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Dear Sir /Madam,

Sub: Training Program on "**Promotion of Urban Farming through Innovative Models**", during **19-22 August, 2019** at MANAGE, Hyderabad.

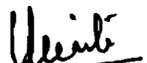
The National Institute of Agricultural Extension Management (MANAGE), an autonomous body under the Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India, is organizing a Training Program on "**Promotion of Urban Farming through Innovative Models**", during **19-22 August, 2019** at MANAGE, Hyderabad. The overall objective of the programme is to expose the participants with the various dimensions of the new emerging practice of 'Urban Farming'. A detailed note regarding the programme is enclosed for kind information.

There is no training fee for the above programme and MANAGE will provide free boarding and lodging to the participants. However, the TA and DA expenses of the participants will have to be met by the concerned department. I request you to kindly **nominate four middle and senior level (men and women) officers** from your department / organization for the above programme. The nominations may please be sent to the undersigned on or before **13th August, 2019**.

Participants **are not allowed to bring their family members** with them to the training program due to limited hostel accommodation at MANAGE.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


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Introduction:

Urban farming is seen as the savior of urban future. On the whole, urban farming is a novel initiative which have been encouraged across the urban areas so as to re-create clean, green and sustainable urban areas in the near future. Urban farming paves the way to nutritional security of the population and assures access to daily sustenance.

People living in urban areas have much less control over the supply and quality of the food they consume as compared to the rural population. Urban agriculture will go a long way in addressing the concerns e.g. Price, quality, fresh produce availability, safe produce etc. to a great extent. It can provide fresh produce to city dwellers without the need for resource intensive transportation, refrigeration and storage facilities, by reducing the time and distance from farm to fork.

Urban agriculture can, in principle have a positive impact on the food security situation of the households that engage in this activity through two main avenues: the income it generates and the direct access to the food which is produced. Urban farming has been found to be particularly helpful for poor women in urban and peri-urban areas as it provides a means for meeting their families' nutritional needs and getting some income.

Urban farming gives a solution to urban dwellers who are constrained with the space in cities / towns. With the given limitation of space, urbanites can still afford to grow their own fresh, chemical-free fruits & vegetables in the balconies, terrace, window silts etc. and have safe and nutritious foods.

The training program on "**Promotion of Urban Farming through Innovative Models**" will enable the participants in getting exposed to the different components, practices and innovative models of urban farming which the participants can promote at individual household level as well as to other urbanites as an innovative model.

Objectives: The main objectives of the program is to-

- Demonstrate various innovative urban farming practices/ models among the participants and
- Popularize Urban Farming concept as a strategy to meet food and nutritional security of urban population

Contents:

Planning for household garden
Model vegetable garden
Different Models of urban gardening (terrace/rooftop, balcony etc.)
Kitchen composting techniques, household composting methods
Bale farming
Microgreens
Hydroponics etc.

Methodology:

The methodology includes group discussions, games, exercises, case studies, films, visits etc. in addition to lectures.

Participants:

Senior and Middle level officers (men and women both) from the State Departments of Agriculture and Allied sectors, Faculty of SAMETIs, Agricultural Universities, Scientists from ICAR and KVKs, Officers of PRIs and Women and Child Welfare Department.