

15th Scientific Advisory Committee Meeting (SAC) Conducted at Howrah Krishi Vigyan Kendra

The 15th Scientific Advisory Committee Meeting of Howrah KVK has been conducted at its campus on 20th February 2024 with graceful presence of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of Bidhan Chandra Krishi Viswavidyalaya Prof. Gautam Saha, Director, ICAR-ATARI, Kolkata Dr. Pradip Dey; DEE, BCKV Prof. Pintoo Bandyopadhyay apart from the District heads of Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal Resource Department, and Agril. Marketing, Lead Bank and Representative from Doordarshan Kendra, Kolkata. Senior Scientists and Heads of other KVKs and progressive farmers along with presence of FPC/FPO all provided a rich and meaningful interactive house for chalking out the way forward for Howrah KVK.

Prof. Bandyopadhyay in his welcome address briefly discussed the importance of this kind of meeting and invited the government departments for their inputs regarding the need of the district. The meeting was chaired by Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, BCKV, who stressed upon the need for action plans for all KVKs centrally with the expertise available at the main campus. Dr. Padip Dey, Chief Guest, talked of the relevance of monitoring and review meetings of the programs taken up with the need for emphasis on information generation in natural farming activities and also on having on station demonstration. Dr. Kironmay Barui, Senior Scientist and Head, Howrah KVK presented the Action Taken Report of previous SAC with threadbare details of the OFT and FLD among other mandated and sponsored programs conducted by the KVK over the last one year before embarking on with the proposals and planning for the ensuing period in 2024.

The meeting continued with government departments discussed on the program and their expectation and assured their collaboration in the activities of the KVK. The other KVK heads present and progressive farmers also shared their inputs for enriching the program. The entire programme was anchored by Dr. Koushik Nag and the vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. S. Banerjee.

After completion of meeting Hon'ble VC inaugurated newly developed Ornamental Fish Unit of Howrah KVK in presence of other dignitaries and visited different units of the KVK.