

ICAR-CRIJAF organized “Basic Skill Development Training in Making of Cost-friendly Jute Bag and File”

A Basic Skill Development Training on Making of Cost-friendly Jute bag and file was organized by ICAR-CRIJAF, Barrackpore for rural women of Ratanpur, Madhabpur and Selarhat villages of North 24 Parganas district of West Bengal. The training was conducted at Institute’s Skill Development Hall during August 10-21, 2026 under SCSP Programme (2026-27). Total 15 nos. of SC rural women belonged to three SHGs viz. Naba Durga, Mamatamayee and Tagar participated in this training programme. The main objective of this training programme was to provide trainees the first-hand experience on making of various types of cost-friendly jute bags and file so that they can be technically empowered for contributing to their family income by making and selling these items. During the training period, the well-trained Master Trainer gave the trainees both theoretical and practical exposure and the basic skill of the participants was developed in making of different cost-friendly jute bags like shopping bag, *Shantiniketani* bag, ladies bag and jute file. The trainees were also motivated to continue their practice in making these items after the training so that they can fine-tune their acquired skill. The training was organized under the guidance and supervision of Dr. Gouranga Kar, Director, ICAR-CRIJAF with the objective to empower the farm women through building their skill in value addition of jute and pave the way for off-farm income generation. He motivated the trainees for developing some innovative designs in jute bags to make them more attractive and marketable. He interacted with each participant, motivated them and put emphasis on marketing of the jute items made by them. He said about the importance of this type of training for creating sustainable livelihood option through skill development in making value added jute diversified products. The trainees were happy with their training exposure and want to learn more skill in making diversified jute products.







