Agri-Clinics And Agri-Business Centres SchemeAre you sure you want to sign out?CancelSign OutEngEnglish/à□¹à□;à□;à□;ीSign InBackDetailsBenefitsEligibilityExclusionsApplication ProcessDocuments RequiredFrequently Asked QuestionsSources And ReferencesFeedbackSomething went wrong. Please try again later.OkYou need to sign in before applying for schemesCancelSign InSomething went wrong. Please try again later. OkIt seems you have already initiated your application earlier. To know more please visit CancelApply NowCheck EligibilityMinistry Of Agriculture and Farmers WelfareAgri-Clinics And Agri-Business Centres SchemeAgricultureBusinessEmploymentEntrepreneurStudentTrainingDetailsA welfare scheme by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare was launched in 2002. AC&ABC aims at agricultural development by supplementing the efforts of public extension by providing extension and other services to farmers either on a payment basis or free of cost as per the business model of agri-preneur, local needs, and affordability of the target group of farmers. AC&ABC creates gainful self-employment opportunities for unemployed agricultural graduates, agricultural diploma holders, intermediate in agriculture, and biological science graduates with PG in agri-related courses. NABARD is acting as a subsidy channelizing agency for this scheme. i»¿Committed to this program, the Government is now also providing start-up training to graduates in Agriculture, or any subject allied to Agriculture like Horticulture, Sericulture, Veterinary Sciences, Forestry, Dairy, Poultry Farming, Fisheries, etc. Those completing the training can apply for special start-up loans for ventures.BenefitsAgri-Clinics - Agri-Clinics are envisaged to provide expert advice and services to farmers on various aspects to enhance the productivity of crops/animals and increase the incomes of farmers. Agri-Clinics provide support in the following areas: Soil healthCropping practicesPlant protectionCrop insurance post-harvest technology clinical services for animals, feed and fodder management prices of various crops in the market, etc.i»; Agri-Business Centres - Agri-Business Centres are commercial units of agriventures established by trained agriculture professionals. These ventures may include maintenance and custom hiring of farm equipment, sale of inputs, and other services in agriculture and allied areas, including post-harvest management and market linkages for income generation and entrepreneurship development."»; The scheme covers full financial support for training and handholding, provision of loans, and credit-linked back-end composite subsidy. "»¿Project activities - Extension consultancy services Soil and water quality cum inputs testing laboratories (with Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometers)Pest surveillance, diagnostic and control servicesMaintenance, repairs, and custom hiring of agricultural implements and machinery including micro-irrigation systems (sprinkler and drip)Agri Service Centres include the three activities mentioned above (Group Activity). Seed Processing UnitsMicro-propagation through Plant Tissue Culture Labs and Hardening UnitsSetting up of Vermiculture units, production of bio-fertilizers, bio-pesticides, and bio-control agents.Setting up of Apiaries (bee-keeping) and honey & bee products' processing unitsProvision of Extension Consultancy ServicesHatcheries and production of fish fingerlings for aquacultureProvision of livestock health cover, setting up veterinary dispensaries & services including frozen semen banks and liquid nitrogen supplySetting up of Information Technology Kiosks in rural areas for access to various agriculture-related portalsFeed Processing and testing unitsValue Addition CentresSetting up of Cool Chain from the farm level onwards (Group Activity)Retail marketing outlets for processed agri-productsRural marketing dealerships of farm inputs and outputsEligibilityThe age of the applicant must be between 18 and 60 years. The applicant must qualify as one of the following -Graduates in agriculture and allied subjects from SAUs/ Central Agricultural Universities/ Universities recognized by ICAR/ UGC. Degree in Agriculture and allied subjects offered by other agencies are also considered subject to the approval of the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Government of India on the recommendation of the State Government. Diploma (with at least 50% marks)/ Post Graduate Diploma holders in Agriculture and allied subjects from State Agricultural Universities, State Agriculture and Allied Departments, and State Department of Technical Education. Diplomas in Agriculture and allied subjects offered by other agencies are also considered subject to the approval of the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Government of India on the recommendation of the State Government. Biological Science Graduates with Post Graduation in Agriculture & allied subjects. Degree courses recognized by UGC have more than 60 percent of the course content in Agriculture and allied subjects. Diploma/Post-graduate Diploma courses with more than 60 percent of course content in Agriculture and allied subjects, after B.Sc. with Biological Sciences, from recognized colleges and universities. Agriculture-related courses at intermediate (i.e. plus two) level, with at least 55% marks. Exclusions Retired Employees Getting Pensionary Benefits Are Not Eligible For Subsidy. However, They Can Undergo Training And Establish Self Financed Projects. Application ProcessOnlineStep 1: Visit on the Official Website "">¿Step 2: Fill in the mandatory fields correctly. Upload the required documents in the said format and size. Step 3: Click "Submit" to complete the application process. in the applicant can check his/her application status by visiting this link.Documents Required1. Applicant Aadhaar Number.2. Email ID.3. Latest Educational Qualification.4. Applicant's Bank Account Details.5. Applicant photoTill such time as Aadhaar is assigned to an individual, she/he can avail the benefit of the scheme on the production of the following documents: Aadhaar enrolment ID slip/ Copy of request for Aadhaar enrolment and Voter Identity Card/ PAN/ Passport/ Ration Card/ Employee Government ID/ Passbook of Bank or Post Office/ MGNREGS Card/ Kisan Photo Passport/ Driving Licenses/ any other document as specified by State/ UT.Frequently Asked QuestionsHow much is a crop loan per acre?DBT will be given at the rate of Rs 4,000 per acre per season for cropping while zerointerest loan will be at the rate of Rs 50,000 per hectare to be capped at Rs 1 lakh per farmer, sources told BusinessToday.In. The crop loan is already offered to farmers at a subsidized rate of 4 percent only. What is the lock in period for bank loans? A beneficiary cannot close the bank loans within three years from the date of availing loans. What is the subsidy pattern? The subsidy is 36% of the Total Financial Outlay (TFO) for General Category candidates and 44% for Women, SC/ST/NE and Hilly State Candidates. Is there any other condition for eligibility? Yes, retired employees getting pensionary benefits are not eligible for subsidy. However, they can undergo training and establish self financed projects. Is there any upper ceiling for the project cost? Yes, the upper ceiling for the project cost eligible for subsidy is Rs. 20 Lakhs for individual projects and Rs. 100 Lakh for group projects. For extremely successful individual projects the ceiling is Rs. 25 Lakh.Can the candidates undertake group projects?Yes, the candidates are allowed to undertake group projects, if the group consists of a total of five or more persons trained under the scheme. What will happen if the project is not completed? If the project is not completed within the stipulated period, benefit of subsidy shall not be available and advance subsidy placed with the participating bank, if any, will have to be refunded forthwith to NABARD. What is the duration of the training? 45 days of residential training for the students who are desirous of setting up agri-clinics and agri-business centers. Sources And ReferencesGuidelinesScheme Brief By NABARDList Of Nodal InstitutesOkWas this helpful?News and UpdatesNo new news and updates availableShareSomething went wrong. Please try again later.OkYou need to sign in before applying for schemesCancelSign InSomething went wrong. Please try again later. OkIt seems you have already initiated your application earlier. 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