

## Seminar on

### Commercialization of Agricultural Technologies and Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)

Development of the Sciences, Commercialization of the Technology led Innovations has been approaches to the frontier at the local and globally. It brings the issue on the Intellectual Property Rights with the expanding competition in the national and global agribusiness arena.

Considering the importance of the concern and growing interest of our stakeholders, Krishi Gobeshona Foundation (KGF) arranged a seminar on **Commercialization of Agricultural Technologies and Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)** on 28 January 2019 at the BARC Conference Room, Farmgate Dhaka



Guest of the Seminar



Audience of the Seminar

A good number of Scientists, Head of the Organizations, Extension Service Providers, University Professors, Principal Investigators of the KGF Projects, BARC Member Directors, KGF Experts and others were present in the seminar.

Mr. Md. Sanowar Hossain, Registrar (Additional Secretary), Department of Patents, Designs and Trademarks, Ministry of Industries presented a paper in the seminar as the resource speaker

Mr. Md. Sanowar Hossain discussed the patent process, geographical indication process in Bangladesh; international patent system, designs and international trade mark system and Trade registration in Bangladesh on the innovations in agricultural research and development. He mentioned that Government of Bangladesh joined the World Intellectual Property Organization and the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property. In 1989 the Patent Office and the Trademarks Registry were joined together. In 2004 the Department of Patents, Designs and Trademarks was established in its present form by the Ministry of Establishment. It approves Geographical indication for products in Bangladesh. It has experienced difficulty coordinating efforts with the Bangladesh Copyright Office.

Dr. Md. Abdur Rouf, Additional Secretary (PPC), Ministry of Agriculture, Government of Bangladesh attended the seminar as the Chief Guest. Dr. Wais Kabir, Executive Director, KGF presided and facilitated the seminar.