DIPLOA IN AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICES FOR INPUT DE ALERS (DAESI) DIRECTOR (IDEA)

AAU, ANAND (GUJARAT)

Distance Education mode will be adopted with class room interactions and field visits on every Sunday (market holiday) for 48 Sunday approximately. Supply of study material, using multimedia instructional devices with the help of experts in the field as Resource Persons will be also adopted. As indicated in the HRD Project Report of Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), under Distance Education mode, a Diploma course requires 32 credit hours and each credit hour is equal to 30 hours of the study time of the participant. DAESI programme will cover about 32 credit hours.

Contents and Coverage

- The course is so designed to suit the requirement of input dealers and prospective dealers of 10 +2 standard.
- To make the dealers technically more competent, topics like agro-climatic conditions, soils, soil analysis, land use planning, Integrated Nutrient Management (INM), Integrated Pest Management (IPM) and Farm mechanization etc., will be included in course.
- To improve communication skills, few lectures on Extension education, Extention methods, diffusion and adoption of innovation, Role of Mass media will be dealt.
- To enhance knowledge, few topics on Business Principles, Business Ethics will be taught. General topics like National Integration, Privatization, Liberalization, Globalization, WTO regime etc., will be also covered.
- To make them to discharge regulatory responsibilities enjoined on them, Laws related to Agricultural Inputs, E.C. Act, Consumer Protection Act, Limitation Act, C.P.C., Cr. P.C. etc., will be dealt at length.

Evaluation

The course is evaluated for assessing the performance of the participants as detailed here as under:

- Each candidate has to maintain a practical record book for all the practical classes. A record of drawings and sketches of important insect pests & the damage symptoms caused by them is maintained.
- Six bi-monthly quiz tests of objective in nature will be conducted for evaluating class room Performance
- > Half yearly and annual examination with questions requiring descriptive answering will be conducted.
- > A **final practical examination** consisting of skill demonstration, spotting, viva-voce will be conducted.

Weightages allotted will be as under:

Theory :	Quiz	20 Marks
	Half years	30 Marks
	Annual	50 Marks
	Total	100 Marks
Practical:	Record Book	10 Marks
	Drawings& Sketches	10Marks
	Spotting	10 Marks
	Skill Performance	10 Marks
	viva	10 Marks
	Total	50 Marks

The candidates to qualify the Diploma have to maintain **80% of the attendance** and score 40% of the marks. Candidates who do not qualify shall take up half yearly; annul theory and final practicals with the candidates of subsequent batches so as to qualify for award of Diploma. Candidates who have scored 40-59 % pass class,60-69% second class,70-79 first class and 80% and above 1st Class with distinction.

Eligibility

Dealers - Candidates sponsored by companies and prospective dealers with 10+2 standard qualification.

Duration:	1 year
Course Fee:	Rs.20000/- in lump sum at a time of admission.

NOTE: Admission advertisement will be during month of May every year.(www.aau.in)