

# **AWARDEE FARMERS**



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### *Message*



**R**ecognizing successful farmers and wide scale dissemination of success stories is a note worthy initiative of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research.

I am happy to learn that the Zonal Project Directorate, Zone-II, Kolkata is bringing out a publication "Awardee Farmers" to be released during the Eighth National Conference of KVKs at UAS, Bengaluru.

The document with information of over 100 farmers/farmwomen belonging to Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal and Andaman and Nicobar Islands, who have been conferred with National/ Regional/State/District level awards would serve as an excellent database for farmers as well as other stakeholders.

I hope that this would be a source of information and inspiration to the farming community.

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(Sharad Pawar)



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## Message



Farmers' meets are being organized across the country with the objectives of learning and sharing grassroots level success stories and recognizing successful farmers. The next logical step in this direction would be to document the success stories so that it opens up opportunities for scaling out.

The Zonal Project Directorate, Zone-II, Kolkata is bringing out a publication "Awardee Farmers" with detailed information about the award, conferring agency, innovation, year of award along with address and photograph of the farmer/farm women.

With over 100 such awards won by this zone in just 3 years speak volume of its efforts.

I congratulate the Zonal Project Director and his team for this publication.

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DEPUTI DIRECTOR GENERAL



### *Foreword*



**F**armers keep experimenting with their limited farm resources to derive maximum outputs. They blend experiential wisdom for reinventing and developing time tested, improved package of practices suiting to their micro-level situations. Such success stories need to be outscaled so that many other farmers having similar resources may benefit from it. In this spirit, various organizations in National Agricultural Research and Extension System are honoring such innovative farmers.

In this context, publishing a document entitled “Awardee Farmers” by Zonal Project Directorate, Zone-II, Kolkata is timely. The document presents over 100 awardee farmers/farmwomen belonging to Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal and Andaman and Nicobar Islands, who have been conferred with National/ Regional/State/District level awards. It contains brief information about the award, conferring agency, innovation, year of award along with profile of farmer/farm women. With over 100 such awards won by the farmers of this zone in just 3 years is a commendable work done by the Krishi Vigyan Kendras of Zone II.

I hope that this document would serve as useful database for farmers as well as other stakeholders and inspire others towards achieving excellence. The Zonal Project Director, Zone-II and his team deserves appreciation for publishing the document.

(K.D. Kokate)





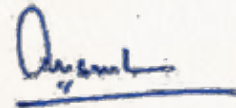
## *Preface*



Farmers of the zone II comprising Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal and Andaman and Nicobar Islands are being conferred with number of awards both at the National level and at the state level. In recent years few corporate sectors too have come forward to recognize and honour successful farmer/ farm women and this zone has bagged quite a few of them. During the last 3 years alone over 100 such awards were won by the farmers of this zone. I take this opportunity to compliment the efforts of the Krishi Vigyan Kendras for this feat.

The compilation 'Awardee farmers' comprise over 100 awardee farmers/ farmwomen belonging to Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal and Andaman and Nicobar Islands, who have been conferred with National/ Regional/ State/District level awards. It contains brief information about the award, conferring agency, innovation, year of award along with address and photograph of the farmer/farm women.

I hope that this would be a befitting tribute to the farmers who toil the land to 'feed the billion'.

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(A. K. SINGH)





## *Acknowledgements*

Farmers are being awarded by public authorities as well as private sector agencies for developing low cost innovative practices; establishing farming enterprises; adopting scientific farming practices as well as post harvest technologies. These farmers have the potential to become the role model for others. Hence a need arises to compile the awardee farmers, the innovations and their way of doing successful farming. This would not only inspire other farmers but also help other stakeholders involved in dissemination. In the making of "Awardee Farmers" the authors have received generous support from various corners.

The authors place on records sincere thanks to the Krishi Vigyan Kendras for their inputs. Inputs received from Directors of Extension Education, State Agricultural Universities of this zone are duly acknowledged. Awardee farmers and farm women of this zone also deserve special thanks for providing detailed information and photographs.

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## JAGJIVAN RAM ABHINAV KISAN PURUSKAR 2012-13



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### **Sri Dilip Kumar Singh**

Vill: Mehaddiganj  
Block: Sasaram  
Dist.: Rohtas, Bihar  
Contact No.: 08986372988

**S**ri Dilip Kumar Singh has been completely devoted to vegetable farming with organic base in Okra, bottle gourd and capsicum cultivation with intercropping and mixed cropping techniques. He is earning Rs.15-20 lakhs every year out of vegetable farming and providing farm-employment to 15-20 thousand labourers each year from his 100 acre land. His vegetables are sold in markets in Kolkata, Bokaro, Ranchi, Varanasi and Dehradun.

## KRISHI KARMAN AWARD 2011-12 FROM PRESIDENT OF INDIA



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### **Smt. Shanti Devi**

Vill : Naran  
Block: Nokha  
Dist.: Rohtas, Bihar  
Contact No.: 09430228381

**S**RI method of paddy cultivation has been largely recognized and encouraged by the Government of Bihar. **Smt. Shanti Devi**, a progressive farm-woman associated to K.V.K., Rohtas, Bikramganj has been adopting SRI-method of paddy cultivation since last 04 years. She has been using 8-12 days old seedling with 25 cms spacing from plant to plant, and single seedling transplanting system in this method. With the recommended fertilizer dose, she used to cultivate 1 ha of land through SRI-method. In the year 2011-12, she has harvested paddy to the tune of 180 Q/ha through SRI using the variety MTU-7029. This is the highest productivity achieved by a farm-women not only in Bihar but in whole of the country.

## N.G. RANGA FARMER AWARD 2010-11



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### **Sri Shashi Kumar**

Vill : Surhari  
Block: Manpur  
Dist.: Gaya, Bihar  
Contact No: 09431224880

**S**ri Shashi Kumar started beekeeping with a capital of Rs. 10,000 and 10 boxes. His firm entitled "Shiva Honey" started working with the help of loan of Rs. 1 Lakhs from Bank under PMRY scheme. The loan amount was mainly utilized for packing of honey and in obtaining AGMARK license for the produce. In the year 2004 he started a company by the name of M/s Kunwar Apiary Pvt. Ltd Project of cost Rs. 1.24 Crore. Now He has established a processing, testing and packing plant and started marketing under the Brand name of "Shiva Agro". At present around 200 beekeepers of Bihar are working with him. Now he is planning for the export of good quality Litchi Honey. He facilitates to beekeepers of Bihar for the testing of pure honey as per international standard to avoid any type of adulteration

## JAGJIWAN RAM ABHINAV KISHAN AWARD 2011-12



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### **Sri Santosh Kumar**

Vill : Shekhwara  
Block: Bodh Gaya  
Dist.: Gaya, Bihar  
Contact No. 09801672245

**S**ri Santosh Kumar a successful dairy farmer initially started it with four cows about five year ago. He increases its strength to ten then forty getting benefit from it. Now he has 70 cows and 35 calves. He has a good methodology of feeding by concentrate mixture. He adopted the principle of green fodder availability around the whole year to the animal by cultivating annual leguminous and non-leguminous grasses as well as perennial grass. He has installed a 1000 liters capacity cool chamber at dairy farm and manufacturing some of the processed product like lassi, ghee, Paneer etc. He has 04 hectares of land as ancestral property in which he has also integrated to fishery, backyard poultry, vermi compost and agriculture. His annual income is Rs. 15 to 16 lacks. His dairy (Nandni Dairy) has impressive impact on the farmers of Gaya district as well as for Bihar State. Time to time farmers visited his farm and trained by him.

## GREEN LADY AWARD 2011 REAL HERO AWARD 2012 AND KISHAN PRERNA SAMMAN 2012



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**Smt. Jaya Devi**

Vill: Sharadhi  
P.O.: Bangalawa  
Block: Dharahara,  
Dist. Munger, Bihar  
Contact No.: 09955088417

**S**mt. Jaya Devi's, efforts to ensure better quality of life to disadvantaged rural families of the area through sustainable agricultural technologies coupled with NABARD sponsored watershed management projects brought a paradigm shift in agriculture practices in the area. She formed SHGs in 1000 numbers and ventured out to overcome high cost debts of community through SHG savings and thrift. The locality is responding her efforts and tree (horti-silvi-plantation) based agriculture practices along with poultry and goatary farming. This area which had been witnessing women harassment, atrocities high cost money lending activities, other anti-social activities, now have come out of high cost debts and got rid of many social menace. The community is fighting against his menace with strong determination under her leadership

## MAHINDRA SAMRIDHI SAMMAN 2012



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**Smt. Bandana Kumari**

Vill : Mehra  
Block: Katoria  
Dist.: Banka, Bihar  
Contact No.: 07549593203

**S**mt. Bandana Kumari was a simple housewife women who used to help her family in agricultural activities. But she was not happy and she came to know about Krishi Vigyan Kendra and got trained on honey bee, mushroom production, vermicompost production and handicrafts preparation. She started all these enterprises to increase her family income. She motivated other farm women in agriculture related enterprises and formed more than 250 SHGs. She used the pumpset and fan to prepare winnowing machine which helps a lot in druggedry reduction.

## KRISHAK SANMAN PURASKAR 2012-13



*Conferred by Government of West Bengal*



**Smt. Chhabita Pramanik**

Vill : Rangamatichar  
P. O.: Dihipara  
Block: Sonamukhi  
Dist.: Bankura, W.B.  
Contact no. 09732001922

**S**mt. Chhabita Pramanik's, sound knowledge in agriculture has been disseminated through KVK, NABARD etc to other farm women. She has mobilized more than 100 SHGs in her locality and all members of the groups are engaged in agricultural practices and agricultural enterprises.

## KRISHAK SANMAN PURASKAR' 2012-13



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**Sri Kiran Sankar Roy**

Vill: Uttar Rupaisayer  
P.O.: Amritpara  
Dist.: Bankura, W.B.  
Contact No. 09609697176

**F**armers are searching for alternative land use strategies with introduction of new crops instead of paddy and potato, which would be giving more profit margin and **Sri Kiran Sankar Roy**, to solve the above cited problem, established strawberry cultivation in this area. He showed the profit of margin Rs. 3,00,000/ha could be expected, if they sale out of their produce @ Rs. 100/kg. Area of strawberry cultivation has increased up to 25 acres in this village and more number of farmers are showing interest to cultivate this crop in the coming year.



