## FARMERS' MEET AND DISTRIBUTION OF CHICKS AND DUCKS on 22.01.21 at GOPALPUR VILLAGE OF BLOCK COOCH BEHAR II, W.B. UNDER SCSP SCHEME

ICAR-Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture, Regional Research Station Rahara and Cooch Behar Krishi Vigyan Kendra of Uttar Banga Krishi Viswavidyalay, have organised a 'Farmers' Meet and distribution of Chicks and Ducks' on 22 January, 2021 under 'Scheduled Castes Sub Plan' Scheme of Govt. of India. Dr. S. Saha, Subject Matter Specialist (Agronomy) delivered welcome address in the Farmers' meet. Dr. B. N. Paul, Nodal Officer, SCSP Scheme, W.B. described about the programme undertaken under in 3 KVKs of UBKV at different locations viz., Cooch Behar (Cooch Behar distrct), Chopra (North Dinajpur district) and Patiram (South Dinajpur district. He also highlighted the role of mixed farming in income generation of the farmers combining crop, fish and animal component. Dr. Rahul Deb Mukherjee, Subject Matter Specialist (Animal Science) Cooch Behar KVK has explained about the overall management of scientific Poultry and Duck rearing and assured to provide support to the villagers post distribution of the birds. In the said Farmers' meet a total of 40 farmers attended the programme form Gopalpur village of Cooch Behar II block, W.B. There was also a Scientist and Farmers interface during the meeting. Then Rhode Island Red breed of poultry birds and Khaki Cambell ducklings were distributed to the 40 farmers along with preventive medicine. There was also a field visit to Zero tillage maize cultivated field of Mr. Sanjit Roy to whom maize seed was provided by ICAR-CIFA under SCSP scheme. The meeting ended with vote of thanks by Dr. S. Saha of Cooch Behar KVK.



Dr. S.Saha Cooch Behar KVK addressing the farmers



Dr.B.N.Paul, Nodal Officer, SCSP Scheme, W.B delivering lecture to the Farmers



Dr.R.D.Mukherjee, SMS (Anim. Sci) of Cooch Behar KVK addressing the Farmers



Distribution of RIR Poultry birds to farmers



Distribution of Khaki Cambell ducklings to the farmers



Visit to Zero tillage Maize cultivated field



Participant Farmers of Farmers' meet, Gopalpur village, Cooch Behar II Block