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**Report on Celebration of “National Fish Farmers Day, 2025” at Rathindra Krishi Vigyan Kendra,
Palli Siksha Bhavan (Institute of Agriculture), Visva-Bharati, Sriniketan, Dist. Birbhum,
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Rathindra Krishi Vigyan Kendra (RKVK), Palli Siksha Bhavan (Institute of Agriculture), Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan had organize a celebration of “National Fish Farmers Day” on 10th July 2025 for the farmers of Birbhum district to create encourage, awareness and to give honor among the farming community about the protection of the fish culture such as understand the importance of fish farming, eco-friendly fish farming and to take the overall fish farming system forward. Regards to father of Induced Breeding to Dr. (Prof.) Hiralal Chaudhury. The contributions of Dr. (Prof.) Hiralal Chaudhury to the Indian Freshwater Aquaculture Research made at Cuttack are now a history. 10th July 1957 has been declared for Indian Farmers. To honor his great achievement our country observes “National Fish Farmers Day” on 10th July from 2002 each year. The objective of this program was to promote their role and awareness about fisheries on this special day. Such awareness programs have a special role to play in protecting and conserving the fisheries environment. A total of 70 numbers participants participated in the programme.

At the beginning of the program, Dr. Subrata Mandal, Senior Scientist and Head, RKVK welcomed all the guests especially fish farmers of Birbhum district. He sheers his valuable knowledge on how to further fish farming while protecting the fishing environment and natural resources. Honorable Prof. Binoy Kumar Saren, Principal of Palli Siksha Bhavan (Institute of Agriculture) and Acting Vice-Chancellor of Visva-Bharati was present as the chief guest at this program. He discussed the growth of fish farming and overall development of fish farming. Dr. Kalipada Paramanik, Vice- Principal of Palli Siksha Bhavan (Institute of Agriculture) was also present as a special guest in this program. He also encouraged and respected the fish farmers through his valuable speeches. Mr. Saurav Mondal, Subject Matter Specialist (Plant Protection), Dr. Prabuddha Ray, Subject Matter Specialist (Agricultural Extension), Dr. Madhuchhanda Khan, Subject Matter Specialist (Animal Science), Dr. Soustav Datta, Subject Matter Specialist (Horticulture) and Mr. Asim Kumar Giri, Subject Matter Specialist (Fishery) of RKVK encouraged and honored the fish farmers through their various valuable speech. In this program, a successful fish farmer encourages other fish farmers through his valuable speech and six nos of best fish farmers were honored and awarded. Mr. Asim Kumar Giri, Subject Matter Specialist (Fishery) of RKVK was present as fisheries expert on this program. Through his technical speech, he informed the fish farmers how it is possible to increase the production with eco-friendly environment at low-cost investment and get more profit in fish farming.

At the end of the program, the program was felt more attractive by planting trees by the honorable guests. In addition to fish farmers, students of Shiksha Bhavan, Visva-Bharati and all staff of RKVK were present on this program. At last, Mr. Sourav Mondal, Subject Matter Specialist (Plant Protection), RKVK announced the end of the program with vote of thanks.

