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The University is going to publish the sixth issue of UBKV newsletter as Volume 6 No.1. This issue of the UBKV News letter attempts to offer myriad hues of the University's academic, research, extension, administrative and extracurricular life. The editorial team remains grateful to the members of the University community for supplying the information and photograph to make this newsletter more information enriched. While we have made a sincere effort, any error is deeply regretted. We look forward to your comments and suggestions.

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Directorate of Extension Education

UBKV organised a whole day Fulbright Fellowship for the United States-India awareness programme on 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2016 at ATIC Auditorium, UBKV for the budding scientists of the University with the active cooperation of Mrs. Shevanti Narayan, Regional Officer,

# United States –India Educational Foundation.

# World Soil Day celebrated

The University celebrated World Soil Day by distributing soil health card to 300 farmers on 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2015.





# Awareness and Sensitization at adopted village

The University organised awareness cum sensitization programme at the adopted village Uttar Chakwakheti before establishing a Producer Organisation in the village with an active financial support from DDM, NABARD and administrative support from POPI, Alipurduar district.





# Foreign visit

- Prof. D. Mukhopadhyay and Mr. Dipankar Pal: University of Ruhuna, Faculty of Agriculture, Sri Lanka for attending an International Conference.
- Prof. A. K. Chowdhury: Kualalampur, Malayasia for attending an International Conference.
- Dr. Somsubhra Chakraborty: Institute of Soil Science, Chinese Academy of Science, China for pursuing collaborative research.

# Krishi Prajyukti Sahayak training

The University extended the knowledge and information outside the campus through

campus through imparting the training to the grass root level extension workers (KPS) as off campus four



months induction training programme with the active collaboration of Department of Agriculture, Cooch Behar District, Govt. of West Bengal.

# **Books gifted to the Central library**

- Mrs. Krishna Das Gupta, J25/231, West Sagarpur, New Delhi-110046 initiated "Mithun Das Gupta Award" (Silver Medal) & Rs. 10,000 prize money (Cash) for B.Tech in Agril. Engineering topper and donated 142 numbers of books/ documents, to the Central Library, UBKV.
- Mrs. Lina Chakraborty & Dr. NIranjan Chakraborty, A-501, Sunity Complex, Oshiwara, Andheri(W), Mumbai-400102 donated 429 numbers of books/documents to the Central Library, UBKV.
- Prof. N. R. Das, Retired Professor, BCKV, B-1/255, Kalyani, Nadia, West Bengal donated 523 numbers of books/documents to the Central Library, UBKV.

# Change in responsibility

Our honourable, beloved Vice Chancellor, Prof. Debasis Mazumdar relinquished the office of Vice Chancellor, UBKV on 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2016 and joined his previous post as Professor, Agricultural Statistics in BCKV on 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2016. The entire fraternity of this University would remember him for his benevolent and proactive leadership.



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# **Award**

Dr. K. Pradhan, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Agricultural Extension



and Dr. B. Roy, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Seed Science and Technology received "SCIENCE EXCELLENCE AWARD" for their contribution in agricultural extension science



and seed science, awarded by Foundation for Science and Environment, Kolkata-700118, West Bengal, India on the occasion of National Conference on Natural Resources, Diversity and Sustainable Development held on 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2015 at University of North Bengal, West Bengal, India.



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Prof. (Dr.) Ashis Kumar Singha Roy took over the charge of Vice Chancellor, UBKV on May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Prior to shouldering the responsibility of Vice Chancellor, Dr. Singha Roy had been serving as Professor, Agronomy, Uttar Banga Krishi Viswavidyalaya, Pundibari, Cooch Behar.

# Vice-Chancellor's Desk ...

H igher education is the most important sector for the growth and development of human resource, which can take responsibility for social, economic and scientific development of the country. Institutions of higher education are emerging as centres of innovation and excellence in the global scenario. The primary task of a higher education institution is to provide world class quality education, while opening the portals of higher education to students from rural and backward areas and marginalized families. The talents and skills in our youth should be recognized to equip and enable them to meet the emerging challenges and demands. As Vice Chancellor of this esteemed University, I take this assignment as an opportunity to raise the system to greater heights during my tenure. It is a

matter of pride for everyone associated with Uttar Banga Krishi Viswavidyalaya that our alma matter, UBKV legitimately found a place in the list of nationally acclaimed universities in India. It is further heartening to note that twenty two students of UBKV secured JRF in ICAR post graduate entrance examination. My congratulation to each and every one of you more particularly to those faculties and researchers whose contribution was instrumental in earning the feat. This is a recognition that has increased our responsibilities many fold - responsibilities not only to outperform our own performances through continued value added contributions but also to climb the remaining steps in the ladder to reach the top among the agricultural univer-

# Inauguration of Vivekananda Auditorium Hall



The newly established Vivekananda auditorium Hall at main campus of UBKV was inaugurated by Honourable MIC, Department of North Bengal Development, Government of West Bengal, Shri Rabindranath Ghosh in presence of Former Vice Chancellor, UBKV, Prof. Biswanath Bandyopadhyay, President, Ramkrishna Math, Cooch Behar, Srimat Swami Purna Brmhananda Maharaj, senior retired Professor, BCKV Prof. B. K. Mandal and honourable Vice Chancellor Prof. A. K. Singha Roy.

