

**TRANSFERRING THE AGRICULTURE TECHNOLOGY TO THE SCHEDULE
CAST AND SCHEDULE TRIBES**

The extension wing of the Institute has organised several training programmes on Mushroom cultivation and intensive poultry farming exclusively for tribals in Nicobar district. Demonstration units were established in the tribal areas of Car Nicobar. The tribals were able to utilise the training facilities offered by the Institute and have successfully adopted the technologies.

From one local bird known as Nicobar fowl available in the Nicobar District a new breed Nicobari fowl has been developed after continuous research in genetic improvement which is quite suitable for this island under low management condition. It is suitable for backyard poultry farming. The birds were multiplied through controlled breeding and were distributed throughout the islands. This bird, besides giving higher yield than the local birds, are highly resistant to common poultry diseases. They are becoming popular in these islands.

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