

# **ASSIGNMENT BOOKLET**

**(For January 2020 and  
July 2020 Sessions)**

**Certificate in Organic Farming  
(COF)**



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**Dear Learners,**

As you are aware that for theory, the weightage to the term-end examination will be 80% and the weightage to the continuous assessment will be 20%. The continuous assessment is in form of assignments. There is one assignment for each course i.e. total four assignments for the programme. Each assignment will be of 50 marks, which ultimately will be converted to have weightage of 20% of theory. Instructions to format your assignments are as follows:

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

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

Enrollment no:.....  
Name:.....  
Address:.....  
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Course Code:..... Course -Title:.....

Study Centre:..... Date:.....  
(Name and Code)

3. Use foolscap size paper for writing your answer.
4. Leave 4cm margin on the top, bottom and left of your answer sheet.
5. Clearly indicate question no. and part of the question being solved while writing answers.

Assignment No.	Last date of Submission (For January, 2020)	Last date of Submission (For July, 2020)
Assignment 1 (BAP-001)	Before 30 <sup>th</sup> April, 2020 (Before submission of Term-End Exam Form)	Before 15 <sup>th</sup> September, 2020
Assignment 2 (BAPI-001)		(Before submission of Term-End Exam Form)
Assignment 3 (BAPI-002)		
Assignment 4 (BAPI-003)		

6. Assignments have to be sent to the coordinator of your study centre.

**7. We strongly suggest that you should retain a copy of your assignment responses.**

**Wishing you good luck!**

**Assignment - 1**  
**Course Code: BAP-001**  
**Course Title: Introduction to Organic Farming**

**Maximum Marks: 50**

**Note: All questions are compulsory and carry equal marks.**

- Q.1 How the chemical use in Agriculture is hazardous to the Ecosystem? Explain with the consequences of chemical farming. 10
- Q.2 What do you mean by LEISA farming approach? Explain with suitable examples. 10
- Q.3 Explain concepts of organic farming with “Farm as an Organism”. 10
- Q.4. How the Traditional knowledge is helpful in organic farming? Explain in your own words with suitable examples. 10
- Q.5 Discuss significant characteristics of Organic Farming. Explain its benefits. Also explain its limitations. 10

**Assignment - 2**  
**Course Code: BAPI-001**  
**Course Title: Introduction to Organic Farming**

**Maximum Marks: 50**

**Note: All questions are compulsory and carry equal marks.**

- Q.1 Explain the benefits of Green Manuring? Write the common features of 05 important green manuring crops. 10
- Q.2. Discuss Pest Management in Organic Farming. 10
- Q.3. What do you mean by irrigation water? Why analysis of quality of water is necessary under organic farming? Also explain the process of prevention of Contamination in organic farm through poor quality irrigation water. 10
- Q.4. What are the common plants used for preparation of Bio-pesticides? Explain the features of 05 such plants about their biological activities. 10
- Q.5. “For a successful organic farming, soil fertility management is an integral part”. Explain this sentence in your opinion with suitable examples. 10

**Assignment - 3**  
**Course Code: BAPI-002**  
**Course Title: Introduction to Organic Farming**

**Maximum Marks: 50**

**Note: All questions are compulsory and carry equal marks.**

- Q.1 How the chain of custody is helpful in maintaining the integrity of organic food products? Describe in your language. 10
- Q.2 What are important certificates issued for various activities of organic business? Explain. 10
- Q.3 What are the differences between inspection and certification? Give detailed account of Internal Review and Quality Management of Inspection and Certification Bodies. 10
- Q.4 Please illustrate the format Activity Register which is maintained at the farm. Also explain the significance of input records for the inspection of an organic farm. 10
- Q.5 Draw India Organic Logo. Also describe the terms and conditions of its uses. 10

**Assignment - 4**  
**Course Code: BAPI-003**  
**Course Title: Introduction to Organic Farming**

**Maximum Marks: 50**

**Note: All questions are compulsory and carry equal marks.**

- Q.1 Describe the supply chain of organic spices and fruits and vegetables. 10
- Q.2 Please explain the general concepts about Marketing Functions. 10
- Q.3 Discuss present marketing system of organic products in our country. 10
- Q.4 Explain the features of all Govt. Schemes available for promotion of organic farming in this country. 10
- Q.5 The supply of organic products in the country is still not sufficient. According to you, what strategies are required to enhance the supply of organic products? 10