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The Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer Scheduled Commercial Banks (including RRBs and Small Finance Banks) Rural Cooperative Banks

Madam/Sir,

Programme on Financing Hi-tech Agriculture (August 28 & 29, 2025)

Reserve Bank of India, CAB, Pune is conducting a Programme on Financing Hi-tech Agriculture for officers of Scheduled Commercial Banks (including RRBs and Small Finance Banks) and Rural Cooperative Banks on August 28 & 29, 2025, at CAB Campus, Pune.

2. Programme Objectives: The objectives of the programme are-

- > To impart knowledge on hi-tech agriculture / allied activities and potential for finance.
- To enhance skills in technical and financial appraisal of hi-tech agriculture and allied activities.
- > To create awareness on the emerging agrifinance delivery models.

3. Venue and accommodation

The programme is residential. The arrangements regarding lodging and boarding will be made at the CAB campus, Pune. Participants may report to the CAB on the evening of the day preceding the programme and may vacate at the conclusion of the programme. Please note that overstay and accompanying guests are not permitted.

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

5. We request you to nominate suitable officers dealing with agri-finance and Trainers of Training Institutions of banks from your bank for this programme. Nominations may please be sent to <u>nomination.ami@rbi.org.in</u> on or before **August 18, 2025**. The details of participation fee are given in Annex II. Please note that nominations will be accepted on first-come-first-serve basis as the seats are limited.

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6. For nomination related enquiries, you may please contact the Nomination Desk (Shri. Prathamesh Patil – Telephone No. 020 2558 2396) or through e-mail to nomination.ami@rbi.org.in

IMPORTANT DATES				
Programme Dates	August 28 & 29, 2025			
Last date for receipt of nomination	August 18, 2025			
Reporting at CAB	August 27, 2025			
Completion of programme	17.30 HRS on August 29, 2025			

Yours sincerely

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Encl.: As above

Broad Course Content

Module I: Overview of Hi-Tech Agriculture				
Hi-tech Agriculture in India- Overview				
Concepts				
Potential for Hi-tech agriculture				
 Financing Opportunities for banks 				
Role of Technology				
Alternate farming systems				
Module II: Major Sectors and Activities in Hi-Tech Agriculture				
Protected Cultivation				
 Poly house & Greenhouse Projects 				
Techno-financial Appraisal				
 Promotional initiatives and subsidy from Government 				
Financing Innovative Agricultural Projects				
 Hydroponics and Aquaponics 				
Vertical Farming				
Techno-financial Appraisal				
 Promotional initiatives and subsidy from Government 				
Precision farming				
 Status and financing opportunities for precision irrigation systems 				
Techno-financial Appraisal				
 Promotional initiatives and subsidy from Government 				
Financing of Drones				
 Approaches for use of Drones in Agriculture 				
 Government Schemes and Guidelines 				
Techno-financial Appraisal				
Module III: Role of Start-up and Agri-Techs in Hi-Tech Agriculture				
Overview				
 Role of Start-up in Promoting Hi-tech Agri 				
Financing Approaches				
Tech-enabled approaches to Agriculture – Use of IOT, Drones and AI				
Approaches & Strategies for Hi-Tech Agriculture: Interaction with Practitioner				

Annex II

Programme on Financing Hi-tech Agriculture (August 28 & 29, 2025)

Fee Structure

Group	Туре	Fees per participant	18% GST	Total fees to be paid per participant (including GST)
Commercial Banks and Financial Institutions	Residential	12100	2178	14278
	Non-residential	8000	1440	9440
Scheduled UCBs, Non-Scheduled UCBs with deposit base of more than Rs.100 crore, RRBs, LABs, State Cooperative Banks and NBFCs	Residential	9100	1638	10738
	Non-residential	6000	1080	7080
Non-Scheduled UCBs with deposit base of less than Rs.100 crore, SFBs, Payment Banks, Government Departments, DCCBs, NGOs, State Level FIs, Non-NBFC MFIs and Certified Credit Counsellors	Residential	6100	1098	7198
	Non-residential	4000	720	4720

Please use the programme code <u>AMI-28082025</u> 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.