



VISVA-BHARATI

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Announcement cum Invitation
Three-Day National Workshop on
APPLICATION OF INDIAN KNOWLEDGE SYSTEMS
FOR SUSTAINABLE LIVESTOCK FARMING
December 17–19, 2025



Organized by

Department of Animal Science
Palli-Siksha Bhavana (Institute of Agriculture)
Visva-Bharati, Sriniketan
Bolpur, West Bengal, India - 731236

WHO CAN APPLY?

- Students and Research Scholars
- Progressive Livestock Farmers
- Para-veterinary Workers



REGISTRATION

Registration fee: **Free**

Please click on the following link or scan QR code for
<https://forms.gle/sWJe3bW2NxQGEEqo6>

LAST DATE OF REGISTRATION : 12-12-2025

Enrollment Limited to 30 Participants Only
No accommodation will be provided for the participants

VENUE

Dairy and Poultry Farm, Palli-Siksha Bhavana
Visva-Bharati, Sriniketan, West Bengal - 731236

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Chairman

Prof. Binoy Kumar Saren

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Palli-Siksha Bhavana, Visva-Bharati

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Dr. Rebeka Sinha

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Dr. Digvijay Singh Dhakre

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TOPICS

- Ethno-veterinary medicine (EVM) for sustainable livestock farming
- Traditional feeding and fodder systems for livestock farming
- Native breed conservation and indigenous livestock breeds
- Natural livestock housing and ethno-architecture
- Sustainable manure management: panchagavya, vermi compost, and traditional bio-digesters
- Climate-resilient livestock management
- Policy and legal frameworks: GI tagging, benefit-sharing of traditional knowledge, NLM schemes

ABOUT THE WORKSHOP

This 3-day workshop focuses on reviving and integrating Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) in livestock management by bringing together farmers, practitioners, academicians, and veterinarians. It highlights the value of indigenous livestock practices—from ethnoveterinary medicine and traditional feeding systems to climate-resilient management and conservation of native breeds. The program combines expert lectures with hands-on training, live demonstrations, farm visits, and case studies. Targeting approximately 30 participants, the workshop aims to enhance awareness, promote sustainable and low-cost practices, encourage the documentation of traditional knowledge, and foster synergy between traditional wisdom and modern animal husbandry.

LOCATION AND CLIMATE

Visva-Bharati is situated in rural West Bengal, about 160 km from Kolkata. The nearest railway station is Bolpur (Santiniketan), located 5 km from the campus, with trains taking approximately two hours to reach from Kolkata. The nearest airport is in Kolkata. December weather is mildly cool and comfortable, with temperatures ranging from a low of around 11-13°C (51-55°F) to a high of 26-27°C (79-81°F)

ABOUT PALLI-SIKSHA BHAVANA

Palli-Siksha Bhavana (Institute of Agriculture), established in 1963, offers undergraduate (B.Sc. Ag.) and postgraduate (M.Sc. Ag.) programmes across major agricultural disciplines, along with Ph.D. research facilities. The institute integrates teaching, research, and extensive agricultural extension activities. Key academic components include RAWE and Experiential Learning. It is supported by farms, laboratories, library, RKVK, and a Placement Cell, with limited hostel accommodation available.

ABOUT VISVA-BHARATI

Visva-Bharati, founded by Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore in 1921, stands as a timeless symbol of his vision of holistic learning and cultural harmony. Recognised as a Central University of national importance in 1951, it holds a unique place in India's academic landscape. Adding to its global prestige, Visva-Bharati was inscribed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2023.

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