

ASSIGNMENT BOOKLET

**Diploma in Agricultural Cost Management
(DACM)**

**January 2026 sessions
and
July 2026 Sessions**



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Dear Students,

The Diploma in Agricultural CostManagement(DACM) consists of 6 theory courses. The assessment of theory courses is done in two components, i.e. continuous assessment (assignment) and term-end examination. The weightage for the term-end examination will be 70per cent, and the weightage for the continuous assessment (assignment) will be 30per cent. There is one assignment for each theory course, thus a total of six assignments for the programme. Each assignment will be of 100 marks, which ultimately will be converted to have a weightage of 30 % of the total marks.

Before attempting the assignments, please read the following instructions carefully.

1. First of all, read the assignment /questions and instructions carefully and identify the components of an assignment. You should read the relevant sections and sub-sections of a unit while preparing your responses, and write answers in your own words. Your responses should not be a verbatim reproduction of the textual materials/blocks provided for self-learning purposes. We also suggest that you read additional materials available in your study centre or any other library before preparing your responses. But extra reading is not a must to answer these assignments.
2. **On the top of the first page of your answer sheet, please write the details exactly in the following format.**

Enrolment no.:

Name:

Address:

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Course Code:

Course Title:

Study Centre:

(Name and Code)

Date:

3. Use foolscap-size paper for writing your answer.
4. Leave a 4 cm margin on the top, bottom, and left of your answer sheet.
5. Indicate the question number and part of the question being solved while writing your answers.
6. Assignments have to be sent to the Programme Coordinator of your study centre.
7. **We strongly suggest that you retain a copy of your assignment responses.**

Wishing you good luck.

Assignment 1

Course Code: BAM-001
Course Title: Basics of Agriculture
Session: January and July, 2026

Maximum Marks: 100

Note: Attempt any FIVE questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1.	What is meant by water erosion? Discuss the types of water erosion. Explain the soil and water conservation measures.
2.	Explain the soil fertility assessment and maintenance under the Indian situation.
3.	What do you understand by a cropping system and a farming system? Explain the components and types of cropping systems.
4.	Explain the climate and soil requirements, varieties, and cultivation and management practices for barley cultivation.
5.	Discuss the climatic and soil requirements, land preparation, varieties, seed sowing, nutrient and pest management, harvesting, and yield of major pulses in India.
6.	Describe the area, production, and productivity of major vegetable crops in India. Also discuss the relevance of vegetable crops in the agro-industry.
7.	Discuss the importance and scope of apiculture. Describe the hive products and strategies for honey marketing.
8.	What are the pros and cons of starting hi-tech farming? Discuss the prerequisites for starting a Hi-Tech farming.