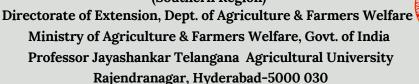
### **EXTENSION EDUCATION INSTITUTE**

(Southern Region)



On campus training programme on
Farmer Field Schools for
Animal Husbandry Practices
for the officers of Dept. of Fisheries &ARD,
Odisha State
(23-27 September, 2025)



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### Introduction

The Extension Education Institute (EEI), Hyderabad, is organizing a 5-days on-campus training programme on Farmer Field Schools (FFS) in Animal Husbandry Practices for the District Training Coordinators and Live Stock Inspectors of the Department of Animal Husbandry, Odisha State, from 23rd to 27th September 2025 at Hyderabad, Telangana. The programme is designed to strengthen the capacities of extension officers in facilitating participatory learning models for livestock, dairy and poultry development through structured sessions, field visits, and hands-on experience.

# **About Farmer Field Schools (FFS) in Animal Husbandry**

Farmer Field Schools (FFS) are participatory, farmer-centered approaches that focus on experiential learning, collective problem-solving, and adoption of best practices in farming. In animal husbandry, FFS enable farmers to analyze livestock production challenges, test improved practices, and adopt sustainable, climate-smart technologies for enhanced productivity. They also provide a platform for knowledge sharing, gender inclusion, and community-based extension, thereby strengthening livestock-based livelihoods.

## **Objectives**

The training programme aims to:

Orient participants to the concept, principles, and importance of FFS in animal husbandry.

Build technical knowledge on species-specific FFS models (poultry, dairy, sheep, goat, etc.).

Provide exposure to high-yielding fodder, climatesmart practices, and successful livestock units.

Strengthen skills in extension strategies, gender budgeting, and government schemes for scaling up FFS. Enable participants have practical exposure to live stock units and digital media tools

## **Programme Contents**

- · Role of Farmer Field Schools (FFS) in animal husbandry
- · Effective FFS practices in poultry
- · High-yielding fodder varieties for FFS
- · Climate-smart approaches in animal husbandry
- · FFS in dairy and piggery farming
- · FFS in sheep and goat rearing
- · Extension strategies to upscale FFS in animal husbandry
- · Government schemes and programmes in animal husbandry
- · Gender budgeting in animal husbandry
- · EEI blog orientation and back-home planning
- · Post-evaluation and valedictory

### **Visits**

- · Field visit to livestock units (rabbit, poultry, dairy, quail, emu, sheep, goat, etc.)
- · Hands-on experience at electronic wing (video jingles)
- · Visit to Winning Farms, Shamshabad

## Methodology

- · Presentations by eminent speakers/experts
- · Interim interactive sessions
- · Interim group discussions
- · Brainstorming
- · Individual and group presentations
- · Individual and group assignments
- · Kirkpatrick Model of Evaluation

## **Participating Officers**

Officers from Department of Fisheries & ARD, Odisha State.

### **Duration**

23-27 September, 2025 (both days inclusive)

#### **Evaluation:**

Pre, Post Course evaluation and After Training Evaluation will be administered to the participants to assess their knowledge and effectiveness of the training.

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