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The Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer
State Cooperative Banks

Madam / Sir,

Online Training of Trainers Programme on Agri Finance for the STC Faculties of Cooperative Banks

October 06 to 08, 2026

Reserve Bank of India, CAB, Pune is conducting a "Training of Trainers Programme on Agri Finance for the STC Faculties of Cooperative Banks" through online mode from October 06 to 08, 2026.

2. Programme Objectives: Rural Cooperative Banks have their Staff Training Colleges (STC) in each State for training their officials regularly. To enhance their training programs, STC faculty members need capacity building on recent policy initiatives and advancements in agricultural technology, enabling them to effectively teach agricultural project financing and better equip participants with relevant knowledge and skills. Keeping this in view, the programme has been designed with the following objectives:

- To enhance the capacity of STC faculties to effectively deliver sessions on key topics such as basic Agri-finance principles, agricultural project appraisal, and financing of Agri allied projects.
- To impart knowledge on high-tech agriculture, post-harvest management infrastructure and Agri-MSMEs and digital lending in agriculture
- To create awareness and understanding of financing opportunities in emerging areas such as Agri Value Chain (AVC), Contract farming and Farmers' Producer Organizations (FPOs).

3. The programme will be conducted on **CISCO WebEx platform from 10.00 a.m. to 05.00 p.m. on all days.** The participants can join from any device with a camera (laptops, PC, Smartphones

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etc.) and a stable internet connection with good bandwidth. The details regarding joining the WebEx platform will be intimated to the participants in due course.

4. Course Contents: The broad course content of the programme is given in Annex I.

5. We request you to nominate suitable officers from your bank for this programme. Nominations may please be sent to nomination.ami@rbi.org.in on or before **September 30, 2026**. The nominations shall be accepted on First Come First Served basis. **The details of the participation fee are given in Annex II.**

6. For nomination-related enquiries, you may please contact the Nomination Desk (Shri. Prathmesh Patil – 020 2558 2396 / Shri Ketan Lanjewar – 020 2558 2389) or through e-mail to nomination.ami@rbi.org.in

IMPORTANT DATES	
Programme Dates	October 06 to 08, 2026
Last date for receipt of nomination	September 30, 2026
Programme Timings	10:00 am to 05:00 pm
Completion of programme	05.00 p.m. on October 08, 2026

Yours sincerely,

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Encl.: As above

Annex – I

Module	Theme	Key Areas to be Covered
I	Agricultural Finance: Emerging Landscape & Policy Framework	• Overview and emerging trends in agricultural finance in India • RBI guidelines and recent Government initiatives • Emerging opportunities for financial institutions in agriculture
II	Project Appraisal & Financing of Agri-Investments	• Project approach to agricultural lending • Technical and financial appraisal of agri-projects • Assessment of viability, bankability and repayment capacity • Financing agriculture and allied sectors projects
III	Digital & Innovative Approaches to Agri-Finance	• Digital lending approaches in agriculture • Use of digital platforms, data and technology in agricultural credit delivery • Agri-startups and their role in digital agriculture • Opportunities for banks to engage with the AgriTech ecosystem
IV	FPOs & Agricultural Value Chain Financing	• Role of FPOs in aggregation and market linkages • Financing Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs) • Agricultural Value Chain Financing (VCF) and emerging financing models • Financing various actors across agricultural value chains
V	Warehouse Receipt & Post-Harvest Financing	• Warehouse Receipt Financing and its potential • Financing against electronic Negotiable Warehouse Receipts (e-NWRs) • Role of warehousing in reducing distress sales and improving credit access • Opportunities for banks in post-harvest and commodity financing
VI	Climate-Resilient & Sustainable Agriculture Finance	• Climate-resilient and sustainable agriculture • Financing climate-smart agricultural technologies • Renewable energy, water-use efficiency and resource efficient agriculture • Emerging opportunities in green and sustainable agricultural finance
VII	Risk Management in Agricultural Finance	• Credit monitoring and early warning signals • Managing risks in agricultural lending • NPA management and recovery • Strategies for improving the quality of the agricultural credit portfolio

Annex II

Training of Trainers Programme on Agri Finance
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Fee Structure

Group	**Fees per participant**	**18% GST**	**Total fees to be paid per participant (Including GST)**
State Cooperative Banks	₹ 4,050/-	₹ 729/-	**₹ 4,779/-**

Please use the programme code AMI-06102026 in Sender to Receiver Information while remitting the fee through NEFT.

PLEASE DON'T REMIT THE PAYMENT THROUGH RTGS. PLEASE MAKE THE PAYMENT BY NEFT ONLY.

In terms of section 48 of RBI Act 1934, RBI is exempted from payment of Income Tax or Super Tax on any of its Income, Profits or Gains. Nominating institutions should, therefore, not deduct TDS on the Programme Fees.

Reserve Bank of India established the College of Agricultural Banking (CAB) in 1969 to provide training inputs in Rural and Cooperative Banking. Subsequently, recognizing the changing needs of the Indian financial sector, the College expanded its scope to provide training in other areas like agricultural banking, MSME financing, Financial Inclusion & Literacy, Human Resources & Leadership, etc. From the Academic Year 2021, the College has further identified four focus areas (4 Cs), namely, Corporate Governance, Cyber Security, Consumer Protection, and Compliance Management, to build capacity amongst the bankers and financial professionals to enhance the robustness and service standards in the financial system.

The College also conducts programmes and research conferences in collaboration with various institutions. The College further conducts customized training programmes for institutions, both national and international, as per their specific requirements.

The College has been nominated as the 'Nodal Institution' for imparting training to various stakeholders of UCBs on cyber security under the Mission 'AVTU' in 2021, apart from being nominated as the Nodal Institution to impart specialised NAMCABs workshops in the area of MSME financing, since 2015.