



Vaikunth Mehta National Institute of Cooperative Management (VAMNICOM), Pune
 वैकुंठ मेहता राष्ट्रीय सहकारी प्रबंध संस्थान, पुणे
 (A Grant-in-aid Institution under Ministry of Cooperation, Govt. of India)



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
MARCH 2024
Volume 2 No.8

From Director's Desk



Cooperative Greetings to All !

The institute celebrated International Women's Day on 8th and 9th March to acknowledge the achievements and struggles of women.

A clarion call for achieving prosperity through cooperation, alignment with the advances in technology and prioritizing equitable growth

requires building capacity of the members of directors, members of the cooperatives and professionals to adapt to the changes is a continuous endeavor of VAMNICOM. Through our training programmes we are enabling the stakeholders involved in the cooperative sector to upskill themselves in innovative areas such as cyber security, export process for PACS, NPA & Recovery Management etc.

The institute in collaboration with NCDC recognized the PACS, FPOs, Women Entrepreneurs and Fisheries cooperatives for their significant contribution to foster sustainable development and encourage the cooperative stakeholder's momentum and appreciate their work towards their members and cooperative ecosystem. The Institute also participated in event- 'Tarang: Celebrating Collectivization' organized by NABARD.

The institute also organized Startup-FPO Immersion Programme to provide a networking platform for startups and FPOs in collaboration with NAARM.

A two-day National Level B—fest SPARDHA also commenced with 2000+ registrations from various institutions all over the country. SPARDHA is being organized for many years now and it provides a platform for students to share new ideas and innovations in the field of cooperatives and agribusiness.

The visit of Secretary, Ministry of Cooperation and interaction with students provided the guidance to accelerate progress and the achievement.

Dr. Hema Yadav
Director, VAMNICOM

ABOUT THE INSTITUTE

VAMNICOM, Pune, a National level Apex Co-operative Management Institute under Ministry of Cooperation, Government of India, has been contributing over the years to the Cooperative Movement through its activities viz, Management Training, Management Education, Research & Publication, Consultancy and other related activities. Apart from training programmes, VAMNICOM also takes lead in organizing seminar, workshop and conferences on emerging / innovative areas.

VAMNICOM is adjudged as one of the top sectoral B-Schools in India by various B-Schools Surveys. VAMNICOM has International Memorandum of Understanding with counterpart academic organisations of countries of Malayasia, Thailand, Srilanka, Nepal, Bangladesh for field study exchange programme for students.

TRAINING PROGRAMME SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR 2023-24 (APRIL- MARCH)

During the month of March 2024, the Institute conducted 13 training programmes and trained 399 participants. Thus, the Institute could achieve a total of 273 training programmes with 18,237 participants in the year 2023-2024. It includes Core Programmes, Workshop, Seminar, Sponsored Programmes, WDRA Programmes, Scaling-Up Programmes, Webinar, International Programmes, etc.

Vision of VAMNICOM

To be an intellectual nerve centre for cooperatives, agriculture and rural development

Mission of VAMNICOM

To develop the capacity of key stakeholders through education, training, research and consultancy in cooperation, agriculture, rural development and other related areas

Mandate of VAMNICOM

- 1. Training-** Capacity building and empowering the cooperatives and collectives
- 2. Education :** Fostering and nurturing the managerial and entrepreneurial skill in the budding managers in the area of agri business, cooperation and rural development.
- 3. Consultancy :** Consultancy services for Cooperatives –banking, sugar and dairy or IT implementation, recruitment of qualified professional manpower, defining job responsibilities of manpower in IT departments.
- 4. Research :** Formulate policy to nurture research culture and develop research plans / proposals in the field of agri business, cooperation and rural development.
- 5. Policy support :** Policy support, data collection and analysis and documentation for various programmes and schemes of Ministry and for various cooperatives.

PROGRAMME ON BANK MANAGEMENT & EXPOSURE VISIT OF BOARD MEMBERS & OFFICERS OF ILKAL COOPERATIVE BANK LTD., KARNATAKA AT KEWADIYA& GANDHINAGAR, GUJARAT IN COLLABORATION WITH URICM, GANDHINAGAR (29TH FEBRUARY– 4TH MARCH, 2024)



This programme was conducted in two different places i.e, at Karnataka and Gandhinagar from 29th Feb to 4th March, 2024 in collaboration with URICM, Gandhinagar. In the training programme, the session on Marketing Bank services was delivered by Ms. Namarata Balas, Faculty URICM, Gandhi Nagar. Also a study visit to Gujarat State Cooperative Bank, Gujarat and Nutan Urban Co-Op Bank, Ahmedabad was organized. Dr. Y.S. Patil, Associate Professor, VAMNICOM as well as Coordinator of the programme delivered sessions on Bank Management –

TRAINING PROGRAMMES

Issues & challenges, IT Implementation- Review of Present Status & strategy for technology change over IT & Cyber Security. In all 14 Board Members attended the programme.

