## Government of Tripura Directorate of Information & Cultural Affairs \*\*\*\*\*

## Santirbazar, 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2022 Milk vield and calf rally programme to be held on April 29 in Bokafa RD block

## Animal Resources Development Department will be organizing a milk yield and calf rally programme on April 29 at Betaga JB School ground premises under Bokafa RD Block. To facilitate smooth conduction of calf rally, six members of committee have been formed by the office of the Assistant Director of ARDD.

To increase active participation of farmers in the programme, various activities have been planned such as calf rally, which will be most effective extension activity that will brings farmer from different places to a single platform and showcase their calves, said Assistant Director of ARDD, Santirbazar Dr. Lokesh Das. Such kind of programmes will motivate other farmers too to learn from their peers and thus learning to raise healthy calves. he added.

The main objectives of the programme will be to show demonstration about progeny testing, health care and management practices to get better returns out of animal rearing. A panel of veterinary surgeons will take responsibility of judging all participating calves to select three best calves in each category during the upcoming programmes, said Dr. Lokesh Das.

In the calf rally programme, the experts will also explain the farmers about the best practices to be adopted for ensuring better body growth for their calves and to rear animals with better breed characteristics.

While addressing the media ARDD officials informed that all calves will be subjected to take body measurements and will be administered with a dose of deworming on the spot. The owners of calves having low body weight, poor growth will be advised to ensure timely deworming at specified intervals, monitor growth, improvement of stock generation after generation, balanced feeding, mineral supplementation etc. and use of good feeding practices.

In addition, three prizes in each category will be given as a token incentive for the participation during the events.

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