



01 day Workshop of NAAS-PAAS on "Women and Youth-led Agri-innovations and Enterprises"

Jointly Organised by

**Indian Mycological Society
Kolkata**

**College of Agriculture
(Extended Campus)
UBKV, Majhian**

**IQAC, Balurghat
Mahila Mahavidyalaya**

Venue COA, UBKV, Majhian

Date August 25, 2026

In collaboration with
**National Academy of
Agricultural Sciences
(Kolkata Regional Chapter)**

About the Workshop

As we navigate through this current year 2026, our global food systems face unprecedented challenges, from climate shifts to resource scarcity. In response, the United Nations has designated this year as the “**International Year of the Woman Farmer.**” In India, the National Academy of Agricultural Sciences (NAAS) has officially designated “**Women and Youth-Led Agri-innovations and Enterprises**” as the central theme for the year 2026. Agriculture is no longer just about traditional farming in the fields. It has evolved into a dynamic arena of modern business, bio-innovations, and deep-tech solutions, offering a structural bridge from back-breaking field labour to executive ownership of sustainable agri-enterprises for our young farmers. To translate this vision into reality, the National Academy of Agricultural Sciences (NAAS) Kolkata Regional Chapter and the Professional Association of Agricultural Societies (PAAS) are organizing this **one-day workshop on 25th August, 2026**, in collaboration with Indian Mycological Society (IMS), Kolkata, College of Agriculture (Extended Campus), UBKV Majhian, and IQAC, Balurghat Mahila Mahavidyalaya.

The core objectives of this workshop are

- **Promote lucrative bio-enterprises** by training young women in commercial **mushroom cultivation** and the production of low-cost, high-efficiency **bioformulations**.
- **Advance green farming principles** through hands-on guidance in **vermicomposting** and sustainable **waste-to-wealth** conversion methods.
- **Diversify rural livelihoods** by introducing scientific techniques in **Pisciculture** (fish farming) to maximize integrated homestead income.
- **Incubate eco-friendly startups** by teaching eco-conscious value addition, marketing, and the long-term benefits of **green farming** models.
- **Bridge the gap to financial independence** by connecting participants with government subsidies and agri-startup grants tailored for women entrepreneurs.
- This workshop will certainly provide an invaluable opportunity for participants to interact directly with experts, leading scientists, and successful entrepreneurs in this field.

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PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

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| ■ 9.00 am to 10 am | Registration |
| ■ 10.00 am to 11.00 am | Inauguration |
| ■ 11.00 am to 11.30 am | Tea Break |
| ■ 11.30 am to 1.30 pm | Lecture Series |
| ■ 1.30 pm to 2.30 pm | Lunch Break |
| ■ 2.30 pm to 3.30 pm | Demonstration |
| ■ 3.30 pm to 4.00 pm | Poster Presentation |
| ■ 4.00 pm to 5.00 pm | Valedictory |

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