The importance of the programme is to make aware of need for marketing of banking services & products and to assess the present status of computerization of the bank.

ONLINE TRAINING PROGRAMME ON EXPORT PROCESS FOR PACS OF SHEHOR, MADHYA PRADESH (5-7 MARCH, 2024)

Online training programme on Export Process was organised for PACS of Shehor District of Madhya Pradesh during 5-7 March 2024. Secretaries of 30 PACS participated in this training programme. The objectives of this training programme were to enable the cooperatives to understand the various export processes and to enable the cooperatives to understand the various agencies involved in exports. The institute had lined up internal faculty as well as external faculty to guide the participants to export agriculture and horticulture produce from Madhya Pradesh. Shehor is famous for the production of Sarbati Wheat so the focus was on the export of wheat. At the end of the training programme participants become aware of the export process, export documentation and various agencies involved in export.

STARTUP-FPO IMMERSION PROGRAMME (2ND MARCH, 2024)



initiate a business transaction between Startups and FPOs either by selling products/services to FPOs or by procuring raw materials from the FPOs and farmers.

The programme was inaugurated by Dr.Pradip Parate-GM NABARD,PuneMHRO in august presence of Mr. Yogesh Thorat, MD, MAHAFPC, Pune, Dr. S.K.Roy, Director, ATARI, Pune, Dr. G. Venkateshwarlu, Joint Director, ICAR-NAARM, Hyderabad, Dr. S. Senthil Vinayagam, CEO, aIDEA, ICAR-NAARM, Hyderabad, Dr. Rajeev Kale, Scientist, NRC, Onion and Garlic, Pune and Ram Dutta, Principal Scientist, NRC, Onion and Garlic, Pune.

VAMNICOM, Pune in collaboration with a-IDEA, ICAR-NAARM, Hyderabad and NABARD organized Startup-FPO Immersion Programme on 2nd March, 2024 at the Institute.The objective of the programme is to provide a networking platform for startups and FPOs. A series of pitching about the technologies, products and services will be made by the startups in front of FPO stakeholders. Further, startups will be Immersed with FPOs and Farmers with the objective to

Dr. S. Senthil Vinayagam CEO, aIDEA, ICAR-NAARM, Hyderabad gave the welcome address. While addressing, Dr.PradipParate GM NABARD, Pune, MHRO explained about the need and necessary outlook where FPOs and Startups must work together with necessary production and market linkage model which will enrich the business activities and generate sustainable income source to both the entities. The coordinator of the programme Prof. Dr. Prashant Kadam, proposed Vote of Thanks.



The programme was attended by 21 Startups incubated by a-IDEA, NAARM, Hyderabad and VAMNICOM; 38 FPOs and Collectives members and BODs from Maharashtra State hand held by NABARD.

ONLINE TRAINING PROGRAMME ON EXPORT PROCESS FOR PACS OF AHMEDABAD, GUJARAT (11-13 MARCH, 2024)

An online training programme on Export Process was organised for PACS of Ahmedabad District of Gujarat during 11-13 March 2024. Secretaries of 30 PACS participated in this training programme. The objectives of this training programme were to enable the cooperatives to understand the various agencies involved in exports and also to enable the cooperatives to understand the various export processes. The institute had arranged internal faculty as well as external faculty to guide the participants to export agriculture and horticulture produce from Gujarat. Ahmedabad is famous for the production of Bhilia Wheat which has a GI tag so focus was on the export of wheat as well export of groundnut, cotton, and cumin from Gujarat. At the end of the training programme, participants become aware of export process, export documentation and various agencies involved in export.

'TARANG: CELEBRATING COLLECTIVIZATION' FPO MELAS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ONDC AND SFAC, NEW DELHI (11-13 MARCH 2024)

NABARD in partnership with SFAC & ONDC, conducted Tarang, FPO Mela, a celebration of collectivization PAN India across 50 locations in the country.



These FPO mela was organized in Maharashtra State in Pune which showcased the innovative products of FPOs/FPCs. The objective is to provide marketing avenues and uplift the sales of FPOs/OFPOs with the help of ONDC network.

Director, VAMNICOM, Dr. Hema Yadav, was the Chief Guest of the Valedictory Function of the Programme. Director, VAMNICOM in her valedictory speech guided the FPOs regarding marketing attributes, branding and got to market strategies, she further spoke on the digital marketing platforms like ONDC which are giving surplus marketing and business opportunities to explore innovative products of the collectives. FPOs with good products and services were felicitated by Director, VAMNICOM and CGM, NABARD, Rashmi Darad.

