



**Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)
National Agricultural Higher Education Project (NAHEP)
Centre for Advanced Agricultural Science and Technology (CAAST)**

Workshop on

**“Role of Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs) in
Enhancing Farmers’ Income”**

February 12-13, 2020



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Background

Anand Agricultural University has been awarded an ICAR- World bank funded project to establish Centre for Agricultural Market Intelligence. The major objectives of this project include price forecasting and behavior, export competitiveness, evaluation of e-NAM, market institutions and capacity building of faculty, students, farmers and other stakeholders. Experts from country's premium institutes including IIM- Ahmedabad, Institute of Rural Management (IRMA), Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO), Junagadh Agricultural University and National Cooperative Dairy Federation of India (NCDFI) apart from three foreign universities namely Australia's Western Sydney University, The Papua New Guinea University of Technology, and The US Texas Tech University are associated with the project.

About NAHEP- CAAST

Centre for Advanced Agricultural Science and Technology (CAAST) is a student centric subcomponent of the World Bank sponsored National Agricultural Higher Education Project (NAHEP) granted to AAU, Anand to provide a platform for strengthening educational and research activities of post graduate and doctoral students.

About the Workshop

Collectivization of small and marginal farmers into producer organizations has emerged as one of the most effective pathways to address the challenges of agriculture and issues of access to investments, technology, inputs and markets. In this context, the Department of Agriculture and Co-operation, Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India has identified Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs) as the most appropriate institutional form, to mobilize farmers and build their capacity to collectively leverage their production and marketing strength.

Purpose and Objective

The promotion of sustainable FPOs involves comprehensive process including observing legal formalities, developing sound organizational structure, and effective capacity building.

Course Contents

- The role of FPOs in enhancing the farmers' Income
- Financial Inclusion for the FPOs
- FPOs and Rural Transformation

Duration and Venue

This is a two day workshop scheduled to be organized on February 12-13, 2020. The programme will be held at the Auditorium, College of Food Processing Technology and Bio-Energy, AAU, Anand, Gujarat, India.

Eligibility

Masters, Doctoral students and Faculties of concerned disciplines of ICAR accredited SAUs, CAUs, and other UGC recognized universities. Interested candidates are requested to apply through online registration process on or before 5th February, 2020 (Wednesday). Selected candidates will be intimated through email and list of selected candidates will be displayed on website.

Registration & Accommodation

No registration fee is to be paid; the programme is fully sponsored by NAHEP-CAAST. Participants will not be entitled for TA claim. They have to make their own travel arrangements. The participants will be provided free boarding and lodging.

How to Reach

IABMI, Anand Agricultural University, Anand is well connected by rail and road from all parts of the country. The IABMI, AAU, Anand is about 4 km away from Anand Railway station and the bus terminal, and well connected with bus/auto facility.

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Schedule

Date&Day	Time	Topic	Speaker
12-02-2020 Wednesday	09.00 to 10.00	Registration and Breakfast	
	10.00 to 11.30	The role of FPO in Doubling Farmers' Income (DFI) (Session - I)	Dr. Ashok Dalwai CEO, National Rainfed Area Authority, MoA&FW, GOI
	11.30 to 13.00	The role of FPO in Doubling Farmers' Income (DFI) (Session - II)	
	13.00 to 14.00	Lunch	
	14.00 to 15.30	Financial Inclusion for the Establishment of FPOs (Session - I)	Mr. A. Sankaran Former Consultant (Economic Analyst), MACP, Govt. of Maharashtra
	15.30 to 15.45	Tea Break	
	15.45 to 17.15	Financial Inclusion for the Establishment of FPOs (Session- II)	
19.00 to 20.00	Dinner		
13-02-2020 Thursday	09.00 to 10.00	Breakfast	
	10.00 to 11.30	Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs) the way of Rural Transformation (Session-I)	Mr. Amit Bhatt District Development Manager, NABARD Anand
	11.15 to 12.45	Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs) the way of Rural Transformation (Session-I)	
	12.45 to 14.00	Lunch	
	14.00 to 15.30	Challenges and Prospects of Co-operatives	Dr. R. S. Pundir PI,NAHEP-CAAST, IABMI, AAU, Anand
	15.30 to 15.45	Tea Break	
	15.45 to 17.15	Valedictory Session and Certificate Distribution	

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