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# “Agripreneurship: Current Scenario and Future Endeavours”

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Directorate of Research  
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Venue  
Swami Vivekananda Hall, Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari

## **NAHEP-CAAST**

The Centre for Advanced Agricultural Science and Technology (CAAST) is a new initiative and student centric sub-component of World Bank sponsored National Agricultural Higher Education Project (NAHEP) implemented by the Project Implementation Unit, Indian Council of Agricultural Research, New Delhi, India. The Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari, Gujarat was granted a CAAST project on “Establishment of Secondary Agriculture Unit for Skill Development in Students and Farmers at NAU, Navsari” on competitive basis.

## **PRELUDE**

Agriculture has been the backbone of the Indian economy since time immemorial and it is still perceived as a way of life rather than an enterprise in our country. Its contribution in GDP has declined to 14.39% in 2018-19 from 54.19% in 1950-51. Subsistent nature of Indian agriculture is considered to be the primary and potential reason behind this drastic decline and it affects large segment of Indian populace whose employment is directly or indirectly depend on agriculture and allied activity. However, owing to globalisation, depletion of natural resources, climate change, rapid urbanisation, increase in population and consumption patterns agriculture and its allied sectors are going through a phase of transition around the globe. The Indian agriculture has to reorient itself by expanding its scope beyond the limits of mere primary agriculture. In an effort to boost the agriculture sector, the Indian government has set an ambitious goal to double farmers' income by 2022. To achieve this target, there is a need to restructure farming sector, invest heavily in developing infrastructure, increase access to formal credit and formulate agriculture policies in sync with ground realities. Another, important move is to transform conventional agriculture into consumer driven enterprise to make it more viable and sustainable in the longer run. Therefore, inculcating a business sense among farmers and transforming them into successful agriprenuers is the need of the hour. Further, a paradigm shift from agriculture to agriprenuership is indispensable to seize the hidden and unexploited potential of agriculture and allied sector to revitalize Indian agriculture. Thus, a tripartite meeting inclusive of all stakeholders' viz. successful

entrepreneurs, progressive farmers and budding entrepreneur would be convened to deliberate on prevailing state of affairs and future endeavours pertaining to agro-based industry.

### **THEMES**

- Avenues in post-harvest sector for entrepreneurial potential
- Best from the waste for environmental safety and livelihood security
- Non Timber Forest Products (NTFP): A new horizon for secured returns
- New dimensions in dairy farming for sustainable income generation

### **OBJECTIVES**

- o To develop the spirit of agriprenuership among students, youth and farmers
- o Explore the opportunities and potential of secondary agriculture for agriprenuership
- o Practical experience sharing by successful entrepreneurs to budding agripreneurs

### **DURATION:**

The event is a three days residential meet which included interactive lectures, discussions and deliberation regarding agripreneurship

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Undergraduate and postgraduate students from agriculture and allied disciplines from SAUs and farmers are eligible to attend this event. There are 250 seats available in this event which would be distributed as under

- A. Currently enrolled UG/PG students of NAU & other SAUs: 50
- B. Former Students of NAU & other SAUs: 50
- C. Farmers: 150

If Seats remain vacant in category A, they would be filled from category B and vice versa.

- Prior registration is mandatory for participation.
- It is mandatory for former students, if employed in public or private sector to submit NOC from their employer at the time of application.

- Selected CAAST PG students interested in attending this event have to submit their application directly at the Secretariat.

## HOW TO APPLY

Interested candidates can register by submitting the duly filled and signed Registration Form through post/by hand in a sealed cover or by E-mail : [caastnaunavsari@gmail.com](mailto:caastnaunavsari@gmail.com). Application for “**Agriprenuership: Current Scenario and Future Endeavours**” should be mentioned on the cover.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- o **Last date for registration: December 15, 2019**
- o **Date for displaying list of eligible candidates on website: December 20, 2019**
- o **Last date for Conforming participation : December 23, 2019**

## ABOUT NAU

The Navsari Agricultural University campus is located 3 km to the West of Navsari City. The Campus houses various graduates and post graduates colleges in faculties of Agriculture / Forestry / Veterinary Sciences / Horticulture and Agribusiness Management. NAU has made remarkable progress in Education, Research and Extension Education since its inception. Further, Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari bagged XIV position at national level and I position in Gujarat state in ICAR Ranking for top agricultural universities in India for the year 2018.

## ABOUT NAVSARI

The Navsari is a district place in Gujarat and easily approachable by road, rail and air from all major cities of India. It is just 38 km away from Surat, a major industrial corridor connected by road and railways. The nearest airport is Surat which is 40 km to the North of Navsari. The 241 miles long Salt March taken up by Mahatma Gandhi in 1930 culminated at Dandi a coastal village 13 km to the West of Navsari where National Salt Satyagraha Memorial at Dandi is located. During December, the climatic condition remains cool and pleasant.

## BOARDING and LODGING

Accommodation in campus premises will be made available, if requested on first-come first-served basis.

## **ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDANCE:**

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ON  
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Affix Self Attested  
Recent Passport size  
Photograph

Applicant Full Name (In Block letters) : \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ (DD/MM/YYYY)

Social Category: General  / OBC  / SC  / ST

Gender : Male/ Female

**Application Category :**

- ❖ Selected CAAST PG student :
- ❖ Currently enrolled NAU UG/PG student :
- ❖ Former UG/PG students of NAU :  and SAUs :

• Educational Qualification (**Attach Proof**) : \_\_\_\_\_

❖ \*CGPA in Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

❖ \*CGPA in Post Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

**Communication Address**

**Current:**

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\_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Pin Code: \_\_\_\_\_

**Permanent address\*:**

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\_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Pin Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact No :(Mo.) +91 \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail id: \_\_\_\_\_

Accommodation required : Yes / No

Date :

Place :

**Signature of the Applicant**

**Note:** Scanned copy of the registration form may be mailed in advance to caastnaunavsari@gmail.com

\*Mandatory field & attach proof.