EMPOWERING FPO/FPC DIRECTORS: WAREHOUSE CONSTRUCTION & MANAGEMENT TRAINING (11-15 & 18-22 MARCH, 2024)

Conducted two 5-days Training programmes on "Warehouse Construction and Management for Farmer Producer Organizations (FPO/FPC)" at VAMNICOM for FPO/FPC/SHG Directors. The programme was supported by Nanaji Deshmukh Krishi Sanjivani Project (PoCRA). The programme was inaugurated by Dr. Hema Yadav, Director-VAMNICOM.

The participants of these two programmes were engaged

comprehensive program comprising 17 technical sessions.

Topics ranged from warehouse construction to e-NWR issuing processes, procurement strategies, and financial management. Noteworthy sessions also covered scientific storage sustainability, marketing strategies, and forward-backward linkages in the agricultural value chain. An exposure visits to the MSWC godown in Pune provided practical insights into warehouse management, enriching the learning experience. With 73 FPOs/FPCs and SHGs represented from various districts of Maharashtra, the training facilitated vibrant discussions and knowledge exchange. Dr. Pallavi Ingale, Associate Professor coordinated the programme.



Group Photo of FPO/ FPC Directors- 18-22 March, 2024

Group Photo of FPO/ FPC Directors- 11-15 March, 2024

REGIONAL AWARD DISTRIBUTION CEREMONY FOR COOPERATIVE EXCELLENCE AND MERIT IN COOPERATIVE SECTOR IN COLLABORATION WITH NCDC (13TH MARCH, 2024)



VAMNICOM, Pune in collaboration with the National Council for Development and Cooperation (NCDC), a leading organization dedicated to fostering sustainable development and positive social change, organized Regional Awards distribution ceremony for Cooperative Excellence and Merit in Cooperative Sector at Institute premises on March 13, 2024.

Through collaborative efforts and innovative initiatives, NCDC strives to empower individuals and communities to thrive and prosper. The awards were given to PACS, FPOs, Women Entrepreneurs and Fisheries cooperatives in the presence of Lt. Col. Vinit Narayan, Regional Director, NCDC, Mr. Shrtikrishna Wadekar, Addl. Registrar, Govt. of Maharashtra, Dr. Hema Yadav, VAMNICOM, Pune and Shri. R. K. Menon, Registrar, VAMNICOM. The objective of the programme was to encourage the cooperative stakeholder’s momentum and appreciate their work towards their members and cooperative ecosystem.

One of the remarkable voices at the event was Dr. Hema Yadav, Director VAMNICOM; Pune who graced the

occasion as the Chief Guest. Dr. Yadav delivered an insightful address highlighting the pivotal role of cooperatives in fostering sustainable development and empowering communities. She emphasized the importance of governance, management and business outlook in cooperatives which can be enhanced through capacity building and deriving the cooperatives into successful enterprises. Mr. Shrtikrishna Wadekar Addl. Registrar, Govt. of Maharashtra emphasized the synergy between NCDC’s initiatives and the objectives of the Ministry of Cooperation, aimed at enhancing the institutional framework, promoting cooperative entrepreneurship, and ensuring the welfare of cooperative members. Moreover, Wadekar elaborated on the alignment of the National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) with the Ministry of Cooperation and its overarching mission to promote cooperative development nationwide.

In total 120 FPOs, PACS and collectives BoDs and members participated in the award ceremony from all over Maharashtra State. This esteemed event celebrated the outstanding achievements of cooperatives in driving economic growth, community development, and the promotion of cooperative values.

PROGRAMME ON CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS, EMERGING BANKING CHALLENGES AND BASICS OF KYC, AML (13TH MARCH, 2024)



As per the guidelines of the Reserve Bank of India, strengthen cyber security in the bank. To comply with RBI guidelines, there is a need to sensitize Cyber security to all the levels of Management viz top level, middle level & operational level. Besides every Cooperative Bank has to focus on marketing & optimum utilization of digital delivery channels and also appraise new and important KYC & AML.



The programme was exclusively planned for Board Members and Officers of Apna Sahakari Bank of Mumbai. In total 31 participants attended the programme.

The programme was inaugurated by Shri Dattaram Anant Chalke, Chairman Emeritus of Apna Sahakari Bank in the presence of Shri Avinash Pandharinath Sarfare, Chairman and Shri Rajan Nagesh Hombalkar, Chief Executive Officer of the bank. The session on Cyber Security challenges before UCB's was delivered Dr. Y.S. Patil, Programme Coordinator as well as Associate Professor. The recent cyber attacks & its implications in cooperative banking sector were also discussed and bank needs to study the recent cyber attacks and frauds of handling of such attacks that the happening of said attacks can be protected.

