

The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) added a new dimension to agricultural research in India by launching National Agricultural Research Project (NARP) in 1979 with World Bank assistance to strengthen the research capabilities of the State Agricultural Universities (SAUs) to conduct need-based, location-specific and production-oriented research.

National Agricultural Research Project was established at Bharuch in the year 1982. The centre is located in Agro Climatic Zone-II and Agro-Ecological Situations five. The soils of this centre are black type and cultivation is done as rainfed. Pigeon pea is one of the main crops of the country and Bharuch District. NARP, Bharuch mainly deals with the research activities in concern to pigeon pea crop and also provide seeds to the farmers approaching the centre. The centre also carries out the research trails proposed by ICAR as voluntary centre.

NARP, Bharuch office and farm is located at 21.71'N and 73.01'E which is approx. 3 km away from Bharuch Railway Station and approx. 3 km away from Zadeshwar Chokdi on National Highway-48.