NYPDP —P.L.U.S

National Young Professionals Development Program (NYPDP) for

Professional Learning to Unlock Specialisation in Agricultural Extension (P.L.U.S)

Gender, Innovation Scaling and Policy

MANAGE-University Alliance for Advancing Agricultural Extension and Advisory Services

11–14 November 2026 , MANAGE, Hyderabad

Context

The National Young Professionals Development Program (NYPDP) has emerged as a flagship initiative by the National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management (MANAGE), dedicated to advancing the field of agricultural extension by cultivating a new generation of skilled, future-ready professionals. Since its inception, the program has successfully trained over 767 postgraduate and doctoral scholars from 77 universities across 23 Indian states, fostering a dynamic network of emerging agricultural extension leaders.

NYPDP P.L.U.S (Professional Learning to Unlock Specialisation) builds upon this legacy by introducing a series of specialised training programs, each focusing on a distinct theme that addresses contemporary challenges and opportunities in the field. Each NYPDP P.L.U.S program is designed to go beyond orientation and provide in-depth, practical, and future-ready learning. Participants are exposed to cutting-edge research tools, participatory methods, policy frameworks, and digital technologies relevant to their chosen thematic area. NYPDP P.L.U.S is a strategic investment in the next generation of who will navigate complex rural and agri-food system challenges, influence policy, and bring innovations to the grassroots. It reflects MANAGE's commitment to developing agile, competent, and socially responsible professionals who can contribute meaningfully to sustainable agricultural and rural transformation.

Objectives of NYPDP P.L.U.S

- To develop participants' competencies in gender analysis, inclusive innovation approaches and strategies for scaling agricultural innovations among diverse communities.
- To familiarise participants with career opportunities in gender and development, innovation management, policy, programme implementation and inclusive agricultural development.
- To orient participants towards emerging research priorities at the intersection of gender, innovation scaling and agricultural policy, with emphasis on inclusion, adoption, institutional support and equitable access to innovations.

Methodology

- Expert-Led Thematic Sessions
- Participatory Gender Analysis
- Group Activities
- Case Analysis
- Policy Analysis Exercises
- Peer Learning and Discussions

What Participants Gain

- Practical understanding of gender analysis and inclusive approaches in agricultural extension.
- Knowledge of innovation scaling pathways, including factors influencing adoption, reach and sustainability.
- Exposure to career pathways in gender, innovation management, policy and development programmes.
- Understanding of policy and institutional mechanisms that support inclusive innovation scaling.
- Awareness of emerging research questions related to gender, innovation scaling and agricultural extension.

Last date for Nomination:
30th October 2026

e-mail nominations to

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Who Should Attend?

- The purpose of NYPDP P.L.U.S on "Gender, Innovation Scaling and Policy" is to orient M.Sc. students, PhD scholars, young faculty members of SAUs/CAUs, ICAR, Deemed Universities, Colleges, and KVKs with the specialisation in agricultural extension education, economics, sociology, psychology, MSW journalism, communication, environmental science, development and policy studies

*Participants who have previously attended NYPDP are also eligible to register for NYPDP P.L.U.S.

- A nominal fee of Rs. 3,000 (Rupees Three Thousand only) is charged for training, including food and accommodation

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✔	If nomination is confirmed, I agree to pay **₹3,000** (Rupees three thousand only) towards training charges for 5 days.

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(**Please fill-up completely**)

1. Name (CAPITAL LETTERS) : _____

2. Designation : _____

3. Specialization (Major) : _____

4. Gender (Male or Female) : ____☐ M_____☐ F_____

5. Education (Completed or Ongoing): _____

6. Total Service (Yrs), if employed: _____

7. Univ./Organisation : ☐ **CAU** ☐ **SAU** ☐ **Deemed Univ.**
☐ **Colleges** ☐ **ICAR** ☐ **Univ.** ☐ **Others**

8. Organization Name & Address : _____
: _____

District : _____

State : _____

9. Mobile : _____

e-mail : _____

10. WhatsApp No. : _____

11. Nature of Job : Student/ Scholar/Teaching/ Research/Training/ Extension

Date: **Signature**

*Forwarded and recommended by: Chairman/ HoD/ Dean (If studying or employed)

Signature

- If Student is undergoing degree program.