## BEST FISH FARMER AWARD 2011, & NABONMESHI KRISHI SAMMAN 2013



*Conferred by Central Institute of Fisheries Education, Kolkata Centre and Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi*



### **Sri Milon Sinha**

Vill & P.O.: Dakshin Bijoyanagar  
Dist.: South 24 Parganas  
West Bengal  
Contact No 09475272374

**S**ri Sinha has commendable achievements in the field of fisheries and aquaculture. He has developed remarkable expertise in carp breeding and culture with technical backstopping by KVK, Nimpith. Fish farmers of the neighbouring villages turn towards Sri Sinha for advice in fish farming. He has also developed an innovative marketing arrangement for fish and thereby assuring remunerative price for the fellow farmers.

## KRISHI RATNA 2012



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### **Sri Kshirendranath Das**

Vill: Uttar Majidkhana  
P.O.: Tatpara  
Block - Aliporeduar II  
Dist. Jalpaiguri, W.B.  
Contact No. 09932200118

**R**ainwater harvesting and use in agriculture through drip irrigation has been recognized as an innovative model. **Sri Kshirendranath Das** has also developed a pond based integrated farming system involving fish, horticulture, poultry. Such models has immense potential for promotion in other areas.

## BEST FARMER AWARD 2012-13 & HERO OF THE FARMERS 2011-12



*Conferred by President of India, Government of India and Government of Punjab.*



**Sri Sumant Kumar**

Vill: Darbeshpura  
Block: Katarisaria  
Dist.: Nalanda, Bihar  
Contact No. 07250946233

**S**ri Sumant Kumar has to his credit the rare distinction of achieving the highest ever yield in rice. He followed SRI method for cultivating rice and adopted scientific practices under the guidance of KVK, Nalanda. He has recorded rice yield to the tune of 220 q/ha.

## HERO OF THE FARMERS 2012-13



*Conferred by Government of Punjab*



**Sri Nitesh Kumar**

Vill: Darbeshpura  
Block: Katarisaria.  
Dist.: Nalanda, Bihar  
Contact No. 07250914456

**S**ri Nitesh Kumar followed SRI method for paddy cultivating and adopted most scientific practices for his agricultural practices. He has produced highest recorded in rice yielded 224 q/ha during 2012-13

## SIXTH NATIONAL GRASS-ROOTS TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATORS AWARD 2011-12



*Conferred by Department of Science and Technology, Govt. of India*



### **Sri Nawal Kishore Singh**

Vill: Dumarawan  
P.O.: Dumarawan  
Block: Pakaribarawan  
Dist.: Nawada, Bihar  
Contact No. 08294691795

In absence of regular veterinary services in remote villages farmers rely on traditional knowledge to cure animal diseases. **Sri Nawal Kishore** has inherited knowledge of Herbal Medication for Curing Ephemeral Fever in Cattle. This works very well and at the same time cheap and easy to practice.

## JAGJIVAN RAM ABHINAV KISAN PURUSKAR 2010-11



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### **Sri Sudhanshu Kumar**

Vill: & P.O. Nayanagar  
Dist. Samastipur, Bihar  
Contact no. 09934917017

Maize cultivation, agro forestry and Integrated farming are a few features of **Sri Sudhanshu's** farm. Maango, guava, papaya, ber, citrus etc. are some the diversified crops he grows besides major cereal crops. In integrated farming he has fish, dairy and piggery as components. He has been able to convincingly demonstrate the profitability of diversified farming

**KRISHI RATNA 2012-13**

*Conferred by Government of West Bengal*



**Sri Nandi Ranjan Sarkar**

Vill: Nakuadaha

P.O.: Itinda

Block: Basirhat I,

Dist.: North 24 Parganas, W.B.

Contact No.09732973767

**S**ri Nandi Ranjan Sarkar, a progressive fish farmer of the locality, follows all the scientific methods for breeding as well as rearing of Indian major carps. Apart from that he also adopted new technologies like line sowing jute, SRI for paddy cultivation and IPM etc.

**KRISHI RATNA 2012-13**

*Conferred by Government of West Bengal*



**Sri Gopal Chandra Mukherjee**

Vill: Khalisady

P.O.: Khalisady

Block: Haroa

Dist.: North 24 Parganas, W.B.

Contact No. 09775284981

**S**ri Gopal Chandra Mukherjee, a leading vegetable farmer of Haroa, developed an innovative marketing network for disposing his farm produces. Through this other vegetable growers of the locality are being benefitted by realizing remunerative price for their produces.

## KRISHI RATNA 2012-13



*Conferred by Government of West Bengal*



### **Sri Nirapada Biswas**

Vill: Panji

P.O.: Jangalpur

Block: Baduria

Dist.: North 24 Parganas, W.B.

Contact No. 09432965367

**S**ri Nirapada Biswas is well known as fish farmer in the locality. He followed scientific methodologies in major carp production. He is being utilized by KVKs and State Department as resource person in the field of aquaculture.

## KRISHI RATNA 2012-13



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### **Sri Haridas Mondal**

Vill: Sabdalpur

P.O.: Ashokenagar

Block: Habra-II

Dist.: North 24 Parganas, W.B.

Contact No. 09432789565

**S**ri Haridas Mondal is an entrepreneur in the field of agriculture crops. He has developed good marketing channels in collaboration with NABARD for selling his agricultural produces in the market. KVK and NABARD is utilizing Sri Mondal as an example of agricultural entrepreneur in the district.

**KISAN SAMMAN 2012-13**

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**Sri Gopal Prasad Singh**  
Vill: Sishouni  
P.O.: Basopatti  
Dist.: Madhubani, Bihar  
Contact No. 09006336366

**Sri Gopal Prasad Singh**, a progressive farmer, known for his scientific knowledge in major crop production. He cultivates major crops paddy, wheat, maize in his 20 acre farm area with good productivity.

**JAGJIVAN RAM INNOVATIVE  
FARMER AWARD 2011-12  
KRISHAKRATNA 2012 -13 &  
VIBRANT GUJARAT 2013  
GLOBAL AGRICULTURAL  
SAMMIT AWARD**



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**Sri Partha Sarathi Ghosh**  
Vill: Sahajadapur  
P.O.: Dakshin Bijaynagar  
P.S: Jaynagar,  
Dist. S 24-Parganas, W.B.  
Contact No. 09609378281

**I**nnovative methodology for mushroom cultivation. He made a production unit of iron frame of 10 ft high and 12 ft diameter having 4ft long perforated plastic pipe (4 inch dia) inserted into the centre stand of iron frame. In this method 450 kg mushroom is produced in one cycle (two month). This practice of mushroom cultivation gave Net return of Rs. 17050 / unit / cycle. Moreover he has developed land shaping technology for multiple cropping option, cotton cultivation as second crop in moisture stress condition, okra cultivation in land embankment

## BEST INNOVATIVE FARMER OF MUNGER DISTRICT 2011-12



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**Sri. Naresh Prasad Singh**

Vill + PO: Hemjapur  
Block: Dharahara  
Dist.: Munger, Bihar  
Contact No. 09472001259

**Sri Naresh Prasad Singh** is very experienced in the field of agricultural crop and livestock production. He has also developed an innovative marketing arrangement with NABARD and other stakeholders for his agricultural and livestock produces.

## ISLAND'S BEST FARMER AWARD 2010 - 11



*Conferred by Government of Andaman and Nicobar Islands*



**Sri. Ashok Kumar Sarkar**

Vill: Govindapur  
Block: Nimbudera  
N & Middle Andaman  
A & N Islands  
Contact No.09474278273

**Sri Sarkar** developed a land based Integrated farming system comprising crops-livestock-poultry-vegetables in his farm area. He is earning around Rs. 2.5-3.0 lakh every year from his farming system.

## LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S COMMENDATION CERTIFICATE 2011 - 12



*Conferred by Andaman and Nicobar Administration, A & N Islands*



### **Sri Lionald Nicomede**

Vill: Chuckchucha  
Car Nicobar,  
A & N Islands  
Contact No. 09434289594

**S**ri Lionald Nicomede, a tribal farmer, is growing vegetables in the island of Car Nicobar. Major vegetables are cabbage, cauliflower, raddish, cucurbits grown in his farm. He has developed a good marketing channels for selling his vegetables and he earns a handsome income around Rs. 2.5 - 3.0 lakh every year.

## LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S COMMENDATION CERTIFICATE 2012 - 13



*Conferred by Andaman and Nicobar Administration, A & N Islands*



### **Sri Bimal Chandra Gain**

Vill: Govindapur  
Block: Nimbudera  
N & Middle Andaman  
A & N Islands  
Contact No. 09474229005

**S**ri Gain is known for his dedication and commitment towards the agriculture and allied fields. He is closely associated with KVKs and is utilized by the KVKs and NABARD for his vast knowledge in agriculture to other farmers.



## ISLAND'S BEST FARMER AWARD 2012 - 13



*Conferred by Andaman and Nicobar Administration, A & N Islands*



**Sri Lakshman Biswas**

Vill: Shivpur  
Block: Diglipur  
N & Middle Andaman  
A & N Islands  
Contact No. 03192-291717

**S**ri Lakshman Biswas developed a fish-poultry-vegetable based integrated farming system in his farm. Annual income around Rs. 2-2.5 lakh he earned from his farm.

## BEST FARMER AWARD (KISAN MELA) 2010-11



*Conferred by Central Agricultural Research Institute, Port Blair*



**Sri Pachamuthu**

Calicut  
South Andaman  
A & N Islands  
Contact No. 09933217720

**S**ri Pachamuthu developed a floriculture based integrated farming system. With the help of KVK he developed a good market for flowers gladiolus, rose, tuberose etc and fetches a handsome income every year.

## ISLAND'S BEST FARMER AWARD 2012 - 13



*Conferred by Central Agricultural Research Institute, Port Blair*



**Sri Manindra Dhali**

Collinpur,  
South Andaman  
A & N Islands  
Contact No. 09476011745

**W**ith the help of KVK, **Sri Manindra Dhali** converted his unutilized resources into a land based farming system. He produces huge quantity of vegetables like cabbage, cauliflower, raddish, brinjal apart from his main crops, paddy, mustard etc.

## BEST FARMER AWARD (KISAN MELA) 2010-11



*Conferred by Central Agricultural Research Institute, Port Blair*



**Sri Sampada Roy**

Joypur, Billiground,  
N & Middle Andaman  
A & N Islands  
Contact No. 009474281243

**S**ri **Sampada Roy** in converting his 1 acre land including 0.3 acre pond into multi-component integrated farming system for which he has fine tuned specific crop-fish-poultry system. He uses the bund area around the pond, which thus far was looked upon as a kitchen garden of little substance, profitably by cultivating different vegetable, like chilli, tomato, onion, turmeric, garlic and using his pond for scientific IMC culture. His rearing of improved breeds of poultry has also helped him generate enough production so that after meeting the family requirement, he is able to sell excess meat and egg in local market to augment his income.

## KRISHAK RATNA 2012-13



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**Sri Saphikul Islam**

Vill: Kamat Abutara  
P.O.: Nandina  
Block: Dinhata II  
Dist.: CoochBehar, W.B.  
Contact No. 09002151011

**Sri Saphikul Islam** started cultivation of Gladiolus on land of 5 cottah along with other traditional crops. Soon after realizing profitability and market demand of Gladiolus he increased area under gladiolus gradually. At present he cultivates 12-15 varieties of Gladiolus on 5 bigha and his main crop has been changed to Gladiolus. In order to improve quality and shelf life of flower he started vermicomposting. He never uses chemical fertilizer to his field except vermicompost. Moreover, he sales surplus amount of vermicompost in the market for additional income.

## KRISHAK RATNA 2012-13



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**Sri Jogendranath Roy**

Vill: Katamari  
P.O.: ElajanerKuthi  
Block: CoochBehar I  
Dist. CoochBehar, W.B.  
Contact No. 08906816471

**Sri Jogendranath Roy** is cultivates wheat at a spacing of 10" taking help of SRI marker to determine where to sow seeds. Wheat seeds are previously treated and soaked in water. Germinated seeds were sown at desired spacing. Thereafter normal cultivation practice for wheat was followed. Adapting this new technology he yielded 30-35% more wheat grain than the traditional cultivation. Apart from his cultivation he intensified dairy farming by introducing Sahiwal breed. He is known for multidisciplinary farming in his locality.

**KRISHI RATNA 2012-13**

*Conferred by Government of West Bengal*



**Md. Amirul Islam Sarkar**

Vill. Gholdara  
P.O. Radhakrishnapur  
P.S. Kumarganj  
Dist. Dakshin Dinajpur, W.B.  
Contact No. 0811666015

**A**doption and dissemination of new technology with horticultural crops, **SRI**, **Azolla cultivation**, orchard development

**BEST PROGRESSIVE FARMER OF CHATRA 2011**

*Conferred by District Agricultural Dept. Government of Jharkhand*



**Sri. Nirmal Yadav**

Village & P.O. - Pratappur,  
Block : Pratappur,  
District – Chatra, Jharkhand  
Contact no. 09525549243

**D**eveloped an innovative technique for providing healthy seedling of paddy within 10 to 15 days duration for SRI Cultivation. The technique which are given in SRI for seedling raising is difficult in farmers field situation so farmers are facing problem for getting healthy seedling within 10 to 15 days.

## KRISHI RATNA 2012-13



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**Md. Jahangir Sarkar**

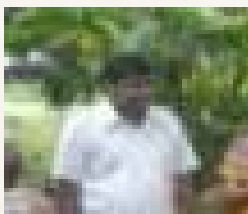
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**M**d. Jahangir Sarkar a progressive farmer, adopted the new technologies like line sowing of jute, SRI for higher yield in paddy, zero-tillage & IPM. These technologies are being disseminated to other areas by utilizing his expertise in the field.

## KRISHI RATNA 2012-13



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**Sri Dhiren Sarkar**

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P.O. Kushkari, P.S. Bansihari  
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Contact No. 09734243750

**S**ri Dhiren Sarkar is known for his knowledge in agriculture and allied fields. He always does something in his agricultural farm. He adopted new technologies like line sowing in jute, system of rice intensification, zero tillage technology for wheat cultivation. Now he became a resource person in the district and KVK, NABARD and other government agency utilize line as a trainer to other farmers.

## PLANT GENOME SAVIOUR FARMER RECOGNITION 2012



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**Sri Sumanta Misra**  
Pandapara Kalibari  
Dist. Jalpaiguri, W.B  
Contact no 09933101725

**S**ri Sumanta Misra is actively engaged in the conservation of different cultivable species of chilli, lime, Guava, cotton etc. He also actively observing the comparative performance of economically important cultivars. His efforts towards conservation have been recognized by the Govt. of India.

## BEST FARM INNOVATOR AWARD 2010-11



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**Sri Bhagat**  
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Block: Ghaghra  
Dist.: Gumla, Jharkhand  
Contact No.09835678057

**A** leading farmer Sri Bhagat doubles up as a community organiser. Assured irrigation water is a constraint for parts of Gumla. He organised Pani Panchayet and took the responsibilities of providing canal irrigation water. He has been able to mobilize the community members towards sharing a part of the cost for irrigation. This has helped ensuring irrigation water for the members.

## KRISHI RATNA - 2013



*Conferred by Government of West Bengal*



**Sri Meher Ali**

Vill+PO: Sripur  
Dist.: Malda, W.B.  
Contact No. 09733173418

**S**ri Meher Ali of Malda is a pioneer in vermicomposting technology. He received training at KVK and has developed expertise. He provides hand holding training to other farmers including women in the area. Besides producing compost he has now focused on marketing and business development in vermin-composting

## BEST SRI FARMER AWARD 2012



*Conferred by District Agricultural Department, Dhanbad, Government of Jharkhand*



**Sri Umesh Mahato**

Vill: Baghdaha,  
P.O. : Rajganj  
Block: Baghmara,  
Dist.: Dhanbad, Jharkhand  
Contact No. 09431313410

**S**ri Umesh Mahato is practicing agriculture since last three decades. Initially he grew traditional varieties in his 1.5 ha. farm, with low yield. Subsequently he switched over to improved varieties. With the technical back up of KVK, Deogarh he followed S R I method which not only gives better yield but also more profit.

## KRISHAK SAMRAT SAMMAN 2011 & KRISHAK RATNA 2013



*Conferred by Mahindra Samriddhi (Mahindra & Mahindra) & Government of W.B.*



### **Sk. Nijamul Haque**

Vill: Jagulipara  
Dist:- Burdwan  
West Bengal  
Contact No. 09232664373

**S**k. Nijamul Haque took extensive training on SRI technology and started cultivation in his own farm where he registered enhancement in productivity around 35%, he soon became one of the progressive farmers and Group Leader in a Field School on SRI conducted in 5 different villages of Burdwan district. He took leading role in spreading the basic knowledge of SRI and also encouraged them to make location specific changes in the management practices like age of seedling, seed bed preparation, fertilizer management, water management etc.

Presently he is exploiting the technology in collaboration with KVK Burdwan in different areas of Burdwan district.

## KRISHAK SAMRAT SAMMAN 2012 & KRISHAK RATNA 2013



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### **Sri Tapan Nandi**

Vill: Memari 1  
Dist.: Burdwan  
West Bengal  
Contact No.: 09433118493

**S**ri Tapan Nandi is more than just an organic farmer on grounds that apart from rescinding application of inorganics of all kind, he has reverted to using all possible forms of available organic material - wholly or in recycled manner for cultivation of crops, pisciculture and animal husbandry practices in his farm of 10 acre -ranging from biofertilisers, biopesticides, green manure, cow urine, vermicompost and vermiwash and even night soil, too! Apart from having a 4 cubic meter biogas unit from cow dung, he has developed a night soil biogas unit of 2 cubic meters, the slurry from which is utilized in feeding the fishes in the 4 acre pond in his farm. He has made one floating bed of half decomposed water hyacinth with night soil slurry and biogas slurry for feeding the fishes in one corner of his pond that resulted in augmented growth of the gluttonous fish species like grass carp and other major carps.



## KRISHI RABI AWARD 2013



*Conferred by Government of West Bengal*



**Sk. Soyeb Hossain**

Vill: Jagulipara  
Dist.: Burdwan  
West Bengal  
Contact No.: 09153707300

**S**k. **Shoyeb Hossain** in converting his 1 acre land including 0.3 acre pond into multi-component integrated farming system for which he has fine tuned specific crop-fish-duck-poultry system. He uses the bund area around the pond, which thus far was looked upon as a kitchen garden of little substance, profitably by cultivating different vegetable, like chilli, tomato, onion, turmeric, garlic etc., singly or intercropped with tissue cultured banana and using his pond for scientific IMC culture. Apart from these, he recycles the various crop residues with cow dung to generate rural compost to be used in his adjoining paddy field or in vegetables itself. His rearing of improved breeds like Khaki Campbell for duck and Rhode Island Red (RIR) and Vanraja for poultry has also helped him generate enough production so that after meeting the family requirement, he is able to sell surplus meat and egg in local market to augment his income.

## KRISHAK SAMRAT SAMMAN 2012



*Conferred by Mahindra & Mahindra Co. Ltd.*



**Sri Sudhir Mandal**

Vill: Naskarbandh  
Dist : Burdwan  
West Bengal  
Contact No.: 09732128000

**S**ri **Sudhir Mandal** is an experienced paddy grower for decades. With the increase in cost of paddy production along with substantial reduction of profit margin he was bit dejected from agriculture, came in contact to KVK Burdwan to learn new technologies in farming system like SRI technology, seed production etc. Getting success with the adoption of SRI technology in improving productivity, he soon started paddy seed production using SRI technique and succeed to fetch extra income for himself. Being famous in his locality he sells good quality paddy seeds to his neighbouring farmers and spreads the concept of seed village. He has rekindled a new hope for the farmers of this region who are dejected and want to go away from agriculture into other business towards reshaping subsistence agriculture into profitable agri-business.

