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### Training Program on Promoting Sustainable Food Systems in Agriculture and Allied Sectors

MANAGE organized a 3-day training program on 'Promoting Sustainable Food Systems in Agriculture and Allied Sectors' from July 1-3, 2025. 37 participants attended, including Agricultural Officers, Deputy Directors, Scientists, and Veterinary Doctors from across India, representing departments of Agricultural Extension, Horticulture, Dairy, Fisheries, and Animal Husbandry.

Dr. Sagar Hanuman Singh, IPoS, Director General, MANAGE, graced the valedictory session, highlighting the program's core objective: promoting sustainability in agriculture and allied sectors. He encouraged participants to apply their knowledge to promote sustainable practices. Dr Veenita Kumari, Deputy Director (Gender Studies), MANAGE, emphasized food security in the context of global challenges.

The program covered topics like global challenges and food security, soil health, sustainable agriculture, urban agriculture, organic farming, farming systems, sustainable livestock management, and circular economy in food systems. Participants visited Centre for Sustainable Agriculture, Secunderabad. Dr K. Naresh, Academic Associate, MANAGE, directed the program.





## MANAGE organized Training Program on Gender Responsive Extension Services at SKUAST Jammu

MANAGE. in collaboration with State Agricultural Management and Extension **Training** Institute (SAMETI-J) and the Directorate of Extension, SKUAST-Jammu, successfully organized a comprehensive fourday training program on "Gender Responsive Extension Services" at SKUAST Jammu from August 18-21, 2025.



This initiative provided a vital platform for cross-learning and exchange of experience among participants, focusing on mainstreaming gender concerns in agricultural extension delivery. The training emphasized the need for inclusive approaches that recognize and address the specific challenges faced by women in agriculture, while highlighting opportunities for enhancing their participation and leadership in extension systems.

The program was expertly directed by Dr. Veenita Kumari, Deputy Director (Gender Studies) at MANAGE, ensuring a thorough and impactful learning experience for all participants.



# PG Students Visit MANAGE: Exploring Gender Mainstreaming in Agriculture

Post Graduate students from the Deptt. of Agril. Extension and Agril. Economics, PJTAU, visited Center for Gender in Agriculture, MANAGE, Hyderabad, as part of their course on 'Gender Mainstreaming in Agriculture' on September 04 2025. They interacted with the Gender Studies team, where Dr. Veenita Kumari highlighted the importance of integrating 'Gender' into the curriculum and sensitizing students in SAUs/CAUs to promote awareness among the next generation of agriculture professionals.





#### Webinar:

- 1 'Gender-Responsive Strategies for Addressing Climate Change in Agriculture' on July 11, 2025
- 2. 'Role of Community Engagement to Address Gender Inequality' September 23, 2025.

## **Online Collaborative Training Programs**

- 1. Promotion of Biofortified Crops for Nutrition Security' from July 16-18, 2025 by MANAGE.
- 2. 'Transforming Cities through Urban Agriculture and Community Gardening Practices' July 29-31, 2025, in collaboration with Amity University Uttar Pradesh, Noida.
- 3. 'Ensuring nutritional security through Agri-Food Systems' August 19-23, 2025, in collaboration with EEI, Hyderabad.
- 4. 'Biofortification-A Frontier Novel Approach to Enrich Micronutrients in Millets to Encounter Food and Nutritional Security in India' September 01-03, 2025, in collaboration with ICAR-India Institute of Millets Research, Hyderabad.

#### **Invited Sessions**





- 1. Dr. Veenita Kumari delivered a session in the Faculty Development Program (September 1-3, 2025) on "Improving Nutrient Orientation of Farming Community with focus on awareness, strategies, programs, and schemes of the government" on September 2, 2025.
- 2. Dr. Veenita Kumari delivered a session in "Transforming Agriculture for Smallholders through Efficient Marketing" (September 10-23, 2025) under the Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC) program on the topic "Orientation towards Nutrition for Better Marketing Integration" on September 19, 2025.
- 3. Ms. Pragati Shukla delivered a session in the 5th batch of Jai Jawan Jai Kisan on "Bio-Control Agents: Scope, Importance, Business Opportunities & Success Stories" on September 30, 2025.

### **Educational Program**

PGDAEM (Post Graduate Diploma in Agricultural Extension Management) distance program in Offline mode:



Contact classes conducted at Study centres/ SAMETIs

In the academic year, 2024-25 for candidates who enrolled into 18th batch PGDAEM program, 1st semester contact classes were conducted from 25th August to 25th September, 2025. The Lecture series-cum-contact classes are organized at the study center for five days, well in advance of the commencement of examinations. The study center has to conduct contact classes and examinations every semester in a gap of one month when announced by MANAGE.

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