



1st Ever 2-Days “Capacity Building Training for FPO Functionaries”

(5 Lead Training Sessions & 3 Exposure Visits)

FABULOUS Friday & SOOTHING Saturday
August 21 & 22, 2026
9:00 am to 5:30 pm



Chief Guest
Dr. Timur R. Ahlawat
Director of Research & Dean-PGS
Chairman of University FPO Cell
Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari



Patron & President
Dr. Rajendra M. Naik
Hon'ble Vice Chancellor
Navsari Agricultural University,
Navsari



Training Convener
Dr. Hemant R. Sharma
Director of Extension Education
Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari

Top Trio of Training Directors



Dr. Mehul G. Thakkar
Course Co-Director of PGC-FPO
Professor & Head in HRM
AABMI, NAU, Navsari



Dr. Swati S. Sharma
Course Director of PGC-FPO
Professor & Head in ABM
AABMI, NAU, Navsari



Dr. Jwalant N. Zala
Asst. Extension Educationist
Sardar Smruti Kendra – SSK
NAU, Navsari

Top Trio of Training Coordinators

Dr. Kiran N. Patel
Course Coordinator of PGC-FPO
Asst. Professor in ABM
AABMI, NAU, Navsari

Shri Narendrasinh R. Zala
Project Coordinator
Buniyadi Oil Seeds FPO Ltd., Palitana

Shri Laljibhai A. Solanki
Chairman
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**Commercialization of
NAU's Technologies
through FPOs**

Dr. Jayesh J. Pastagia

**Professor & Head – Dept. of Entomology @ NMCA
Principal @ AABMI**

Navsari Agricultural University (NAU), Navsari

- 36 Years Teaching Experience
- Rich Experience of Administration in various Positions
- Celebrated Entrepreneurship, Startups & FPO Trainer
- Proven Experience & Expertise in Entomology
- Pioneer of "Bee Keeping & Apiculture Research" in Gujarat
- Extensive Experience and Proven Track Record of Teaching, Research, Extension and Administration



**Strengthening FPOs
through Value Chain
Management**

Dr. Swati S. Sharma

**Professor & Head – Dept. of
Agribusiness Eco. & Finance @ AABMI**

Navsari Agricultural University (NAU), Navsari

- 17 Years Teaching Experience & 6 Months Industry Experience
- Celebrated Entrepreneurship, Startups & FPO Trainer
- Proven Experience & Expertise in Agribusiness Management, FPO and QMS
- Delivered 150+ Agribusiness Expert Talks in Renowned HEIs including NIFTM-Sonipat & NIAM-Jaipur



**Promoting
Natural Farming
through FPOs**

Dr. Jwalant N. Zala

**Asst. Extension Educationist – Sardar Smruti Kendra (SSK)
Exposure Visit Coordinator**

Navsari Agricultural University (NAU), Navsari

- 15 Years Rich Experience in Extension
- Proven Experience & Expertise in Coordinating Farmers' Exposure Visit, Field Visits & Training Management
- Skilled in Office Administration, Natural Farming, Farmer Interaction & Capacity Building



**Professional
Management Practices
for FPOs**

Dr. Mehul G. Thakkar

**Professor & Head – Dept. of OB & HRM @ AABMI
Navsari Agricultural University (NAU), Navsari**

- 23 Years Teaching Experience & 1.3 Years Industry Experience
- Celebrated HRD, Entrepreneurship & Startups, Value Education & FPO Trainer
- Proven Experience & Expertise in Training & Development, Employability Enhancement and Counselling-Mentoring
- Conducted 1900+ Training Programmes, Trained 12+ Lakh People and Contributed to 950+ Organizations across 29 States of India & 11 Other Countries



**Market Linkage &
Value Addition
for FPOs**

Shri Vishal R. Bhimani

Chief Executive Officer

SAMP India Consortium of FPCL, Ahmedabad

- Result Driven Agribusiness Professional with 8+ Years Experience
- Promoted 120+ FPOs
- Proven Experience & Expertise in Formation, Development and Functioning of FPOs
- Skilled in PLC Management, Policy Advocacy & Capacity Building



3 Enriching Exposure Visits on August 22, 2026

Join positively latest by 8:50 am, as action will begin from 9:00 am sharp...