## BEST PROGRESSIVE FARMER 2011 & SARTAJ SAMMAN 2011



*Conferred by Bihar Agricultural University & Sabour Bayer Crop Science Ltd.*



### **Sri Yogendra Mandal**

Vill : Dogachi  
Block: Kasba  
Dist.: Purnea, Bihar  
Contact No.: 09570946759

**S**ri Mandal practices organic cultivation since last one decade. He has produced major cereal crops like paddy, wheat, maize etc. Sri Yogendra Mandal has followed scientific method for cultivation, in this regard, he got trained from Purnea KVK for three years. He has got highest yield of Hybrid Rice (Arize) for which he was awarded Sartaj Samman by Bayer Crop Science Ltd. In 2011.

## BEST PROGRESSIVE FARMER 2012



*Conferred by Bihar agricultural University, Bhagalpur and State Bank of India Head Office, Patna*



### **Sri Mahendra Kumar Singh**

Vill & Post : Keyal  
Block : Karpi  
Dist.: Arwal, Bihar  
Contact No. 09934263033

**S**ri Mahendra Kumar Singh a progressive farmer of Arwal, grows medicinal plants in an area of 20 acre. Major plants he is growing are tulsi, bhrigaraj, neem, bel, amla, haritaki, trifala etc. He sells the plant parts to different stakeholders and in the market, in the through which he earns a handsome income which adds to his family income.

## KRISHI RATNA 2012-13



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**Sri Milton Sk.**

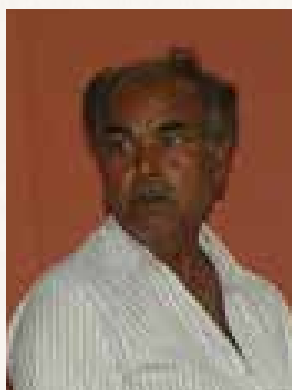
Vill: Kanapukur  
P.O.: Bhagwangola  
Block: Bhagwangola  
Dist.: Murshidabad, W.B.  
Contact No.: 07602322912

**Sri Milton Sk.**, an energetic rural youth, is very experienced in paddy seed production from last ten years. He took trainings from KVK on new technologies in farming system like SRI technology seed production etc. He produces paddy seed in tonnes through SRI method and succeeds to earn good income arrounding Rs. 10 Lakhs annually from this kind of enterprise.

## KRISHI RATNA 2012-13



*Conferred by Government of West Bengal*



**Sri Mainuddin Sk.**

Vill: Elahiganj  
P.O.: Dahapara  
Dist.: Murshidabad, W.B.  
Contact No.: 09932104436

**Sri Moinuddin Sk.** a progressive fish farmers is practicing fish cultivation by adopting a new technique since 12 years. He mixes 5-6 pieces Lifeboy soap (100g each) into 2-3 litres of warm water and thoroughly mixed. Then this emulsion sprays into nursery pond water (0.33 acre area). This emulsion must be sprayed 72 hours before releasing of spawn. He gets 85-95% survival rate to follow this technique but in normal case it will found 70-75%. It leads to maintain primary productivity of the nursery pond. This media can also help for laying mosquito eggs which is a good protein source for spawns. He is getting more fish yield and giving training to others to adopt the techniques.

## MAHINDRA SAMMIRIDDHI AWARD 2011



*Conferred by Mahindra & Mahindra Co. Ltd.*



**Sri Bikash Mandal**

Vill: Amdahara  
P.O.: Amdahara  
Block : Bhagwangola-II  
Dist.: Murshidabad, W.B.  
Contact No.: 09609443239

**Sri Bikash Mandal** took training on SRI technology and starting cultivation paddy through SRI method in his farm and got 35% more yield. He took leading role in spreading the basic knowledge of SRI and also encouraged them to make location specific changes in the management practices like age of seedling, seed bed preparation, fertilizer management, water management etc.

Presently he is being utilized by KVK and NABARD etc. as resource person in different areas of the district.

## KRISHAK RATNA 2012-13



*Conferred by Government of West Bengal*



**Sri Sujoy Bera**

Vill: Chandapur  
P.O.: Bagnan  
Dist.: Howrah  
Pin- 711303  
Contact No.: 09932936295

Initially **Sri Sujoy Bera** faced huge loss in vegetables due to insect pest and fungal diseases and bacterial wilt problem. For four consecutive years his profit from crop enterprise, particularly from vegetables, was very minimal and he got trained by the Krishi Vigyan Kendra on efficacy of growing off-season vegetables under low cost poly tunnel round the year. For the construction of the low cost poly tunnel he used properly treated bamboo and 5 layered UV stabilized 200 microne poly film. These poly tunnels have sprinkler irrigation system. Under these poly tunnels he grows palak, early cauliflower, garden pea and beans. He harvested the crop after 25 days and it continues up to August and then onwards palak is cultivated with early cauliflower as mixed crop. By adopting the process he grows huge quantity of off season vegetables and fetched around Rs.2.5-3.0 lakh in a year.

## BEST FARM WOMEN 2011-12



*Conferred by Birsa Agricultural University, Agro Tech Mela 2011, Ranchi*



**Smt. Punam Devi**

Vill: Par Tumba

Block : Sadar

Dist.: Hazaribag, Jharkhand

Contact No. 09939169652

**S**mt. Punam Devi is rearing pig by adopting scientific methodology. Heat stress has a direct bearing on the productivity not only in terms of milk production in farrowing pigs but also in terms of reproductive efficiency, body weight of piglet/blindness in new born piglets. She spread 2 inches thick soil on pucca floor in summer season to reduce the temperature thus lowering of heat stress increased the body wt. in new born piglets, increased the milk production in pig before 5 - 8 days farrowing, and reduced the birth of blind piglets, abortion, panting in pigs and high mortality in piglets.

## BEST FARM WOMEN 2010



*Conferred by Birsa Agricultural University, Agro Tech Mela 2011, Ranchi*



**Smt. Lilly Shanti Toppo**

Vill : Mariamtoli

Block : Sadar

Dist.: Hazaribag, Jharkhand

Contact No. 09905584359

**S**mt. Lilly Shanti Toppo started her goat farming with one black bengal goat. This goat was bred by the beetal buck maintained at Holy Cross KVK, Hazaribag. KVK provided training and continued technical guidance for the development and management of her farm. At present she has 32 cross bred beetal goats. Her goats weighed up to 85 kg. The goats are taken for grazing 4 - 5 hours daily and are kept in the stall at night. Besides grazing, the animals are fed with rice bran, left over from kitchen, rice water. Now her earning is Rs. 67, 500.00 per annum. Goat rearing creates employment & the family labour is effectively utilized.

## BEST INNOVATIVE FARMER 2012-13



*Conferred by Birsa Agricultural University, Ranchi*



**Sri Sukar Mohali**

Vill: Mohli Tola, Nipania  
Block: Godda  
Dist.: Godda, Jharkhand  
Contact No. 09709283060

**B**amboo is found abundantly in the nearby forest area of Godda. Generally it is sold to meet various needs like preparation of the roof of kutcha house, fencing, making several products like baskets, bamboo winnow (sup) etc. **Sri Sukar Mohali** a long duration training and started preparation of different types of fancy bamboo products like fancy bamboo baskets, pen stand, table stand, dust bin, pencil box, electric lamp, round box, Tiffin, flower vase, petro max etc. Their social and economical status has been improved by selling their products. Now their children are getting quality education and their standard of living have also improved. Now he is earning around Rs. 5000 monthly which adds to his family income.

## BEST INNOVATIVE FARMER 2012-13



*Conferred by Birsa Agricultural University, Ranchi*



**Sri Ram Dular Mahto**

Vill: Belbathan  
Block: Godda  
Dist.: Godda, Jharkhand  
Contact No. 09631794640

**S**ri Ram Dular Mahto a vegetable growing farmers of the district have been cultivating cucurbits like sponge gourd, ridge gourd, and bottle gourd since long. He was also cultivating elephant foot yam but of desi variety having high calcium oxalate content causing more acidity and less acceptability. Generally they sow elephant foot yams in the back yard of their houses. He is associated with SHGs and selling in the market and got handsome price. After that the female farmers are now preparing above items in their home for their own consumption and marketing also. The products were exhibited in various melas within state and outside state also.

## BEST PROGRESSIVE FARMER 2012-13



*Conferred by Bihar Agricultural University, Bhagalpur*



### **Smt. Anita Kumari**

Vill: Anantpur  
PO: Madhopur  
Block: Chandi  
Dist.: Nalanda, Bihar  
Contact No. 09279145222

**S**mt. Anita Kumari, a mushroom producer in Madhopur village of Nalanda district, associated with SHG. She produces mushroom and supplies to various stakeholders like mid day school, small hotels nearby Nalanda and fetches a handsome income of Rs. 10000 monthly. So many farm women in Nalanda district are following her practices.

## BEST PROGRESSIVE FARMER 2012-13



*Conferred by Bihar Agricultural University, Bhagalpur*



### **Sri Gopal Krishna**

Vill: Lachubigha  
PO: Mahanandpur  
Block: Nagarnausa  
Dist. Nalanda, Bihar  
Contact No. 09955236710

**S**ri Gopal Krishna, a dairy rearer in Nalanda district, follows the scientific methodologies of rearing of dairy cattles. Now he is having more than 100 dairy cattles and produces around 4000 L milk through which he earns Rs. 20000 daily. Now he became an entrepreneur and an example of the locality.

## BEST PROGRESSIVE FARMER OF MUNGER 2012



*Conferred by Bihar Agricultural University, Bhagalpur*



### **Sri Dinesh Singh**

P.O.: Dariyapur  
Block: Dharhara  
Dist.: Munger, Bihar  
Contact No. 09931585663

**S**ri Dinesh Singh, a progressive farmer is growing major crops like addy, wheat, maize and vegetables in an area of 20 acre. He is also having a good cattle farm. Very good knowledge in water management for his farm which results a very good yield in all crops.

## BEST PROGRESSIVE FARMER OF MUNGER 2012



*Conferred by Bihar Agricultural University, Bhagalpur*



### **Sri Swaraj Chandra Saha**

Vill: Motiatari  
P.O.: Khadagpur  
Block: Khadagpur  
Dist.: Munger, Bihar  
Contact No.09430444876

**S**ri Saha developed vermi-compost production units in his farm. He also develops his experience in expertise and establish hatchery of fish seedling by the help of Bank loan. He has produced about 50 lakh (fingerlings) and production is continued till now. He is providing fingerlings in Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal and earning Rs. 2-3 lakh per year as income. He has 5 acres of mango orchard which is 17 years old having different varieties of mother plants.



