

Farmers' Fair cum Exhibition at ICAR-NINFET, Kolkata

5th January, 2023, Kolkata

A Farmer's fair cum exhibition was organized at institute premises of ICAR- National Institute of Natural Fibre Engineering and Technology, Kolkata on 5th January, 2023 where more than 200 farmers, artisans, entrepreneurs and staff members have participated.



Swami Viswamayananda, Secretary, Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama Sargachi, Chief Guest has applauded the efforts of ICAR-NINFET in linking the farmers with the researchers through this event. In his address to the participants he called upon for the establishment of a consortium of natural fibre-stakeholders for harnessing mutual benefits. Dr. P. K. Agarwal, ADG (TC) ICAR, Guest of honour in his address urged the scientists of the institute to work for the betterment of the downtrodden farmers. Sri. Arobinda Sarkar, General Manager, NABARD has spoken about the schemes offered from his organization towards entrepreneurship development in natural fibre sector. Dr. Mihir Sarkar, Director, ICAR-NRC on Yak, Guest of Honour has emphasized upon the ways and means needed for the involvement of natural fibre stake holders from North-Eastern India for improvement of their social status through employment and income generation.



Dr D.B. Shakyawar, Director, ICAR-NINFET in his welcome address has highlighted upon the various technologies developed at the institute for improvement upon the quality of life of farmers involved in natural fibre production and processing. Dr. Alok Nath Roy, Head, Transfer of Technology Division and Convener expressed his gratitude towards the participants for joining the event.



Artisans, Start-ups, ICAR Institutes, KVKs and FPOs have participated and exhibited their products to the public. Awards were also given to best stalls for showcasing their exhibits. Interaction of participating farmers with the stall owners and scientists of the institute was the highlighting feature of this one-day event. A Quiz Competition during the programme has created lots of enthusiasm among the participants.

