ASSIGNMENTS

for

January 2020

and

July 2020 Sessions

Certificate in Poultry Farming (CPF)



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LAST DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF ASSIGNMENTS

Course Code	Last Date for Submission of Assignments at PSC	
	January 2020 Session	For July 2020 Session
OLP-001	29th February 2020	31st August 2020
OLPI-001	15 th March 2020	15 th September 2020
OLPI-002	27 th March 2020	27 th September 2020

Note:

- Kindly submit your assignments at the concerned study centre within the due date as mentioned above.
- Before submitting the examination form (March and September for June and December Term-end examinations), it is essential to submit the assignment and get authentication from Programme-in charge or Coordinator of the study centre for the courses you will be appearing for.

Welcome to the "Certificate in Poultry Farming" (CPF) programme.

We hope that you have gone through the Programme Guide of CPF programme carefully and completely. The weightage to the term-end examination (TEE) will be 80% and weightage to the continuous assessment (Assignments) will be 20%. There is one assignment for each course with theory component i.e. three assignments for the programme (OLP-001, OLPI-001 and OLPI-002). Each assignment will be of 50 marks which will be ultimately converted to have weightage of 20% of the theory. You are requested to go through the study materials first and then prepare the assignment response following the instructions. Your responses should not be a complete reproduction of the textual material/blocks provided for self-learning purposes. Please submit your assignment responses at the Study Centre/Programme Study Centre (PSC) allotted to you on or before the due date. The assignments will be evaluated by the Counsellors at the study centre/PSC and the respective weightage of marks will be added to the percentage of marks obtained at the term-end examination. Each candidate will have to complete assignments in order to appear in the term-end examination. Candidates are therefore, advised to take assignments seriously and submit them in time.

General Instructions

- 1) If you fail to submit the assignments before the due date of the particular session, you are supposed to attempt the fresh set of assignment of subsequent sessions.
- 2) Write your Enrolment Number, Name, Full Address and Date of Despatch at the top right-hand corner of the first page of your answer sheet.
- 3) Write the Programme Title, Course Title, Assignment Code, Code and Place of the Study Centre on the left- hand corner of the first page of your answer sheet.

The top of the first page of your answer sheet for each assignment should be as follows:

Programme Title	Enrolment No		
Course Code	Name		
Course Title	Address		
Study Centre Code			
(Place)	Date		
Note: Students are required to follow this format strictly.			

- 4) Your answer sheet should be complete in all respects. Make sure that you have answered all the questions in assignments before submitting them. Incomplete answer sheets will yield poor marks.
- 5) As far as possible, you are advised to give the relevant points from the course material and elaborate their answers and explanations in your own language instead of reproducing the language of the course materials.
- 6) You are advised not to copy from the study material while attempting the assignments. In case it is found that the assignments have been copied from study material, you will be awarded zero marks.

- 7) Avoid copying from the answer sheets of other learners. If copying is noticed, the assignments of such learners will be rejected.
- 8) Use only foolscap size paper for your answers, ordinary writing paper, neither too thick nor too thin, will do. Assignments should be strictly hand written. Typed assignment are not acceptable.
- 9) Leave 3"margin on the left and at least 4 lines in-between each answer in an assignment. This will enable your Counsellor to write useful comments in appropriate places. Write question number for each answer clearly.
- 10) The coordinator of your Study Centre/PSC will return the evaluated assignments to you. This will also include a copy of assessment sheet containing global comments of the evaluator on your performance in the assignments. This will enable you to improve in your future assignments as well as in the term- end examinations.
- 11) The Assignments should be sent or submitted to the Programme In-charge/Coordinator of the Study Centre/PSC allotted to you.

Before attempting the assignments, please read the instructions carefully.

Wishing you all the best for successful completion of the programme.

HAPPY LEARNING!

Programme Coordinator (CPF)

OLP-001: INTRODUCTION TO POULTRY FARMING

Maximum Marks: 50

Answer all questions. All questions carry equal marks.

(5x10=50)

- 1) Discuss about the present status of poultry industry in India. Give your opinion on the strengths and weaknesses of Indian Poultry Industry. What is the scope of poultry farming in India?
- 2) Define the following in one or two lines:
 - a. Breed
 - b. Pause
 - c. Culling
 - d. Hatchability
 - e. Broiler
- 3) Differentiate between Feed Conversion Ratio (FCR) and Feed Efficiency Ratio (FER).
- 4) Identify different types of poultry farms. What are the advantages of rearing duck?
- 5) Describe the different institutions involved in the poultry development.
- 6) Give any one characteristic feature of the following breeds:
 - a. New Hampshire
 - b. Leghorn
 - c. Rhode Island Red
 - d. Khaki Campbell
 - e. Beltsville White
- 7) Draw the body parts of chicken and name them.
- 8) Describe the female reproductive system of hen with the help of a diagram.
- 9) Define Artificial Insemination. What are its advantages and disadvantages?
- 10) Differentiate between good layer and poor or bad layer.

OLPI-001: POULTRY HOUSING AND MANAGEMENT

Maximum Marks: 50

Answer all questions. All questions carry equal marks.

(5x10=50)

- 1) What are the pre-requisites of a poultry house? Give your opinion about the possibility of starting a poultry farm in your locality based on the pre-requisites and justify your answer.
- 2) What is deep litter system? For which type of birds they are commonly used in our country? Give its advantages and disadvantages.
- 3) Enlist any 10 equipment used in a poultry farm (Both broiler and layer) and give any one use for each equipment.
- 4) Tabulate the requirements in setter and hatcher for incubation and hatching of chicken egg and give the importance of each of the requirement.
- 5) How would you assess the comfort of chicks during brooding? Depict with the help of

- a diagram.
- 6) Explain Infectious Bursal Disease.
- 7) Give the vaccination schedule of broilers and layers.
- 8) Define the following:
 - a. HDEP
 - b. HHEP
 - c. Benefit-cost ratio
 - d. Debilling
 - e. Wing-notching
- 9) What is grading or sorting of eggs? Discuss about the different grades of table eggs.
- 10) Explain the factors affecting the cost of production. Describe the cost reduction methods.

OLPI-002: POULTRY FEEDS AND FEEDING

Maximum Marks: 50

Answer all questions. All questions carry equal marks.

(5x10=50)

- 1) Explain how poultry feedstuffs are classified? Discuss any two common animal protein sources and two unconventional energy sources.
- 2) Give the composition of mineral mixture for broiler and layer diets.
- 3) List any two characteristic signs/symptoms of the following deficiency diseases:
 - a. Vitamin D₃ deficiency in layers
 - b. Manganese deficiency in chicks
 - c. Calcium deficiency in layers
 - d. Vitamin B₂ deficiency in chicks
 - e. Selenium deficiency in chicks
- 4) What are the causes of aflatoxicosis? Explain how it affects the quality and health of birds.
- 5) Differentiate between Feed Conversion Ratio and Feed Efficiency Ratio. Explain how to calculate them.
- 6) Describe the different methods of feed formulation.
- 7) What do you mean by Pellet form of feed? Write briefly its advantages and disadvantages.
- 8) Describe the Phase feeding method of feeding layers.
- 9) Discuss about the feeding of poultry birds in extreme weather conditions.
- 10) Describe the feeding management of duck.