## BEST FARM INNOVATOR AWARD 2012



*Conferred by Birsa Agricultural University, Agritech Kishan Mela, Ranchi*



**Sri Lambodar Darwe**

Vill: Ghortopi  
P.O.: Thekcha ghogha  
Dist.: Dumka, Jharkhand  
Contact No. 09801311847

**S**ri Lambodar Darwe, has developed a mechanical device to lift water from dry river bed during the drier months, Dec to March. This water is pumped in to a small pond situated at higher level from where villagers take out water for irrigating crops. The device can continuously run for 24-36 hours irrigating about 10-15 acres of land. This practice is now followed by the other farmers in the Dumka district and water scarcity problem to some extent is minimized.

## SRI BEST FARMER AWARD AT DISTRICT LEVEL 2011



*Conferred by Department of Agriculture, Government of Jharkhand*



**Sri Kashi Nath Mahato**

Vill: Karitand,  
Block: Baghmara  
Dist.: Dhanbad, Jharkhand  
Contact No. 09934197619

**S**ri Mahato practiced SRI technology in his own farm where he registered enhancement in productivity around 45%, he soon became one of the progressive farmer and became Group Leader in a farmers' Field Schools on SRI conducted KVK and NABARD etc. in different blocks. He took leading role in spreading the basic knowledge of SRI and also encouraged them to make location specific changes in the management practices. Presently he is popularizing the technology in collaboration with KVK, Dist Agri Dept. and other stakeholders.

**BEST INNOVATIVE FARMER 2012**

*Conferred by Bihar Agriculture University, Bhagalpur*



**Sri Manoj Kumar Singh**

Vill: Rasen

Block: Rajpur

Dist.: Buxar, Bihar

Contact No. 09939375217

**S**ri Manoj Kumar Singh started farming on beekeeping, after getting knowledge from KVK. Initially He started with only 5 boxes and now at present number of boxes are about 650 and he has employed 15 workers to look after the farm. His earning is about 7.0 Lakh per annum. KVK, NABARD are utilizing him as resource person for dissemination of this technology to other farmers in the district

**BEST PROGRESSIVE FARMER OF BUXAR 2012**

*Conferred by Bihar Agriculture University, Bhagalpur*



**Sri Sudarsan Panday**

Vill: Unwash

Block: Itarhi

Dist.: Buxar, Bihar

Contact No. 08292220636

**S**ri Panday a progressive farmer is known as Medicinal aromatic plant cultivator in his locality. He is earning a handsome income Rs. 2.0- 2.5 lakh per annum by growing different types of medicinal plants like amla, tulsi, neem, haritaki, bhringaraj, etc.

## BEST PROGRESSIVE FARMER 2011-12 & SARVOTAM PURASKAR 2011-12



*Conferred by Bihar Agricultural University, Bhagalpur & NABARD*



**Sri Surendra Kumar Yadav**

Vill: Sahsaal  
Block: B Kothi  
Dist.: Purnea, Bihar  
Contact No. 09771721997

**S**ri Yadav has a developed farm on dairy, vermicomposting unit, biofertilizer, fisheries. An amount of 50 litres milk per day and 200 t vermicompost per year have been produced from his farm which fetched a good income of around Rs. 12-15 lakh annually.

## BEST PROGRESSIVE FARMER 2012-13



*Conferred by Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi*



**Sri Bihari Lal Kushwaha**

Vill : Mahamadpur  
Block: Tarapur  
Dist.: Munger, Bihar  
Contact No. 09934022748

**S**ri Kushwaha, a progressive farmer, is cultivating paddy, wheat, vegetables, pulses by following very scientific methodology. He is also having a large cattle farm.

**KRISHI RATNA 2012**

*Conferred by Government of West Bengal*

**Sri Shankar Malik**

Vill: Manipur, Akhna Block- Polba-Dadpur  
Dist.: Hooghly, W.B.  
Contact No. 09051146062

**S**ri Shankar Malik has a protective cultivation unit in which he produces colored capsicum, Cauliflower in huge quantity every year and earns around Rs. 15 – 20 lakh per year. He is cultivating maize in his 10 acre of farm by following the improved cultivation practices.

**KRISHI RATNA 2012**

*Conferred by Government of West Bengal*

**Sri Krishnu Simlai**

Vill: Dasghara  
Block- Dhaniakhali  
Dist.: Hooghly, W.B.  
Contact No. 09434515888

**S**ri Krishnu Simlai, a potato grower in Hooghly district, by following methods for hardening the skin as well as preconditioning the seeds to adopt the sudden low temperature in cold storage and thus maintain the seed quality for next year. He produces huge quantity of potato seed every year and fetches around Rs. 10-12 lakh per annum.

## SARWASHRESHTH KRISHAK PURUSKAR 2010-11



*Conferred by Department of Agriculture, Government of Jharkhand*



**Sri Sadanand Mandal**  
Baridih, Hansdiha, Sariahat  
Dist. Dumka, Jharkhand  
Contact no. 09431130454

Adoption of scientific practices in agriculture can surely bring prosperity and **Sri Sadanand Mandal** is a bright example. With the support of KVK, Dumka and the line departments he has been able to get rice yield of 6.2 t/ha. In rabi crops too he getting record production. His farm has become a regular venue for organizing field days and lot of farmers from neighbouring villages benefit from his experiences.

## BEST PROGRESSIVE FARMER OF DHANBAD 2012



*Conferred by Department of Agriculture Dhanbad*



**Sri Parmeshwar Choudhary**  
Vill: Chutiyaro,  
Block: Govindpur  
Dist.: Dhanbad, Jharkhand  
Contact No. 09939164015

**Sri Choudhary** has not adopted SRI method he has been actively encouraging others to follow SRI. He has been steadily getting impressive rice yield to the tune of 6-7 t/ha since 2009. He is in regular contact with KVK scientists.

## BEST PADDY FARMER OF DISTRICT 2010-11



*Conferred by District Agriculture Department, Govt of Jharkhand*



### **Sri Abhinash Pd. Sahi**

Vill: Paniara,  
P.O.: Mohanpur,  
Dist.: Deoghar, Jharkhand  
Contact No. 09308687228

**S**ri Sahi is practicing agriculture since last twenty years. Initially he grew traditional varieties in his 2 ha. farm and subsequently switched over to improved varieties. However he was not satisfied with the production. With the technical back up of KVK, Deogarh he followed S R I method which not only gives better yield but also more profit.

## BEST PROGRESSIVE FARMER OF DISTRICT 2010-11



*Conferred by District Agriculture Department, Govt of Jharkhand*



### **Sri Varun Kr. Roy**

Vill: Bhujia  
P.O.: Devipur  
Dist.: Deoghar, Jharkhand  
Contact No.0 9931559916

**S**ri Varun is a young and educated farmer. He inherited a 2.1 ha farm from his father. Shaking off initial reluctance to do farming he started doing it differently. He underwent training in cost saving technologies – INM, IPM, SRI etc. and adopted new scientific practices in his farm. He has become a role model other youths and encourages them to do farming.

## BEST PROGRESSIVE FARMER 2013



*Conferred by Birsa Agricultural University, Ranchi*



**Sri Vasudev Mahato**

Vill: Palani,  
P.O.: Palani  
Dist.: Dhanbad, Jharkhand  
Contact no. 09955897479

**Sri Vasudev Mahato** is a leading farmer at the same time he is extension agent. He is considered to be a source of information by others because of his experience. He guides tribal youths to practice scientific farming.

## PRASAR BHARTI AWARD 2010 & PROGRESSIVE FARMER AWARD 2010



*Conferred by Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India and Government of Jharkhand*



**Sri Kashi Nath Mahato**

P.O.: Kumir, Block - Patamda,  
Dist.: Dhanbad,  
Vill: Churda,  
Jharkhand  
Contact no. 09939158025

**Sri Kashi Nath Mahato** has made a name for himself in Vegetable Cultivation and its marketing in Dhanbad. He adopted scientific method of vegetable cultivation and influences others to follow the same through radio/tv talks. In Cauliflower, Cabbage, Tomato, Brinjal, onion etc. he is getting record yield. His produces are sent outside states like West Bengal, Odisha etc.

## SRI BEST FARMER AWARD AT DISTRICT LEVEL 2012



*Conferred by Department of Agriculture, Government of Jharkhand*



### **Sri Srish Kumar Singh**

Vill: Golmara,  
P.O.: Pargha,  
Dist.: Dhanbad, Jharkhand  
Contact no. 09835794837

**Sri Srish Singh** a progressive farmer of Dhanbad is known for passion for farming. Not only in rice but also in rabi crops he has set an example for others. Line departments hold field schools in his 3.1 ha farm so that people come together and learn in actual farm and get first hand information. This has become useful in popularizing SRI and other technologies.

## PROGRESSIVE FARMER AWARD 2011-12



*Conferred by Department of Agriculture, Government of Jharkhand*



### **Sri Nand Kishor Yadaw**

Babhankheta, Sariahat,  
Dist. Dumka, Jharkhand  
Contact no. 09431130454

**Sri Nand Kishor Yadaw**, He is an expert in vegetable seed (pea, egg plant, tomato and okra) production at village level. He has formed vegetable seed village through self help groups. He uses foundation seed of new and high yielding varieties of vegetable crops taking from the different parts of India. He is expert in grading, packaging and marketing of seeds. He is also engaged in training other farmers for seed production and its marketing. The quality seeds produced by his group are well accepted by the farmers of the district.



## KRISHI RATNA 2013



*Conferred by Government of W.B*



**Sri Arun Mahata**

Vill: Ergoda  
P.O.: Ergoda  
Block: Jamboni  
Dist. Paschim Medinipur  
Contact No. 09933834516

**Sri Arun Mahata** is a torch bearer of scientific farming in jamboni. He has adopted latest techniques in crop production, Orchard development, vermicompost production and other allied agricultural activities with technical guidance from the KVK. He has motivated other youth in his locality to undergo training and follow scientific methods of farming. He is a trouble shooter for farming related problems.