# Inauguration

Prof. Debasis Mazumdar, the former Vice Chancellor of UBKV formally inaugurated the University Instructional Farm, Faculty of Agri-





culture, Conditional seed storage godown and Dr. Amulya Kumar Mitra Memorial Hall on 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2016.



# **New Assignment**

Prof. T. K. Hath, Professor, Agricultural Entomology assumed the charge of Dean, Faculty of Agriculture, UBKV on 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2016.



Prof. J. C. Jana, Professor, Vegetable and Spice Crops assumed the

charge of Dean, Faculty of Horticulture, UBKV on 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2015.



rishi Unnayan Mela 2015 was organised by Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) with active collaboration of Uttar Banga Krishi Viswavidyalava at main campus of this University on 4<sup>th</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> November, 2015. The gracious presence of Shri Purnendu Basu, Ministerin-charge, Department of Agriculture, Government of West Bengal, Respected Special Guest Mr. Pradip Kumar Mazumder, Advisor to the Chief Minister on

Agriculture and Allied Sector and Guests of Honour, Dr. Paritosh Bhattacharya, Director of Agriculture, Govt. of West Bengal. Shri Rabindra Nath Ghosh, MLA and Chairman, Forest Development Corporation, Mr. P. Ulaganathan, District Magistrate, Cooch Behar and Prof. C. R. Hazra, Former Vice Chancellor, Indira Gandhi Krishi Viswavidyalaya, Raipur, CG makes it a successful one. This Krishi Unnayan Mela 2015 is organised with an aim to showcase the op-

portunities in the agriculture and allied sectors in the northern districts of West Bengal namely Darjeeling, Cooch Behar, Alipurduar, Jalpaiguri, Uttar Dinajpur, Dakshin Dinajpur and Malda. Krishak Pathshala was organised within this Krishi Unnayan Mela imparting training to the farmer, farm youth and farm women with the help of the University experts, scientists and teachers for improving their skill and social esteem and prestige

**Achievement** 

This year 22 (twenty

two) students of B.Sc (Ag) Hons and B.Sc

(Hort) Hons secured rank in Junior Re-

search Fellowship

ducted by ICAR, 6

(six) students of

B.Tech in Agril. Engi-

neering secured rank

in National Level

GATE examination, 9

(nine) students of

M.Sc. (Ag) qualified

in National Eligibility

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M.Sc. (Ag) selected

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# Workshop on Financial Management

One workshop organised on financial management for University students in association with SEBI on 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2015 at Pranab Gyane Hall, UBKV. The OIAE-Investor Awareness Division, Eastern Regional Office, SEBI, Kolkata, conducted the workshop to educate and create awareness about the present investment precautionary measures for rural dwellers as well as common mass.

# **Annual Social Function**

Annual social function was organized on 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2015 in association with CSU. A number of students participated in various cultural programmes like dance, drama, song etc. Art & song competition were also held for preparing and selecting the suitable participants for ICAR annual Agri-Unifest. Various prizes were given to the successful competitors in their corresponding field like Marathon, University Cricket League, Football, Volleyball and also in cultural events.

# **Innovation Platform Training**

The University SRFSI project funded by ACIAR organised a five



days Innovation
Platform training
programme for
the stakeholders
of IP from different corners of
the district Cooch
Behar and Malda
on 7<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> June,
2016 with active

and energetic facilitation of Tony Darbas, Research Scientist, CSIRO, Australia. It is worth mentioning that 6 participants from Bangladesh and 1 participant from Nepal were successfully completed the training programme with a nice memory.

# Participation in 5<sup>th</sup> Agro-Protect-2015



The University delegates participated in 5<sup>th</sup> Agro-protect 2015 organised by Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC) on 19-21<sup>st</sup> November, 2015.

# 2<sup>ND</sup> UBKV Marathon

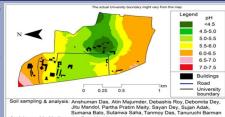
UBKV organized 2<sup>nd</sup> UBKV MARATHON-2015 in association with



CSU, UBKV on 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2015. Boys & Girls students from all three faculties participated in the event.

# Soil pH map of UBKV

The department of Soil Science and Agril. Chemistry has developed a soil pH map of the whole main campus of the University, Pundibari, Cooch Behar, West Bengal.



# Workshop on women empowerment

An workshop on "Women empowerment & poverty reduction through effective use of secure right to land... experiences from

West Bengal" was organized by Cooch Behar Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Uttar Banga Krishi Viswavidyalaya, on 5<sup>th</sup>June , 2016 (11.30 am – 3.00 pm) at Dr. Amulya Mitra memorial Hall in



collaboration with and Financial assistance from Landesa, a leading International Non-Governmental Organisation who is working to assist and advance land related govern-

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ment efforts to help millions of rural landless families escape poverty through effective use of their secure right to land.



# **Felicitation**

Prof. Bijan Kumar Mondal, Retd. Professor, Agronomy, BCKV and Prof. Biswanath Bandyopadhyay, Former Vice-Chancellor, UBKV were felicitated by Department of Agronomy, UBKV on 16th June, 2016 for their contribution in Agricultural Education, Research and Administration.

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