

Son of Farmer Wants to Advance Animal Husbandry Industry

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Deny Hermawan is one new student who receives the government Bidik misi scholarship this year. He has been accepted at Animal Sciences and Industry study programme of Universitas Gadjah Mada. Met at his home in Gunungan village in Wonogiri regency, Central Java, recently, he said he had not expected to get accepted at UGM and to study there for free.

Deny is a student who has always learned hard to get good grades. He represented his schools for competitions. For once he even received the Smart Indonesia scholarship for his studies.

His father, Suwarno, makes a living as a farmer who cultivates the crops belonging to one relative. Sometimes, as they money he receives is barely sufficient, he has to depend on the money sent by his three older children who have earned jobs. He said he admired his youngest son's persistence in pursuing knowledge.

Following the news that he will receive another scholarship, Deny hopes that he would be able to make use of his acquired knowledge later to help his parents. He also wants to advance the animal husbandry industry of Indonesia.

"Presently, we have much of imported meat. I want to encourage the production of local meat. When I graduate one day, I want to develop farming production, particularly in this Gunungan village in

order to be an icon of animal husbandry,” he said.

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