## BEST FARM ENTREPRENEUR 2012



*Conferred by Birsa Agricultural University, Ranchi*



**Sri Vijay Kumar**

Village : Basadih  
Panchayat : Indra  
Block : Churchu  
Dist. Hazaribag, Jharkhand  
Contact No. 09204703360

**Sri Vijay Kumar** has pioneered the application of botanical pesticides in churchu. He uses neem, haldi based products for managing pest problems in crops and vegetables and bio-fertilizers in place of chemicals. His produces are earning him better market price as it is organically grown.

## MUKHYA MANTRI KISAN PURASKAR YOJNA 2010



*Conferred by Government of Jharkhand*



### **Sri Srimant Mishra**

Vill: Rakhdih  
P.O. Kumir, Birra Patamba  
Dist. East Singhbhum, Jharkhand  
Contact No. 09955472243

**Sri Mishra** is an enterprising farmer and grows vegetables and cereal crops following scientific methods. He obtained KCC loan of Rs 1.0 lakh and within a year could repay his loan. With the help of NABARD he has established an Integrated farming system of horti-dairy-poultry.

## SARWASHRESHTH KRISHAK PURUSKAR 2010-11



*Conferred by Department of Agriculture, Government of Jharkhand*



### **Sri Sadanand Mandal**

Baridih, Hansdiha, Sariahat,  
Dist. Dumka, Jharkhand  
Contact No. 09431130454

**Sri Sadanand Mandal**, has been cultivating paddy by scientific method to improve the productivity in the district. Introduction of hybrid paddy and SRI in the district was first introduced by his effort. Others farmers were motivated by seeing his paddy field and bumper yield increase of 30 per cent. He was chosen as president of district farmer advisory committee and vice president of state farmer advisory committee. He used to adopt best practices and technology of paddy every time and also involved in paddy seed production.

## KRISHI RATNA 2012-13



*Conferred by Government of West Bengal*



### **Sri Shyam Lala**

Vill: Karandighi,  
Dist. Uttar Dinajpur, W.B.  
Contact No. 09932609342

**S**ri Shyam Lala has adopted resource conservation technology with special reference to Zero tillage cultivation and thereby saved cost. With the support of KVK he is following this for major crops. He is influencing other farmers to follow it because it saves labour as well as check nutrient loss.

## MAHINDRA SAMRIDHI AWARD 2012-13



*Conferred by Mahindra & Mahindra Co. Ltd.*



### **Smt. Ruma Basak**

Vill: Satramgachh  
Post- Chopra,  
Dist. Uttar Dinajpur, W.B.  
Contact No. 09932350450

**S**mt Ruma Basak is a household name in Satraganchh. Through women self help groups she is promoting vermicomposting. She gives hand holding support to women and supervises both production as well as post production phases. As it is produced indoor and demands less time, vermicomposting is becoming very popular. An ordinary member earns an average Rs 1500 per month from this enterprise.

## YUVA KISHAN AWARD - 2013



*Conferred by Bihar Agricultural University, Bhagalpur*



### **Sri Mohan Kumar Singh**

Vill: Dhabauli  
Block: Pattarghat  
Dist. Saharsa, Bihar  
Contact no. 09939485845

One of the winners of Yuva Kisan award 2013 instituted by BAU, Sabour is **Sri Mohan**. After completion of education he was jobless and spent a few years whiling away time. Coming in contact with KVK, Saharsa and undergoing training in integrated farming, he decided to practice farming. Crop diversification and application of scientific methods are the hallmarks of his farming business. Many other youths who were shying away from farming could regain confidence and are following suits.

## BEST INNOVATIVE FARMER 2012



*Conferred by Bihar Agricultural University, Bhagalpur*



### **Sri Jawahar Thakur**

Vill: Mahishi  
Block: Mahishi  
Dist.: Saharsa, Bihar  
Contact No. 09279109121

Line sowing in cereal, pulses and oil seed that facilitates better crop management has resulted in betterment of yield, feels **Sri Jawahar** of Saharsa. An progressive farmer with over 15 years of farming experience, he has adopted zero tillage technique.

## PAIDAWAR SAMRAT 2011-12 AND PROGRESSIVE FARMER AWARD 2012-13



*Conferred by ICRD Regional Station, Samastipur and Advanta Co. Ltd.*



### **Sri Raj Narayan Singh**

Vill+P.O.: Keshawe  
Block-Barauni  
Dist.: Begusarai, Bihar  
Contact No. 09472805750

A farmer cum breeder **Sri Raj Narayan** is known for developing papaya varieties. His farm is a mini research institute. He is a master trainer for KVK and line departments. He is practicing conservation Farming (Tillage); Dairying; Cultivation of hybrid rice. At the age of 65 he is relentlessly trying to attract and retain the youth in agriculture.

## UDYAN PANDIT 2010-11 BIHAR GAURAV 2012-13



*Conferred by Horticulture Department*



### **Sri Lalan Prasad Shukla**

Vill: Baswaria via Motihari,  
Dist.: East Champaran, Bihar  
Contact No 09472263738

Flower Cultivation in East Champaran is a new venture and **Sri Lalan Prasad Shukla** has mastered the skills in this. He grows gladiolus, marigold, tube rose, dahlia and a few exotic flowers. He is planning for a green house for rose cultivation round the year. Planting materials of Sri Lalan Prasad Shukla are very popular among farmers. At times govt. departments source planting materials from his farm.

## BEST FISH FARMER AWARD 2011-12



*Conferred by Central Inland Fisheries Research Institute (ICAR)*



**Sri Dinanath Singh**  
Kalyanpur, Madhubani  
Barauli  
Dist. Gopalganj, Bihar  
Contact No. 09939724531

**F**ish Farming in gopalganj is a traditional vocation. With the consumers becoming aware of the health benefits of eating fresh fish, demand for Rohu, ctla and Magur is on the rise. **Sri Dinanath** with the support of KVK has been practicing composite fish farming with supplementary feeding and water exchange. This has enabled him get fish yield of 4.7 tonne/ha/year.

## BEST SUGARCANE FARMER 2011 BEST FISH FARMER AWARD 2011-12



*Conferred by Indian Institute of Sugarcane Research and National Bureau of Fish Genetic Resources (ICAR), Lakhnau.*



**Sri Rajesh Kumar Singh**  
Gopalpur  
Sidhwaliya  
Dist. Gopalganj, Bihar  
Contact No. 09471231539

**A** progressive farmer of Gopalganj **Sri Rajesh** has earned the reputation of achieving record production of sugarcane by following improved cultivation practices. He owns a pond of 1.5 acre and follows extensive fish farming. an exposure visit to Andhra Pradesh sponsored by ATMA acted as an eye opener. He started intensive fish farming following all scientific methods and could get a production of 4.4 t/ha/year.

## PROGRESSIVE FARMER 2010-11 AND MAHINDRA SAMRIDHI AGRI AWARD 2012-13



*Conferred by Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi and Mahindra & Mahindra Co. Ltd.*



**Sri Sanjeev Kumar**

Vill : Chakwara, Hajipur  
Dist.: Vaishali, Bihar  
Contact No.: 09852109928

**C**auliflower seed production and storage has been a very rewarding enterprise for **Sri Sanjeev**. He is a vegetable grower understands the importance of good quality seed. With the support of KVK he initiated cauliflower seed production in 2009. And since then no looking back. Both public as well as private agencies conferred him number of awards in recognition of his efforts.

## RASTRIYA KANSHYA PADAK 2010 -11 & INNOVATOR FARMER AWARD 2012-13



*Conferred by Indian Institute of Vegetable Research and Indian Agricultural Research Institute*



**Sri Shankar Kishore Choudhary**

Vill : Jadhua Barai Tola,  
Dist.: Vaishali, Bihar  
Contact No.: 09234762155

**I**mproved mustard cultivar Pusa gold has changed the fortune of **Sri Shankar**. Inspired by KVK he adopted scientific methods of growing mustard. Row sowing, interculture operation, water and nutrient management has resulted in a yield of 2100 kg/ha

## BEST PROGRESSIVE FARMER 2011-12



*Conferred by Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi*



### **Sri Sita Ram Sharma**

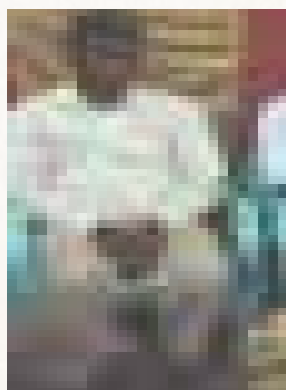
Vill: Jitwariya  
Block- Kalyanpur  
Dist Samastipur, Bihar  
Contact No. 0934775268

Farmers can do better in transferring technologies to other farmers. **Sri Sitaram** did exactly the same. His farm of 2.2 ha at Jitwaria has truly become a place of learning for others. Field schools are being organised, demonstrations are laid and training programmes are held with the sponsorship of ATMA and other stakeholders.

## BEST PROGRESSIVE AWARD 2012-13



*Conferred by Bihar Agricultural University, Sabour, Bhagalpur*



### **Sri Shyam Sundar Singh**

Vill: Belad  
Post- Belad  
Block-Kashichak  
Dist.: Nawada, Bihar  
Contact no. 09973957039

**Sri Shyam Sundar Singh** progressive farmer is known in the locality for his special work in the field of medicinal and aromatic plants cultivation. He has developed a good marketing network with the help of NABARD for selling his all the products of medicinal and aromatic plants and species.



## BEST PROGRESSIVE FARMER 2012-13



*Conferred by Rajendra Agricultural University, Pusa*



### **Sri Kumar Rakesh**

Vill+ P.O.: Chanpur  
Block: Goryakothi,  
Dist. Siwan, Bihar  
Contact No. 08051808849

**S**ri Kumar has adopted cyclic carp culture technology. Instead of harvesting at the end of culture period he does periodic harvesting and as a result the total biomass production is better. He also maintains a small pond wherein fingerlings are raised. Whenever he harvests fish, replenishment is done by stocking fingerlings.

## BEST KISAN CLUB AWARD 2011-12



*Conferred by National Bank for Agricultural & Rural Development, Patna*



### **Sri Baidhnath Raut**

Vill & P.O.: Majhaur,  
Block. Nanpur,  
Dist. Sitamarhi, Bihar,  
Contact No. 09576492541

**K**isan clubs can become a very good mechanism for transfer of technology. Here farmer to farmer extension takes place. Kisan club established with the support of NABARD and initiated by Sri Baidyanath is a successful attempt. The club is engaged in empowerment of members, transfer of technology, market advocacy & credit counseling.

