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**Distribution of Seeds under Cluster Front Line Demonstration (CFLD) on Kharif Pulse, Crop: Black Gram by
Hon'ble Director, ICAR-ATARI, Kolkata on 02.09.2023**

Hon'ble Director, ICAR-ATARI, Kolkata, Dr. Pradip Dey distributed Seeds under Cluster Front Line Demonstration (CFLD) on Kharif Pulse, Crop: Black Gram, Variety: Indra Urd Pratham to 53 numbers of practicing farmers and farm women of Birbhum District at Rathindra Krishi Vigyan Kendra on 02.09.2023. Dr. Pradip Dey, Director, ICAR-Agricultural Technology Application Research Institute (ATARI), Kolkata deliberated on the important initiatives of Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Govt. of India through Central Sector Projects like CFLD on Pulse and Oilseed under Mission-Mode National Food Security Mission (NFSM) to increase the area, production and productivity of Pulse and Oilseed in India thus reducing the import dependency on these food products. Prof. Arun Kumar Barik, Principal, Palli Siksha Bhavana, Visva-Bharati emphasized on group approach for production of Pulse and Oilseeds specifically Kharif Pulse for earning more return than from cultivation of Kharif Rice. Dr. Subrata Mandal, Senior Scientist & Head, Rathindra KVK welcomed all the participants at the very beginning of the programme and put emphasis on covering more area under Kharif Pulse specifically Crop - Black Gram in Birbhum situation. The seeds distributed are Certified Seeds (C/S.) from National Seed Corporation Limited (A Mini Ratna Company, Govt. of India Undertaking).

Dr. Pradip Dey, Director, ICAR-Agricultural Technology Application Research Institute (ATARI), Kolkata is distributing the seeds of CFLD on Kharif Pulses along with other dignitaries.



Dr. Pradip Dey, Director, ICAR-Agricultural Technology Application Research Institute (ATARI), Kolkata; Prof. Arun Kumar Barik, Principal, Palli Siksha Bhavana, Visva-Bharati; Dr. Subrata Mandal, Senior Scientist & Head, Rathindra KVK and Sri Palash Ankure, Programme Assistant (Farm Manager), Rathindra KVK with the partner farm women of CFLD Kharif Pulse



Dr. Subrata Mandal, Senior Scientist & Head, Rathindra KVK interacting with the partner farm women of CFLD Kharif Pulse

