

Honey Bee Expert Visits Caritas Dinajpur Region

Dr. Hans Polman, a senior expert on Honey Bee, from PUM-The Netherlands visited Honey Beekeeping project at Caritas Dinajpur Region and provided necessary consultancy and training to the bee farmers during November 14-25, 2016. He conducted Training of Trainers (ToT) on **“Honey Beekeeping”** during November 15-21, 2016 where 18 selected bee farmers of Honey Beekeeping project and Caritas staff members participated. The contents of the training were: What is Beekeeping; Life cycle of Bees; Queen Cell management; Identifying the queen and Construction of the beehive; Compositions of honey; Health values of honey; Honey processing, packaging and storing; Bee diseases and treatment; Nectar to Honey and wax handling/manufacturing of wax; Honey extraction; Introducing the Hive tools etc. After the training, the expert visited bee farmers' homes in several villages in the project area and advised them how to solve the problems they generally face in honey production.



Dr. Hans Polman, Dr. A. Gaffar Miah and RD-Dinajpur are seen with ToT participants

This visit was organized by Caritas Dinajpur Region with the support of Dr. Abdul Gaffar Miah, the Chairman of Genetics and Animal Breeding Department, Hajee Mohammed Danesh Science and Technology University, Dinajpur. Dr. Gaffar is the local representative of PUM from the Northern part of Bangladesh. The participants were very much benefited and got much motivation and enthusiasm to deal with the honey cultivation in the area.