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**Training programme on 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2022 on cultivation of Black Soldier Fly**

Rathindra Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Palli Siksha Bhavana (Institute of Agriculture), Visva-Bharati organized a training programme on 10.12.2022 on Cultivation of Black Soldier Fly at Rathindra KVK campus. In this programme 33 numbers of farmers and farm women has been participated. Farmers particularly, poultry farmer (both backyard and broiler), farmers related with Integrated Farming System (IFS) based on Fishery, Duckery and Horticulture and fish farmer participated in this training programme. Prof. Arabinda Mitra, former Director of Research and Professor of Bidhan Chandra Krishi Viswa Vidyalaya, West Bengal was invited as Resource person of this training programme. At first, Dr. Subrata Mandal, Senior Scientist and Head of Rathindra KVK welcome the participants and explained the need of Natural Farming in the sphere of today's farming situation. After that Dr. Madhuchhanda Khan Subject Matter Specialist (Animal Science) narrated that Black Soldier Fly is ideally suited for food production due to its rapid production cycle and high concentration of protein. The high percentage of protein in the larvae makes them an ideal source of food for poultry, duck and fish. Later on, Prof. Arabinda Mitra described the need of cultivation of Black Soldier Fly as a part of natural farming for poultry and fish farmers and conducted the training programme with practical demonstration of preparation of Love Cage for Black Soldier Flies.

**Training programme on Black Soldier Fly Cultivation**



**Practising farmer and farm women participated in this training programme**



**Practical Demonstration of Love Cage building for Black Soldier Fly**

