

# UGM Graduate Students Give Training to Breeders

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UGM Graduate School and Association of Graduate Students of Faculty of Animal Sciences UGM mentored Ngudi Mulyo breeders group of Sumberharjo village in Prambanan on Sunday (6/8) as a form of community service to give science and technology knowledge to the residents.

With this activity, the UGM students are expected to interact as well as learn with the community through field cases. The breeders enthusiastically welcomed the event.

"Many benefits can be obtained from this activity. The community service gives understanding to the breeders related to animal husbandry," said breeders chairman, Sutidjo.

Muhsin Al Anas, student team chairman, said the mentoring to the breeders was important to do as an effort to optimise the potential of the village so the breeders can develop the group and animal husbandry in the area.

The students gave training in making feeds, technology for fermented hays processing, cattle health and reproduction consultation, and farming waste management into organic fertilisers.



"The program is planned to run for two months. This program is designed based on the requirement of the breeders group that will run gradually to maximise the transfer of technology to the breeders," said Anas.

Dr. Andriyani Astuti, manager of Graduate Program of the Faculty said the animal husbandry development at the breeders level need to be enhanced as a contribution from animal husbandry experts bearing in mind the local potential that has yet to be optimised.

"This community service programme is expected to be the learning media for the graduate students to improve their hard skills and soft skills when they get to interact with the community," she said.

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