

POST GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN FARMER PRODUCER ORGANISATION (PGC-FPO)



1st Ever Time in India - Pioneering Unique Course Offered by

ICAR Accredited

**ASPEE Agribusiness Management Institute
Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari, Gujarat**

Key Highlights of the Course:

- Access to Top Notch Experts from Industry & Academia
- Cost Effective Result Driven Curriculum
- Leveraging on Maximum Convergence of Policies and Schemes
- Batch Size of 35 for personalized attention
- Duration of Six Months
- Strong Focus on Capacity Building
- Case Studies, Field Visits and Project Work
- Facilitate networking with professionals



Navsari Agricultural University at a Glance :

Commencing with a college of agriculture established in 1965; our Navsari Agricultural University (NAU) presently runs 14 Colleges (8 Degree Colleges and 6 Polytechnics) imparting 3 Diploma, 5 UG, 27 PG and 21 Doctoral Degree Programmes in the Faculty of Agriculture, Horticulture, Forestry, Agribusiness Management, Agricultural Engineering and Biotechnology. All the eight constituent colleges of NAU, Navsari are accredited by “National Agricultural Education Accreditation Board” of ICAR, New Delhi. As per the “Ranking of Agricultural Universities” conducted by ICAR, the NAU, Navsari was ranked XXII (2016), IX (2017), XIV (2018), XLII (2019) XXXI (2020) during the last five years. Moreover, NAU was also bestowed with the 5 Star rating by Government of Gujarat under GSIRF ranking in 2024. Another unique feature of this university is that it imparts vocational education and training to rural youths through Short Term Certificate Courses in FPO, Agriculture, Horticulture, Livestock Inspection, Animal Husbandry, Bakery, Landscaping & Gardening, Photography, Turf Grass Management, Bakery and Gardner training centres. Further, there are 25 Research Centres at 15 locations to carry out need based fundamental, applied and verification research on mandate crops viz., paddy, sugarcane, cotton, sorghum, small millets, mango, banana, sapota and vegetables.

ASPEE Agribusiness Management Institute at a Glance:



Our **ASPEE Agribusiness Management Institute (AABMI)**; duly accredited by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), New Delhi was established in **2007**. At AABMI, the prime motto is to nurture trained human resources for the development of Agribusiness sector. Placed amidst the splendid natural environment and in the heart of the lush green NAU campus, the institute facilities are established to match the global standards of education with distant vision. It has state-of-the-art

infrastructure with ergonomically designed classrooms equipped with modern teaching aids, computer lab, seminar hall, conference hall, counselling corner and reading room. Along with the flagship PG programme of **2 Years Full Time MBA (Agribusiness Management)** since **2007**, the institute is also offering **3 Years Full Time Doctoral Degree Programme – Ph. D. (Agribusiness Management)** since **2017**. Recently, the institute has also started offering **6 Months PG Certificate Course in FPO in hybrid mode since 2024**. The institute has also been selected as the “**Nodal Training Institute under Agri-Clinics and Agribusiness Centre (AC&ABC) Scheme**” since **2021** by **MANAGE, Hyderabad** - an apex level autonomous organization under Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Govt. of India.



Objectives of the Course :

- Create in-depth understanding of conceptual base of FPO among the inquisitive learners and other stakeholders of the system for its effective implementation.
- Develop competent human resources for cluster based agribusiness approach through FPOs.



Course Structure :

- **Understanding the Agribusiness Ecosystem of the FPOs**
- **Concept and Governance of FPOs**
- **Resources Planning for Business Development of FPOs**
- **Marketing and Market Linkages for the FPOs**
- **Financial Management for FPOs**
- **Field Visits and Project Work**



Scope of the Course :



The PGC-FPO will offer a diverse and dynamic scope that combines agricultural knowledge, entrepreneurial skills, and community development. It will equip individuals with comprehensive knowledge about FPOs and their role in the agricultural sector and will prepare graduates to initiate and manage FPOs, fostering entrepreneurship and self-reliance in rural communities.

They will acquire skills in business planning, financial management, and tailored agricultural marketing strategies. This course will open doors to various career opportunities, including policy advocacy, agricultural research, and innovation. Graduates can contribute significantly to sustainable agriculture and rural development, positively impacting farming communities. It is an excellent choice for those passionate about making a difference in the agricultural sector.

Course Pedagogy

- **Interactive Sessions of Seasoned Professionals from Industry and Academia**
- **Discussion Oriented Learning**
- **Reflection and Introspection**
- **Field Visits**
- **Project Work**
- **Exclusive Webinars**



APPLICATION FEE: Rs. 500/-

COURSE FEE: Rs. 3500/-

Eligibility Criteria :

Graduate/Post Graduate in Agriculture & Allied subjects; Bachelor in Science/Rural Studies/Commerce/Business Management from the ICAR/UGC recognized university.



Selection Procedure :

Applications will be scrutinized purely on merit basis i.e. marks obtained in the graduation level. Preference will be given to the candidates having Graduate/Post Graduate in Agriculture & Allied subjects. In case of vacant seats, candidates with Bachelor Degree in Science/Rural Studies/Commerce/Business Management will be considered for admission.



Reservation of Seats : Reservation of seats shall be as per the roster prescribed by Government of Gujarat from time-to-time.

Medium of Instruction : The medium of instruction shall be **ENGLISH** only.

Mode of Instruction : Hybrid Learning Mode

Duration of the Course : 6 Months (December, 2025 to May, 2026)

Application Procedure :

Interested and eligible candidates are required to send the hard copy of the duly filled Application Form along with self attested copies of all the documents to the Course Chairman by Post. It should be accompanied with Application Fee Payment Receipt of Rs. 500. **Advance Copy of the Application may be sent by email to the official email id: pgcfpoaabmi@nau.in**

Account details for Online Payment is as under:

Name of the Bank & Branch	: SBI, NAU Campus Branch
Account No.	: 33314111101
Account Holder's Name	: DRAWING AND DISBURSING OFFICER (DDO) ASPEE AGRI. MGMT INST
IFSC Code	: SBIN0003889

Key Dates :

- Announcement and Display of Admission Flyer: **October 10, 2025**
- Last Date of Application: **November 10, 2025**
- Intimation of Selection to the Participants through email and Display of List of Selected Candidates on www.nau.in: **November 15, 2025**
- Payment of Course Fee and Confirmation of Participants: **November 25, 2025**

For any queries, feel free to get in touch with any of the following Course Committee Member :



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Application Form

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1.	Full Name of the Candidate (in block letters):	Latest Colour Passport Size Photograph																									
2.	Correspondence Address:																										
3.	Permanent Address:																										
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7.	Gender: Male / Female:																										
8.	Category: SC/ST/OBC/EWS/PwD/General																										
9.	Payment Details (Application Fee Rs. 500/-): Transaction ID: _____ Date of transaction: _____																										
10.	Academic Qualifications (10 th – SSC onwards)																										
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(Enclose self-attested copies of proof of Date of Birth and Academic Qualifications along with Application Fee Deposit of Rs. 500).

I hereby declare that all the information given above are correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of applicant

Date:

Place: