

## Skill Development Workshop under SCSP organised

3-5th March, 2024, Kolkata

A 3-day Skill Development Workshop to augment the Income from Small Farming was organised for selected beneficiaries of SC community of Baghmundi and Arsha block of Purulia district by West Bengal University of Animal and Fishery Sciences in collaboration with ICAR-IIAB, Ranchi and ICAR-ATARI, Kolkata.

In the inaugural session, Chief Guest Prof. Gautam Saha, Vice Chancellor, Bidhan Chandra Krishi Viswavidyalaya, Nadia spoke about the importance of such programme in order to improve the livelihood of the SC farmers.

Dr. Pradip Dey, Director, ICAR-ATARI, Kolkata, highlighted the need of reaching the unreached and serving the unserved through SCSP programme for entrepreneurship development.



Dr. Partha Das, Registrar, WBUAFS, Dr. N. Ghosh, Dean, Faculty of Veterinary & Animal Sciences, WBUAFS, Dr. A. Sen, Head, ICAR-IVRI ERS, Kolkata, Dr. Manoranjan Roy, PI of the project and Dr. Keshab Chandra Dhara, Deputy Director (Farms), WBUAFS were also present during the programme.

The Workshop covered livestock, poultry and fish farming (like available resources, breeds, breeding, feed formulation and feeding, housing, preventive measures, hatching of chicks and ducklings, marketing strategy) to upsurge feasible enterprises.

The valedictory session was held in presence of Dr. T. Chakraborty, Vice Chancellor, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad University of Technology as Chief Guest, which was presided over by Prof. S.S. Dana, Vice Chancellor, WBUAFS.

An exposure visit of these trainees was also organised at Sashya Shyamala KVK, Narendrapur; State Livestock Farm of Kalyani and Haringhata Farm of Mohanpur. A total of 48 beneficiaries participated in the programme.