## BEST FARMER OF THE DISTRICT 2012-13



*Conferred by Birsa Agricultural University, Ranchi*



### **Sri Ghanshyam Murmu**

Vill: Koh

P.O.: Petarwar

Block: Petarwar

Dist.: Bokaro, Jharkhand

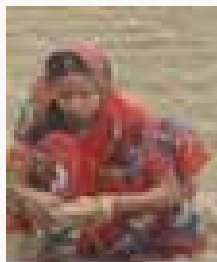
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**S**ri Ghanshyam Murmu got the best performance in the field of vegetable production, Nursery raising in tube & polythene bag under Green house for early cultivation of vegetable and getting maximum price of the product.

## BEST FARMER OF THE DISTRICT 2012-13



*Conferred by Birsa Agricultural, Ranchi*



### **Smt. Purnima Devi**

Vill: Etke Khutahara

P.O.: Chargi

Block: Petarwar

Dist.: Bokaro, Jharkhand

Contact No. 09798978116

**S**mt. Purnima Devi is an entrepreneur in the field of Mushroom production. She has developed some SHGs and all the members are engaged in mushroom production. With the help of NABARD she has developed a marketing network for disposing their mushroom

## INNOVATIVE FARMERS SELECTION CERTIFICATE 2012



*Conferred by Bihar Agriculture University, Bhagalpur*



### **Sri Vinod Kumar Singh**

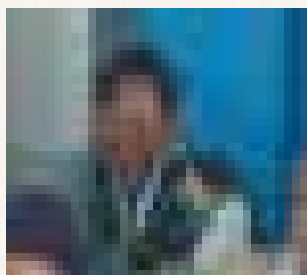
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Block: Simari  
Dist.: Buxar, Jharkhand  
Contact No. 09430573996,

**S**ri Vinod Kumar Singh developed mushroom enterprise in his farm. He along with his members of his SHGs are producing huge quantity of mushroom every year. KVK Buxar and NABARD helped them to develop a marketing channels for selling their produces.

## INNOVATIVE FARMERS SELECTION CERTIFICATE - 2012



*Conferred by Bihar Agriculture University, Bhagalpur*



### **Sri Hareram Panday**

Vill: Parmanpur  
Block: Dumraon  
Dist.: Buxar, Jharkhand  
Contact No. 09939948539

**S**ri Hareram Panday is known as a progressive farmer in Buxar district. He is cultivating medicinal and aromatic plants in his 20 acre of farm. He is earning around Rs. 10.0 - 12.0 lakh annually from his farm by selling his medicinal and aromatic plants and species.

**KRISHI RAVI 2011-12**

*Conferred by Government of West Bengal*



**Sri Dil Bahadur Thapa**

Address: Lower Dungra, Damai Tar I, Kalimpong  
Dist. Darjeeling, W.B.  
Contact No. 09933043081

**S**ri Dil Bahadur Thapa, an entrepreneur in vermicompost production in the locality. At present he is producing 10 tonnes of compost and 0.5 tonnes of vermi-worms annually. He has developed 15 SHGs comprising 15-20 farmers in nearby villages who are jointly producing vermicompost and selling it in different parts of the state.

**BEST FARMER FELICITATION  
2012-13**

*Conferred by Government of West Bengal*



**Sri Ashok Rai**

Vill: Sindebong  
Near Jor Maney  
P.O.: Kalimpong  
Dist.: Darjeeling  
Contact No: 09002457676

**S**ri Ashok Rai, 43 years old from Sindaybong Busty near Kalimpong has come forward to take-up food processing as his profession. He started his processing unit in a small scale taking technical help from KVK, Kalimpong. He has 25.00 sq. m area for processing and storage of the products with financial help from Bank. He generated employment opportunity for rural youth.

## BEST FARMER AWARD 2012



*Conferred by District Agricultural Department, Government of Jharkhand*



**Sri. Mithlesh Dangi**

Vill. & P.O.: Dariyatu,  
Block: Chatra,  
Dist.: Chatra, Jharkhand  
Contact No.: 09470956077

**T**urmeric rhizome placing in furrows is an age old practice of turmeric growers. **Sri Mithlesh Dangi** Innovated a technique in which mother rhizomes soaked in solution made with 1kg cow dung mixed with 5liter water for six hours placing the rhizome in the furrows over vermi-compost. By following this he is getting disease free crop with equally impressive yield.

## BEST VEGETABLE FARMER OF CHATRA 2012



*Conferred by District Agricultural Department, Government of Jharkhand*



**Sri Ramshewak Dangi**

Vill. & P.O. - Gidhour,  
Block : Gidhour,  
Dist.: Chatra, Jharkhand  
Contact No.: 09430194586

**F**armers generally grow seedling of tomato cauliflower capsicum, Chilli under innovated tunnels for protect the seedling from unfavorable weather condition during rainy and winter season. **Sri Ramshewak Dangi** developed a technology of the seedling shown in June and July in rainy season under protected environment in tunnel and tunnes are removed when climate become without cloud. For making the tunnel Bamboo stick and polythene seed was used. Sri Dangi obtained better yield by following his innovative technology.

**BEST FARMAR AWARD 2009**

*Conferred by West Bengal Science and Technology, Government of West Bengal.*



**Sri Chandra Narayan Bairagya**

Address: Memari 1  
Dist. Burdwan, W.B.  
Contact No.09474643067

**S**ri Chandra Narayan Bairagya of Memari, Burdwan owns a model fish farm named "Radha Fish Farm" at village Khano. The farm has nursery ponds, rearing and stocking ponds, paddy fields, and above all, his indigenous invention, the Chandra Hatchery, which he has developed by modifying the existing three-in-one fish reproductive chamber to two-in-one bundh-cum-hatching pool. The mortality rate of spawn is only 2-3% in two-in-one bundh-cum-hatching pool as compared to nearly 15-16% in the conventional three chamber hatchery.

**BEST FARMER AWARD 2010-11**

*Conferred by Birsa Agricultural University, Ranchi*



**Sri Dhaneshwar Mahto**

Vill. Bedal  
Panchayt - Masmano  
Block: Bhandra  
Dist. Lohardaga, Jharkhand  
Contact no. 09431100641

**S**ri Dhaneshwar is a leading ginger producer. He underwent training at KVK Lohardaga in 2010 and growing ginger scientifically. He sources improved variety planting material from BAU. Ginger farming has proven to be more profitable than cereals.

## SARAS MELA AWARD 2011



*Conferred by Ministry of Rural Development Govt. of India (ICAR)*



### **Smt. Shakuntala Devi**

Vill: Serka  
Block: Bishunpur  
Dist.: Gumla, Jharkhand  
Contact No. 09334326522

**S**mt. Shakuntala has played commendable role in empowerment of women SHGs. She herself being the secretary of a SHG realized the problem SHGs face in marketing their produce. She took the initiative in organizing a federation of SHGs and pooling their produces. This has helped better negotiation with the potential buyers and thereby realizing better price.

## KRISHI RATNA 2013



*Conferred by Government of West Bengal*



### **Md. Magneb Ali**

Vill: Bahadurpur.  
PO: Purba Bahadurpur,  
Dist : Malda, W.B.  
Contact No. 09735967331

**K**rishi Ratna award winner Md. Magneb Ali adopted mixed farming, SRI, Resource Conservation through zero tillage. He is also following improved practices in jute and pulse production. He is a progressive farmer always looking for best package of practices He maintains a small mango orchard.

## BEST SRI FARMER AWARD 2012



*Conferred by District Agricultural Department, Dhanbad, Government of Jharkhand*



### **Sri Vasudeo Mahato**

Vill: Baghdaha  
P.O.: Rajganj,  
Block: Dhanbad, Jharkhand  
Contact No. 09234325783

**S**ri Vasudeo Mahato has adopted SRI method of rice cultivation since 2010. He underwent training at block as well as at KVK. He has got impressive rice yield to the tune of 6.1 t/ha in 2011. He encourages other farmers to follow SRI and urges them to contact KVK scientists for training.

## BEST SRI FARMER AWARD 2011 - 12



*Conferred by District Agricultural Department, Bokaro, Government of Jharkhand*



### **Sri Abhay Kr. Singh**

Vill: Bundu  
P.O.: Petarwar  
Block- Petarwar  
Dist. Bokaro, Jharkhand  
Contact No. 009431324678

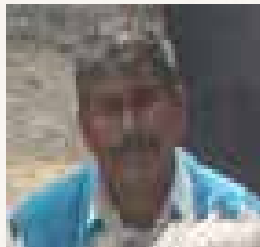
**S**RI method of rice cultivation has changed the fortune of Sri Abhay Kr. Singh. This has not only cut down cost on account of labour and inputs but also enhanced yield. ATMA Bokaro has conferred Best Farmer award in 2013 for achieving production of 5.8 t/ha.



## BEST FARMER SCIENTIST AWARD 2012



*Conferred by Centre for International Trade in Agriculture & Agro Based Industries (CITA)*



### **Sri Swapan Mandal**

Vill. Natun Bhabanipur  
P.O.-Srikrishnapur  
Block-Haringhata  
Dist. Nadia, W.B.  
Contact No. 09434554916

**Sri Mandal** developed a new variety of chilli cultivar by crossing conventional variety of Bengal with a traditional chilli cultivar of Assam which showed resistance against leaf curl. New variety apart from giving higher yield has got better fruit quality (green in colour, pungent, high yielding, and upward direction)

## BEST PROGRESSIVE FARMER 2011-12 & SARVOTAM PURASKAR 2011-12



*Conferred by Bihar Agricultural University, Bhagalpur & NABARD*



### **Sri Surendra Kumar Yadav**

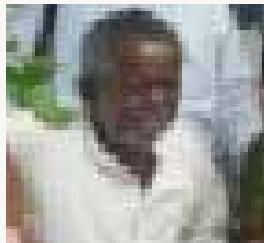
Vill : Sahsaul  
Block: B. Kothi  
Dist.: Purnea, Bihar  
Contact no. 09771721997

**Sri Surendra Kumar Yadav** is not only a progressive farmer of Purnea but also a role model for the rural youth for entrepreneurship development. He is practicing animal husbandary, vgermicomposting, biofertilizer, fisheries, dairying in a 4.2 ha farm. This farm also generated employment opportunity for 25 rural youth.



