

One day field visit to Duttapukur organised by Department of Botany, Victoria Institution (College)

A field excursion was successfully conducted by Department of Botany, Victoria Institution (College), on 13th December 2025 to Dattapukur, North 24 Parganas, in connection with the Economic Botany syllabus (CCF, 2022). A total of six Students of Semester 3 Botany Major, two students of Semester 3 Botany MDC (CC1/CC2), and 14 students of Semester 5 Minor (M1/M2) reported at Duttapukur Railway Station at 11:00 AM and actively participated in the field visit under the guidance of Mrs. Aditi Dey, Dr. Sudip Kumar Sinha, Dr. Anjan Hazra, and lab attendant Shri Sanjay Seal. During the excursion, students were exposed to practical aspects of economic botany, with special emphasis on the field-level cultivation practices of potato (*Solanum tuberosum*) and mustard (*Brassica* spp.). They gained first hand knowledge regarding land preparation, sowing methods, crop management, irrigation practices etc, which helped them correlate theoretical concepts with real-life applications. The excursion was conducted smoothly and fulfilled its academic objectives by enhancing students' understanding of economically important crop plants and their cultivation practices.



Students observing mustard cultivation



Students observing potato cultivation



Students with teachers at the field visit