

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 -5

Course Code: BAM-005
Course Title: Agripreneurship
Session: January and July, 2026

Maximum Marks: 100

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

1.	Discuss the meaning and characteristics of an entrepreneur. What skill development is important for agripreneurship? Explain the government support for skill development.
2.	What do you understand by startup funding? Explain the funding requirements and sources at various stages of startup. Briefly mention the government schemes for agri startups.
3.	What is meant by agri based micro & small enterprise? Discuss the major support services provided by the Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises Development Institute (MSME-DI) in promoting and nurturing small and medium-sized businesses.
4.	Discuss the characteristics and problems of the rural economy. Explain the role of sustainable agriculture in the rural economy.
5.	What are Gram Panchayat Development Plans (GPDPs)? Explain the components of GPDP.
6.	Discuss the concepts and principles of the circular economy. Also, explain the 7 R's of the circular economy.
7.	Discuss the structure of the banking system functioning in India.
8.	What is meant by agricultural marketing? Discuss the functions and methods of agricultural marketing. Also, discuss about the problems in agricultural marketing in India.