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Travel
and Accommodation

The candidates are eligible for T.A. only for travelling by train to the **maximum of AC II tier** (AC III tier for Rajdhani/Duronto train) fare by the shortest route. If any candidates wish to travel by air, tickets (economy class and least fare) must be booked **only in IRCTC website or through ICAR authorized travel agents (Ashok Travels and Tour/ Balmer Lawrie Tours and Travels)**, however, the TA will be restricted to train fare mentioned above. No TA will be admissible for tickets booked other than above mentioned websites. Participants are required to produce tickets in support of their claim. Lodging and boarding expenses will be made free of cost for all the participants. Accommodation for the CAFT participants provided in the IARI guest houses. **Families will not be allowed with the trainees.** Participants are requested to bring woolen clothes as the normal maximum and minimum temperatures during January and February are from 20°C and 7°C respectively.

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Centre for Advanced Faculty Training (CAFT)
Training Programme on
Innovation-Driven Agribusiness and
Agri-Startups for Sustainable Rural Transformation
12 January – 2 February, 2026

APPLICATION PROFORMA

Full name (block letters):	
Designation:	
Date of birth:	
Sex: Male / Female	
Present employer & address:	
Communication address:	
Phone Nos. Off. /Res.:	
Mobile:	
E-Mail:	
Academic qualification: M.Sc. / Ph.D.	
Discipline:	
Professional experience (Years):	
Title of the project associated with:	
Mention if you have participated in: Summer/ Winter School/Training Course under ICAR/other organization in the last 5 years:	

It is certified that the information furnished by me is correct.

Signature of the applicant

Recommendation of the forwarding Institution

Dr./Shri/Ms..... is here by nominated for participation in the 21- days training Course at Division of Agricultural Economics, ICAR- Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi during 12th January to 02nd February 2026.

Signature, Designation,
Address of the Sponsoring Authority

(Office seal)



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Organized by
Division of Agricultural Economics
ICAR-IARI, New Delhi-110 012

CAFT Director : Dr. Alka Singh
Course Coordinator : Dr. Balasubramanian M.
Course Co-Coordinaors : Dr. Nithyashree M. L.
Dr. Kingsly I. T.

About the IARI

The Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI), commonly known as the 'Pusa Institute', is India's leading premier institution of excellence in agricultural research, education, extension, and human resource development. In 1958, IARI was granted the status of a "Deemed University" under Section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956, positioning it at the forefront of the national agricultural system. The Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI) has a rich legacy of excellence of more than 118 years in research, teaching and extension. The growth of India's agriculture during the past more than 100 years is closely linked with the research done and technologies generated by the Institute. The Green Revolution stemmed from the fields of IARI. IARI has mandate to provide national leadership in agricultural research, extension, and technology assessment and transfer by developing new concepts and approaches and serving as a national referral point for quality and standards. IARI provides postgraduate teaching to both national and international students while fostering capacity building for faculty, entrepreneurs, farmers, and students within and beyond NAREES.

About the Division

The ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI) is the country's premier institution for agricultural research, education and extension. The Division of Agricultural Economics, a constituent of School of Social Sciences of IARI, was established in 1960. The mandate of the Division is to conduct research in frontier areas and serve as a centre for academic excellence in post-graduate education. Since its inception, the Division has been making contributions in basic and applied research with significant implications for agricultural policy. Since 1995, it is functioning as an ICAR Centre of Advanced Studies in Agricultural Economics with capacity strengthening for agricultural economics and policy research in the National Agricultural Research System. So far 34 CAFT programs, covering a wide array of topics under economics, econometrics, impact assessment and advances in agricultural policy research have been conducted.

Training programme

The 21-day training programme is structured around eight interrelated thematic areas that collectively aim to foster innovation, entrepreneurship, and sustainability in Indian agriculture. Each theme addresses a critical dimension of agribusiness development — from innovation, technology adoption, and policy frameworks to market integration, value addition, and inclusive entrepreneurship. Together, these themes seek to build the knowledge, skills, and ecosystem linkages necessary for promoting agri-startups, rural enterprises, and sustainable rural transformation in alignment with national priorities such as Viksit Bharat @2047, Atmanirbhar Bharat, and the Digital Agriculture Mission.

Key areas of focus

- Advancing agri-innovation and technology frontiers for strengthening agri-startup and entrepreneurial ecosystem development
- Strengthening agri-food value chains and market linkages for value addition and rural prosperity
- Policy, institutional, and financial frameworks for advancing agri-innovation
- Digital transformation and climate-resilient agribusiness models for sustainable development
- Empowering women and youth in agribusiness through entrepreneurial case studies and success stories
- Promoting agripreneurship through market linkages, trade integration, and export opportunities
- Farm and non-farm linkages for enhancing competitiveness, production, and sustainable rural transformation
- Business analytics and statistical tools for agri-startups and sustainable development

Participants Eligibility

Faculty and researchers in Agricultural Economics/ Dairy Economics/ Fisheries Economics/ Agricultural Extension/ Agricultural Statistics and related disciplines of social sciences of ICAR institutes, State Agricultural Universities including private ICAR- accredited Colleges/ Universities are eligible to apply for the training program. The candidate must possess a Masters' degree in the relevant disciplines and should be working not below the rank of a Scientist or Assistant professor.

Preference will be given to the candidates working in the area related to the theme of training and having basic knowledge of computers.

How to Apply

The participant should fill the application in Google form in the link provided below. After securing approval from the institution candidates may proceed to pay the non-refundable registration fee as per the following details:

- Rs. 1,000/- per participant (for Government/ ICAR Institutes/ SAUs)
- Rs. 5,000/- per participant (for candidates from private ICAR- accredited Colleges/Universities)

The registration fee must be paid online using the bank details provided. A scanned copy of the online transaction receipt and the approved application form should be uploaded through the Google link provided or sent via email to **cafteco2025@gmail.com** on or before 20.12.2025.

Registration link

Click below

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSck-FKonAlkdi44EWuCzFr5CfFHccDgkvLEF-NGJYx6SvxwXg/viewform?usp=header>.

Last date for receipt of application
20.12.2025