

National Agricultural Higher Education Project

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What is NAHEP?

National Agricultural Higher Education Project (NAHEP) was launched by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) to attract talent and strengthen higher agricultural education in the country

Key highlights of the project

The project is proposed on **50:50 cost sharing basis** between the **World Bank and the Government of India**, implemented at the Education Division, ICAR, New Delhi.

Duration of the project is five years starting from 2017-18

NAHEP project **aims to develop resources and mechanism for supporting infrastructure, faculty and student advancement**, and providing means for better governance and management of agricultural universities, so that a holistic model can be developed to raise the standard of current agricultural education system that provides more jobs and is entrepreneurship oriented and on par with the global agriculture education standards.

Beneficiaries of the project

The project would benefit all the Agricultural Universities (AUs), i.e. 63 State Agricultural Universities modelled on the US Land Grant University pattern, 5 Deemed to be Universities (DUs), three Central Agricultural University (CAUs) and four Central Universities (CUs) with Agriculture Faculty.

Components of the project

1. Support to Agricultural Universities: It has the following three components
 1. Investments toward 21st Century Agricultural Universities through Institutional Development Plan (IDP)
 2. Investments in Centres for Advanced Agricultural Science and Technology (CAAST)
 3. ICAR innovation grants to AUs
2. Investments in ICAR for Leadership in Agricultural Higher Education.
 1. Investments in ICAR to support excellence in AUs
3. Project Management and Learning