## KRISHI RATNA 2012-13

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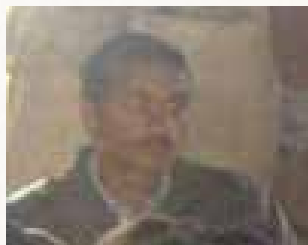
### **Sri Dayamoy Mahato**

Vill. Arjunjora,  
P.O. Arjunjora,  
Block Hura,  
Dist. Purulia, W.B.  
Contact No. 08001652901

**R**efinement of Indigenous Technical Knowledge (ITK) practiced by the **Sri Dayamoy Mahato** on use of botanical pesticide as Parasi (*Cleistanthus collinus*) fresh mature leaf @150 kg/ha at the time of final land preparation before transplanting against Yellow Stem Borer (*Scirpophaga incertulas*) and Caseworm (*Nymphula depunctalis*) of paddy. Sri Mahato always get a very good production from his farm. He is now use as a master resource person by KVK, NABARD for sharing his knowledge to other farmers of nearby villages.

## KRISHAK SAMMAN PURASKAR 2012

*Conferred by Government of West Bengal*



### **Sri Ashutosh Biswas**

Vill+P.O. -Guash  
Block-Karimpur-II  
Dist. Nadia, W.B.  
Contact No. 09732643639

**S**ri Ashutosh Biswas, known for introducing new crops like strawberry, gladiolus, rose, tuberose, exotic ber in his existing farming system. He has developed a fish based integrated farming system. He developed a marketing net work among the farmers of his locality.

## PROGRESSIVE FARMERS AWARD 2012 & SARTAJ SAMMAN 2012



*Conferred by Bihar Agricultural University, Sabour & Bayer Crop Science Ltd.*



### **Sri Yogendra Mandal**

Vill : Dogachi  
Block: Kasba  
Dist.: Purnea, Bihar  
Contact No. 09570946759

**S**ri Yogendra Mandal practicing organic rice cultivation since last 10 years. He has been guided in this endeavour by the KVK. He is also producing hybrid rice (Arize) with very high production of 110 q/ha.

## PRAGATISIL KRISAK SAMMAN AWARD 2011



*Conferred by Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi*



### **Sri Joydeb Mahato**

Vill. Putidih  
P.O. Iloo  
Block Jhalda I,  
Dist. Purulia, W.B.  
Contact No. 0919932138348

**S**ri Joydeb Mahato is famous lac based entrepreneur in Purulia district. It is estimated there is a sporadic occurrence of around 21 lakh Palash, 60 thousand Kusum and 20 thousand Ber trees in different free range and private lands in 11 blocks and 33 moujhas of the Purulia district of south-west circle of State Forest department had been taken under consideration. The collective seedlac holding capacity of these plants is about 25 thousand quintal per annum and having a production capacity of 5 to 8 times of shellac quantity. According to latest survey the help of applied science can trigger the Lac productivity up to 10 times. At least 20 thousand families living Below Poverty Line are being benefitted from this newly introduced Lac cultivation in Purulia district.

## BEST FARMER OF GUMLA DISTRICT 2012-13



*Conferred by District Agricultural Department, Government of Jharkhand.*



**Sri Gopal Gope**

Vill: Burhu  
Block: Ghaghra  
Dist.: Gumla, Jharkhand  
Contact No.: 08292757047

**S**ri Gopal Gope tried to cultivate vegetables in 2 acres of land year round. His positive approach and self testing idea resulted in innovative idea for safe and early raising of cucurbitaceous seedling in plastic tea cups. Getting idea in this aspect he followed all the good practices for raising seedlings in open field nursery. He succeeded but with very few healthy seedlings. Plastic cup seedling raising idea became a boon for him and adjoining villagers, who involved in commercial vegetable cultivation. Sri Gope told that most of the farmers grow vegetables for commercial purpose and they succeed in his practices also. But the challenge is to stay in the market during rainy season. He has sown the seed in cup in different dates with a view to escape the damage by heavy rain.

## BEST FARMER OF GUMLA DISTRICT 2012-13



*Conferred by District Agricultural Department, Government of Jharkhand.*



**Smt. Purnima Devi**

Vill: Hethadar  
Block: Ghaghra  
Dist.: Gumla, Jharkhand  
Contact No.: 09304511864

**R**e-use of mushroom bed for vermicomposting production. Now this technology is popularized in the nearby villages and many of the farm women are following this type of organic cultivation of the vegetables. **Smt. Purnima Devi** has formed around 250 number of SHGs and these group succeeded to earn Rs. 5000 to 10000 per month additional income after harvest of mushroom.

## BEST FARMER OF ROHTAS DISTRICT AWARD 2012-13



*Conferred by Bihar Agricultural University, Bhagalpur*



### **Sri Rajeev Ranjan**

Vill: Kochas  
Block: Kochas  
Dist.: Rohtas, Bihar  
Contact No.: 09934940845

**S**ri Rajeev Ranjan has started mushroom and spawn production since the year 2004 and presently taken up the activities on entrepreneurship mode. He used to produce oyster mushroom on 500 sq ft land with the yield level of 25 kgs of fresh mushroom daily. He produces 1.5 - 2.0 q of spawn every month in his small laboratory situated adjacent to the production unit. He has started a training centre of his own on "mushroom/ spawn production" named as "Bibhu Mushroom Centre" in the locality and already trained 2000 rural youths on this. He has been awarded with many prizes / certificates in the state, district and University level for his success in the mushroom/ spawn production.

## BEST FARM ENTREPRENEUR 2012-13



*Conferred by Bihar Agricultural University, Bhagalpur*



### **Sri Lokesh Kumar**

Vill: Kushahi  
Block: Karahgar  
Dist.: Rohtas, Bihar  
Contact No.: 08873937726

**S**ri Lokesh Kumar is a successful entrepreneur of value-added products of vermi-compost. He has modified the vermi-compost sieving machine as per the local needs; the sieve size and power source has been changed to retain finer quality vermi-compost. The lumps problem, earlier faced, was also removed by him by changing the gear size. His modified vermi-compost production system has fetched him 1500 mt vermi-compost, 1200 kgs worms, 1200 L of bio-pesticides in the year 2011-12 and earned a net return of Rs.17.00 lakhs in that year.

## BEST FARMER OF ROHTAS DISTRICT 2011-12



*Conferred by Bihar Agricultural University, Bhagalpur*



### **Sri Bijay Bahadur Singh**

Vill: Sabeya  
Block: Rajpur  
Dist.: Rohtas, Bihar  
Contact No.: 08002119937

**S**ri Vijay Bahadur Singh of Rohtas district has developed a patch of nearly 2.0 ha barren land into most productive farm through integrated land and water management practices. Production and use of vermi-compost, use of organic and inorganic mulch, adoption of latest methods of water application and selective use of crop rotation has improved the soil quality and productivity of land many folds within a short span of 3-years. He has successfully cultivated vegetables crops in the land - sponge gourd, bitter gourd, turmeric, bottle gourd, tomato, elephant foot yam, brinjal, spinach, gram, onion/garlic, straw-berry, cauliflower etc. and started earning Rs. 4.5 - 5.0 lakhs per year out of this.

## BEST FARM INNOVATOR AWARD 2012-13



*Conferred by Central Institute of Post Harvest Engineering and Technology, Ludhiana*



### **Sri Nandlal Vishwakarma**

Vill: Amra  
Block: Sasaram  
Dist.: Rohtas, Bihar  
Contact No.: 07870992048

**A** small farmer and dropout labour of Indian Railways Sri Nandlal Vishwakarma of Amra village of Rohtas district has fabricated a steam engine which can run on paddy husk on self sustainable basis in rice milling. The capacity of engine varies from 20 HP to 80 HP as per requirement of the rice mill. The input of paddy husk is nearly 80% of the output of milling operation. Considering 225 gm/kw/hr specific fuel consumption of a diesel engine and 30% thermal efficiency of developed engine a saving of about Rs. 52/hr as fuel cost is estimated for an engine of 20 HP capacity.

## BEST PROGRESSIVE FARMER 2012-13



*Conferred by Government of Bihar*



### **Sri Rakesh Kumar**

Vill: Sohdiha  
Block: Biharsharif  
Dist.: Nalanda  
Contact No.: 09234337444

**S**ri Rakesh kumar, a vegetable producer having area of 2 ha. land under vegetable cultivation. He grows potato, onion, cauliflower, bitter gourd etc traditionally. After interaction and trainings through KVK he adopted relay and inter cropping. He also started using vermi compost. He made SHERE BIHAR FARMERS GROUPS and started organic based farming in 20 acre in 2007 and now covered 200 ha. Land under organic vegetable production. So he could get potato, onion, chilli, cauliflower, bitter gourd, radish etc, i.e. 2-3 crop per piece of land per season. Concept of organic with relay and intercropping could fetch more demand in market and more value of his product. Now his earning enhanced from Rs. 0.8 – 1.0 lakh to 2.5 – 3.0 lakh from per acre of land. He also developed Bamboo made store house for potato and onion so could get good price in off season market.

## BEST FARM ENTREPRENEUR 2012-13



*Conferred by Government of Bihar*



### **Smt. Madhu Patel**

Vill: Gajenderbigha  
P.O.: Hilsa  
Block: Hilsa  
Dist.: Nalanda  
Contact No.: 09386301605

**S**mt. Madhu Patel started production of mushroom on large scale by importing mushroom from Solan and New Delhi. With the financial assistance from ATMA, Nalanda she established a mushroom spawn laboratory at Rajgir. Around 100 kg spawn is produced daily from her laboratory to ensure availability of spawn in local area with better price. Major amount of spawn and mushroom produced in the laboratory were procured by the government and provided to the different self help groups of the district. The mushrooms are supplied to the Govt. Primary school, Sainik school, Jail and other places where mushroom is now included in the menus of their daily meals. Presently her earning is approximately Rs. 1.50 - 1.75 lakh per year from this enterprise. She is having around 10000 numbers of SHGs and all the members are now engaged to cultivate mushroom. A programme namely "Ujjawal Bihar" is run by Smt. Patel which encourages farmers particularly women farmers for mushroom cultivation.