



A one day training programme on “**Integrated Pest Management in Blackgram**” was organized by KVK, North 24 Parganas (Additional) on 14.10.2020 for the SC farmers of North 24 Parganas maintaining the social distancing and other necessary protocol for COVID-19. In the programme, Dr. Tanmay Samajdar, Principal Scientist and Head of the KVK welcome the participants and briefed them about the aim and objective of the training programme. Dr. R. K. De, Principal Scientist, Crop Protection Division, ICAR-CRIJAF discussed about the insects commonly damaging the blackgram and the ways to get rid of the insects and save the crops. He further discussed about the different diseases infesting the blackgram in the area and the different lines of treatments with special emphasis on the balanced use of chemical and organic products to treat the diseases. Altogether, 9 SC farmers participated in the training programme

A visit was also organised to Blackgram demonstration plot of the KVK in North farm. Dr. Samajdar interacted with the farmers and briefed them about the importance and benefit of pulses in human life especially in this COVID era as well as in the cropping system. Mr. Rakesh Roshan, Technical Officer, KVK, proposed the formal vote of thanks.

