

Workshop Report: Agripreneurship, its Potential in the Milieu of Rural Development



Introduction On 11th August 2022, a workshop on Agripreneurship was organized by the University of Science & Technology (USTM) in collaboration with Haji Anfar Ali College (HAAC), in association with the National Service Scheme (NSS) Cell, USTM. The workshop was held at Haji Anfar Ali College, and was a part of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between USTM and HAAC. The workshop aimed to explore the potential of Agripreneurship in rural development and to encourage local entrepreneurs to take advantage of various agricultural products for market benefit.

Session 1: Inaugural Address The workshop was inaugurated by Dr. Mamun Azam Barbhuiya, the Principal of Haji Anfar Ali College. In his address, Dr. Barbhuiya highlighted the importance of Agripreneurship in rural development and the need to work together to promote it. He emphasized that the workshop would provide a platform for local entrepreneurs to learn about the potential of Agripreneurship and to network with experts in the field.



Session 2: Technical Session The technical session was conducted by Dr. Papiya Dutta, Assistant Professor, Department of Rural Development, USTM. She spoke on various agricultural products and their potential for market benefit. Dr. Dutta also discussed the challenges faced by local entrepreneurs in rural areas and suggested ways to overcome them. The session was interactive, with participants asking questions and sharing their experiences.

Session 3: Group Discussion The third session of the workshop was a group discussion. The participants were divided into groups and given a specific topic related to Agripreneurship. The groups were asked to discuss the topic and come up with recommendations for promoting Agripreneurship in their respective areas. The discussions were lively, and the participants shared their ideas and experiences.

Session 4: Conclusion and Way Forward The workshop concluded with a summary of the group discussions and the key recommendations. The participants agreed that the workshop was a grand success and expressed their gratitude to USTM, HAAC, and the NSS Cell for organizing it. They also emphasized the need for follow-up activities to ensure that the recommendations are implemented.

Conclusion In conclusion, the workshop on Agripreneurship was a success, with participants gaining valuable insights into the potential of Agripreneurship in rural development. The workshop provided a platform for local entrepreneurs to network and learn from experts in the field. The recommendations from the group discussions will be used to promote Agripreneurship in the respective areas. The organizers, USTM, HAAC, and the NSS Cell, USTM should be commended for their efforts in organizing such a successful workshop.

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