

Online Programme on
Post Graduate Diploma in
Agricultural Extension Management
(PGDAEM-MOOCs)

(18th Batch) 2025-2026

(Now PGDAEM-MOOCs is available in Hindi also)



National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management (MANAGE)

(An Autonomous Organization of Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Govt. of India)

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Introduction

National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management established in 1987, is an apex level autonomous institute under the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Government of India. MANAGE is involved in major initiatives towards reorientation and modernization of agricultural extension system, for evolving effective ways of managing the extension system through professional guidance and training of critical manpower. MANAGE offers its services in Training, Consultancy, Management Education, Information Services and Research.

About the Programme

Online Post Graduate Diploma in Agricultural Extension Management (PGDAEM-MOOCs):

The public extension system has a vital and indispensable role in providing extension support to a large population of farmers. The public extension system needs to be strengthened to match the scale and diversity of agriculture. The extension/development functionaries have to be transformed into a vibrant and useful knowledge force to bring about the desired changes in agriculture and allied sectors. The private extension/development functionaries also need to be empowered through capacity building to improve the effectiveness in the extension delivery system.

MANAGE Post Graduate Diploma in Agricultural Extension Management (PGDAEM) was launched in 2007, on a distance mode for the extension functionaries of Agriculture and allied sectors of the Central/State/UT governments, SAUs, KVKs and also for the functionaries working in Agri-business companies and Agri-enterprises, NGOs, Banks, Cooperatives etc. Currently sixteenth batch is in progress.

The PGDAEM (distance education) has received an overwhelming response from public and private sectors both. In order to increase the outreach and cover large number of candidates, MANAGE has launched an alternate PGDAEM-MOOCs program i.e. Post Graduate Diploma in Agricultural Extension Management (PGDAEM-MOOCs) using Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs), an online e-learning platform in the year 2017.

Course Objectives:

The objectives of PGDAEM-MOOCs program are:

- To enhance the techno-managerial competence of the candidate in the field of agricultural extension.
- To acquaint the extension functionaries with the latest developments in the field of agricultural extension
- To equip the candidates with the latest developments in the field of agriculture extension
- To develop an insight into various extension models to enrich the agriculture-value chain

Course Structure and Contents:

The programme has 30 credits and will be offered in two semesters across one year. Each semester has 15 credits. One credit is equivalent to 30 hours of study. The programme will have five courses in the first and four in the second semester, with one assignment in each course. In addition, there will be a project work in the second semester.

It is mandatory to complete all the nine courses, nine assignments and project work during the study period, in order to qualify for the award of the certificate.

Details of the course offered:

Semester - I			Semester - II		
Course No.	Name of the course	Credits	Course No.	Name of the course	Credits
AEM 101	Introduction to Agricultural Extension	(3 Credits)	AEM 201	Rural Sociology	(2 Credits)
AEM 102	Facilitation for Development	(2 Credits)	AEM 202	Farm Business Management	(4 Credits)
AEM 103	Communication for Development	(4 Credits)	AEM 203	Planning for Agricultural Management	(3 Credits)
AEM 104	Gender Mainstreaming for Agricultural Development	(3 Credits)	AEM 204	Extension for Sustainable Agricultural Development	(4 Credits)
AEM 105	Leadership and Management Skills	(3 Credits)	AEM 205	Project work	(2 Credits)

The candidates can go through the course-wise study material, video lectures and PPTs, available online for self-learning. The candidates may refer User Manual to know the details to navigate through the online course.

Eligibility Criteria for enrollment:

- The candidate must possess Bachelor's degree in Agriculture or Allied subjects (OR) Bachelor's degree in any discipline
- The degree must be from any recognized Indian and international University

The degree of Indian candidates must be from any Indian University incorporated by an Act of Central or State Legislature in India or other educational institution established by an Act of Parliament or declared to be deemed University under Section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956.

Age Limit: No age limit

Registration:

A candidate seeking admission to the course must register online in the prescribed application form available on the website

<http://www.manage.gov.in/moocs/pgdaem-moocs.asp>

The candidates are advised to go through the brochure for program details, before registration and abide by the same. The final admission of the candidates to PGDAEM (online), rests on the discretionary authority of the Director General, MANAGE.

Course fee:

The Indian candidates seeking admission to PGDAEM-MOOCs must pay a course fee of Rs 8000 and international candidates USD 200 to MANAGE through RTGS (wire-transfer). Payment of the fees has to be made only after the acceptance of application form by MANAGE.

Confirmation of Admission:

After receiving the course fee, the candidates' final admission will be notified on the website of MANAGE along with the ID Number. Using username and password provided by MANAGE, the candidate can log in and access PGDAEM-MOOCs program.

Assignments:

Submission of assignment for each course (AEM 101 to AEM 105 and AEM 201 to 204) is mandatory to complete the course. The assignment is for 30 marks and a candidate has to secure a minimum of 15 marks to qualify. Please refer to the guidelines in the User Manual.

Project Work:

Project work (AEM 205) is mandatory for completing the course. The project work carries 100 marks and the candidate has to secure a minimum of 50 marks to qualify. Please refer to the guidelines in the User Manual.

Semester-End Examination:

At the end of each semester, there will be an online examination for each course i.e. for Semester-I, there will be an examination for all the five subjects AEM 101 to 105. Similarly, for Semester-II, there will be an examination for all the four subjects-AEM 201 to 204. The examination paper will consist of Objective type questions. Each examination carries maximum 70 marks, out of which, a candidate has to secure a minimum of 35 marks, to qualify.

The guidelines for taking the examination are given in the User Manual.

Evaluation:

Assignments: The assignments submitted by the candidates online will be evaluated by the designated experts on the subject.

Project Work:

The project work submitted by the candidates online will be evaluated by the designated experts on the subject.

Grading System: There is an online examination and the score card will be generated by the computer as per the answer key provided. The candidates scoring 80 percent and above will be awarded distinction and those scoring between 70 to 80 percent will be awarded first class. Candidate scoring 50-70 percent will be awarded as pass and less than 50 percent is fail.

Result: The candidate can access his/her final result on the website:
<http://www.manage.gov.in/moocs/pgdaem-moocs.asp>

Extra Chance for Completing the Course:

Candidates who could not complete the diploma during the first year of registration, will be given one extra year to reappear for the examinations along with the candidates enrolled during the next year for completing the course, on payment of Rs.500 for each course.

Medium of instruction: English and Hindi

Calendar of Activities for PGDAEM-MOOCs

Activity	November Batch	May Batch
Notification About Admission	2 nd of week June	2 nd week of December
Online Registration	July to 16th October	January to March
Verification of Applications & Admission Confirmation/Fee	4 th week October	4 th week April
Course Commences	1 st November	1 st May
Study period	1 st November to September 30 th November to March(1 st Semester) May to September (2 nd Semester)	1 st May to March 31 st May to September(1 st Semester)November to March(2 nd Semester)
Assignment Submission (First week of every month)	December to April (1 st Semester) June to October(2 nd Semester)	June to October(1 st Semester) December to April(2 nd Semester)
Assignment	1st Semester November (2nd week) : AEM-101 December (2nd week) : AEM-102 January (2nd week) : AEM-103 February (2nd week) : AEM-104 March (2nd week) : AEM-105 2nd Semester May(2nd week) : AEM-201 June(2nd week) : AEM-202 July (2nd week) : AEM-203 August(2nd week) : AEM-204	1st Semester May (2nd week) : AEM-101 June (2nd week) : AEM-102 July (2nd week) : AEM-103 August (2nd week) : AEM-104 September (2nd week) : AEM-105 2nd Semester November(2nd week) : AEM-201 December(2nd week) : AEM-202 January(2nd week) : AEM-203 February(2nd week) : AEM-204
Project Report Submission	3 rd week of September - AEM-205	3 rd week of March - AEM-205
Contact Classes	2 nd week of March (1 st Semester) 2 nd week of September (2 nd Semester)	2 nd week of September (1 st Semester) 2 nd week of March (2 nd Semester)
Mock test	1 st week of April (1 st Semester)	1 st week of October (1 st Semester)
First semester Examinations	4 th week of April	4 th week of October
Second Semester examinations	4 th week of October	4 th week of April
Evaluation of Assignments (First week of every month)	December to April(1 st Semester) June to October(2 nd Semester)	June to October(1 st Semester) December to April(2 nd Semester)
Declaration of Results	May 31 st (1 st - Semester) November 30 th (2 nd - Semester)	November 30 th (1 st Semester) May 31 st (2 nd Semester)
Issue of Certificate	2 nd week of June (1 st Semester) 2 nd week of December (2 nd Semester)	2 nd week of December(1 st Semester) 2 nd week of June(2 nd Semester)

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