

Report on farmers' training & demonstration on improved microbial jute retting by 'CRIJAF Sona' held on 23rd July, 2016 at Kumarganj block of D. Dinajpur, West Bengal under TSP

In Kumarganj block jute is an important commercial crop grown in about three thousand ha. More than 17% jute farmers of the block are tribal and they do not have access to improved jute production and retting technology. Therefore, it is important that modern production and retting technology of jute need to be disseminated to the tribal jute farmers of the block so that they can get higher productivity with better fibre quality resulting higher profitability. With that intension ICAR-CRIJAF conducted farmers training & demonstration on improved microbial retting technology of jute using 'CRIJAF Sona' in collaboration with the State Department of Agriculture, Govt. of West Bengal on 23rd July, 2016 at Sonarpara F.P. School, Paschim Govindapur in Kumarganj block of Dakshin Dinajpur.



Dr. Jyotirmoy Biswas, Deputy Director of Agriculture, Dakshin Dinajpur addressed the tribal farmers



Mrs. Uma Roy, Panchayet Sabhapati encouraged the tribal jute farmers for using the retting technology

In the training programme 110 tribal jute farmers of Kumarganj block keenly participated and learnt about the improved microbial retting technology for quality jute fibre production. The farmers learnt and interacted with the Scientists of CRIJAF regarding different aspects of jute retting technologies such as effect of CRIJAF Sona on human, cattle and fish. In the farmers training Dr. S. Sarkar and Dr. B. Majumdar of ICAR-CRIJAF, Dr. Jyotirmoy Biswa, Deputy Director of Agriculture, Dakshin Dinajpur, Mr. Anwarul Islam, Asstt. Director of Agriculture (ADA), Kumarganj block, Mr. Sanjit Roy, BTM, ATMA, Kumarganj block educated and trained the farmers about improved microbial jute retting technology. Mr. Moqbul Hossain, Krishi Karmadhakya, Smt. Kajali Kisku, Upa Pradhan, Safanagar Panchayet were also present and encouraged the farmers.



Dr. B. Majumdar trained the farmers and distributed CRIJAF Sona packets



Demonstration of improved microbial retting technology of jute using CRIJAF Sona at Kumarganj

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