordarshan and local news paper, Ananda Bazaar patrika covered the entire training programme.


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Welcome address by Dr. S. Mandal, Co-P.I. of IFAD-ICARDA project



Farmers participated in training programme at Akamba primary school, Illambazar Block on 08.09.2019



Address by Prof. A.K. Barik, P.I. of IFAD-ICARDA project



Vote of thanks by Prof. B.K. Saren, Co-P.I. of IFAD-ICARDA project



Lecture delivered by Prof. Ranjan Nath, Co-P.I. of IFAD-ICARDA project



Lecture delivered by Dr. S. Bhattacharya, Co-P.I. of IFAD-ICARDA



Lecture delivered by Sri Sukhendu Bikash Saha, A.D.A (Seed Certification), Govt. of W.B., Suri, Birbhum



Interaction with Doordarshan, Santiniketan, West Bengal



Interaction with the farmer by All India Radio, Santiniketan, West Bengal



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