

# 'Roziroti' project launched

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'ROZIROTI', A project that promotes sustainable livelihood, was launched at ICAR Research Complex for Eastern Region, Patna on Tuesday. The project is funded by 'Research Into Use (RIU) under DFID, UK

Addressing a programme, ICAR-RCER Director, Patna, M A Khan said food security, poverty alleviation and employment generation were the main features of the programme.

"The three-year long project will be implemented through 10,000 self-help groups and cover around 2,000 villages of 11 districts of three states - Bihar, UP and MP. Around half a million people will be benefited by this project," said the chief guest of the programme, Dr Frances Kimmins. Kimmins is associated with RIU. The participants, who attended the programme, came from different parts of the country and abroad.

Another leading partner of the project, Dr John Gaunt, Director, GY Associate, UK, presented a detailed account of the project. Chief General Manager of National Bank for



The *Roziroti* project being launched in Patna on Tuesday.

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Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) Sandeep Ghosh presented various agriculture related schemes beneficial for rural people of the state.

"The programme is very important for the development of the state. But, availability of credit, better rural services, improved agricultural technology and inputs were necessary to achieve desired results," said Director General (BIPARD), G S

Dutt.

He was the chief guest of the programme. Two books were also released on the occasion. Director CPSL Sunil Chaudhry, several women from rural areas, farmers and scientists were present on the occasion.

Dr S S Singh, Principal Secretary, Agronomy conducted the programme, while Dr John Best, associated with GYA, proposed a vote of thanks.