

Tools and techniques of Planning, Monitoring, Evaluation and Impact Assessment of Extension Programmes

BACKGROUND

For developing and emerging economies, sustainable development is dependent on establishing and supporting research and extension institutions that not only perform good science, but also effectively share their knowledge and technology outputs. Both the extent to which a return on an investment is realized from research and extension activities and the magnitude of the resulting impact on intended beneficiaries are important to funders, policy-makers, taxpayers, government officials, development agencies, and the research institutions themselves. This programme may provide guidance on building organizational capacity to plan, monitor, evaluate, and assess the impact of Extension programmes.

Global consultation on agricultural extension observed that monitoring and evaluation are important, yet frequently neglected functions in most organizations. Because these units may concentrate on problems, exposing weakness and failures. Instead, monitoring and evaluation should be used in a positive manner to improve extension performance and increase its efficiency. Therefore attitudes about the use of M&E must be used to change, if this capacity is to be used to advantage in strengthening extension's performance and impact.

Monitoring and evaluation are described as the eyes and ears of the project management. They help in achieving the desired goal through an appropriately designed project or programme. They are the management tools for getting feedback information for effective management decisions. This process when properly planned and executed contributes significantly for

effective extension. There are many possibilities of integration of these issues for the overall Agricultural and rural development. Considering these broad issues, a winter school on "Tools and techniques of Planning, Monitoring, Evaluation and Impact Assessment of Extension Programmes "

has been proposed and approved by the ICAR to be conducted at C. P. College of Agriculture, S. D. Agricultural University, Sardarkrushinagar 385 506, District- Banaskantha (Gujarat).

OBJECTIVE

The objective of the proposed training course is to create a best platform to provide an exposure to the candidates for sensitizing regarding planning monitoring and evaluation of extension programmes. Multidisciplinary Researchers/ Scientists/Extension officials will gain knowledge and skills in understanding the concepts of planning, monitoring and evaluation of extension programmes to develop an understanding that how best these tools can be used as an integral part of Agricultural Extension.

ABOUT THE COURSE

The course includes theory lectures as well as practical classes including participants' exposure to the Cooperative unions, NGOs, progressive farmers' field. It will also provide an opportunity to the participants to interact with the subject matter specialists and fellow workers from different parts of the country and update the participants with the latest information in the related fields.

- Concept of Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation
- Tools and techniques of evaluation
- Statistical software
- Impact assessment of Extension programmes

ABOUT THE VENUE

Sardarkrushinagar Dantiwada Agricultural University (SDAU) is located at Sardarkrushinagar in Banaskantha district of Gujarat state. C P. College of Agriculture was established in 1982 and it was the first institute for agricultural education in North Gujarat. The college is committed to achieve excellence in education, research and extension in agriculture and enjoys the pride of being work place of many luminaries. The campus is located near Dantiwada dam at a distance of 27 km by road from Palanpur. Palanpur is located on Delhi - Ahmadabad via Jaipur railway route, is well connected by express trains with major cities of the country. It is also located on NH-14, connected by direct ST buses from major cities of the state and also with neighboring states. The nearest airport connecting the campus is Ahmadabad at a distance of 145 km. University buses are plying between Palanpur and Sardarkrushinagar from 7.00 am in the morning to late night up to 10.00 pm. The climate of Sardarkrushinagar remains pleasant during month of September as it would be the end of monsoon here.

ELIGIBILITY

Interested Teachers/Extension workers not below the rank of Assistant Professor or equivalent, working in SAUs/ICAR/ KVKs/ Institutes in Extension education and in any other related discipline are eligible to apply. Only, 25 participants will be selected for the course as per ICAR guidelines. The decision of the selection committee will be final and no correspondence in this regard will be entertained.

TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

The participants will be reimbursed to and from travel fare by shortest rail (AC II tier) / road route as per ICAR norms on production of valid travel documents. Outstation participants will be provided free boarding and lodging. Please note that no accommodation will be provided to family members.

HOW TO APPLY

Application for the participation in the course may be sent in the following form through proper channel to the Course Director at the address given below. Applications not forwarded through proper channel will not be considered. An advance copy may be sent by email/ post but it will be considered for final selection only after receipt of the original copy. A Postal Order / DD of Rs. 50/- (non refundable) drawn in favour of the "Course Director, Winter School" payable at Sardarkrushinagar must be sent along with the application. Last date of the receipt of the application is 20.08.2015. Selected candidates will be intimated through email/fax or by post to which they should reply with firm acceptance immediately.

IMPORTANT DATES

Last date for apply: 31 July, 2015
Notification for selection: August 10, 2015

All correspondence may kindly be addressed to:

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Application form for participation in winter school on

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1. Full Name:.....
2. Designation:.....
3. Present employer and address:.....
4. Address to which reply should be sent:.....
E-mail:.....
Mobile No. Phone.....
5. Permanent address:.....
6. Date of birth (DD/MM/YY):.....
7. Sex: Male/Female:.....
8. Teaching/research/professional experiences: (mention post held during the last 5 years)

Sr.No	Post held with address	Period with dates

9. Publications (Number of papers published in referred journals as main author):
10. Mention if you have participated in any research seminar, Summer/Winter School/ Short course, etc. during the previous years under ICAR/ other organization:
11. I.P.O./D.D. No.Dated.....of Rs. 50/- (Non refundable) for registration of application. (In favour of Course Director, winter School, C.P.College of Agriculture, Sardarkrushinagar).
12. Academic records: (Degree onward)

Sr. No	Name of examination	Year of passing	University	Div./ Grade
1	Under Graduate			
2	Post Graduate			
3	Ph.D.			
4	Others			

Place:

Date:

Signature of the Applicant

Certificate

The information furnished is verified and found correct

Permitted/not permitted

Signature with date, designation of the sponsoring authority (Office seal)

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