PROGRAMME ON GODOWN CONSTRUCTION AND MANAGEMENT FOR WOMEN FPO /FPC DIRECTORS (13-15 MARCH 2024)



With the support of the Balasaheb Thackeray Agribusiness & Rural Transformation (SMART) Project and the Maharashtra State Warehousing Corporation (MSWC), the Institute organized a 3 days training program on Godown Construction and Management for Women FPO/FPC Directors from March 13th to 15th 2024. 38 members from Women FPOs/FPCs representing Dhule, Jalgaon, Nashik, Solapur, Pune, Ahmednagar, Dharashiv, Jalana, Amravati, Hingoli, and Ch. Sambhajinagar Districts participated in this programme.

The participants were exposed to a wide range of topics covering MSWC & Warehouse Registration and Rules in collaboration with the Warehouse Development and Regulatory Authority (WDRA), the WDRA registration process, the construction of warehouses including site selection, the e-NWR issuing process, the handling of Transferable and Non-transferable receipts, the procurement process for godown construction, Agri Value Chain and Supply Chain Management, Financial Management tailored for Farmer Producer Organizations, Social and Environmental Action planning, sustainability and environmental considerations in warehouse business, effective record-keeping practices for warehouse operations, implementing scientific storage systems, conducting store grain sampling processes, and strategies for marketing and branding specifically aimed at Farmer Producer Organizations.

ONLINE TRAINING PROGRAMME ON EXPORT PROCESS FOR PACS OF KOLHAPUR, MAHARASHTRA (14-16 MARCH, 2024)

The online training programme on Export Process was organised for PACS of Shehor District of Madhya Pradesh during 14-16 March 2024. Secretaries of 28 PACS participated in this training programme. The objectives of this training programme were to enable the cooperatives to understand the various export processes and to enable the cooperatives to understand the various agencies involved in exports.

Institute had lined up Dr.A. K. Asthana, Coordinator, Dr Amit Borkar, Co-Coordinator as well as external faculty Mr. Digambar Sable, Ms K. D. Sushma and Mr Govind Handeto guide the participants to export agriculture and horticulture produce from the Kolhapur. Kolhapur is famous for its production of grape, pomegranate and Raisen. So focus was on the export of horticulture produce from Kolhapur. At the end of the training programme participants become aware of export process, export documentation and various agencies involved in export.

PROGRAMME ON MANAGEMENT OF COOPERATIVE CREDIT SOCIETIES (16-17 MARCH, 2024)



Two days training programme on Management of Cooperative Credit Societies was conducted at the Institute for the Board of Directors & Employees of BARC Employees Cooperative Credit Society Ltd., Mumbai on 16th & 17th March, 2024 under the coordinationship of Dr. Y S Patil, Associate Professor. In total 32 participant attended the programme.

The need based programme was planned to sensitize the newly elected Board Members of the Society & also staff of the society on various subjects related to Management of credit society. Due to the uniqueness for its functioning the important topics provided insights to the participants to update their knowledge on the subject matter which in turn facilitated for better management of credit society.

PROGRAMME ON EFFICIENT MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS OF DAIRY BUSINESS ACTIVITY (18-20 MARCH, 2024)

The training programme on “Efficient Management and Operations of dairy business activity” was conducted at VAMNICOM campus from 08th to 20th March, 2024 in collaboration with BIRD Lucknow. This programme was coordinated by Shri. T. G. Shadakshari, Assistant Professor and 21 Board of Directors of Primary Dairy Society attended



this programme from Maharashtra State. The Director Dr. Hema Yadav inaugurated this programme in the presence of Shri. Limye M G, Managing Director, Katraj Dairy, Pune, and Shri. Nikhil Kumar, DGM, BIRD Lucknow. The programme emphasis is on good governance and professional management at all levels of the value chain of the milk business with necessary skill and knowledge to manage their cooperative institutions effectively.

The main objectives of the programme are Identify the challenges, including the growing competition, being faced by dairy cooperatives and formulate strategies to counter them through good governance and professional management.

ONLINE TRAINING PROGRAMME ON EXPORT PROCESS FOR PACS OF BIHAR AND MADHYA PRADESH (18-20 MARCH 2024)

The online training programme on Export Process was organised for PACS of Madhya Pradesh and Bihar during 18-20 March 2024. Secretaries of 12 PACS participated in this training programme. The objectives of this training programme was to enable the cooperatives to understand the various export processes and to enable the cooperatives to understand the various agencies involved in exports. The institute had lined up Dr A. K. Asthana as internal faculty and Dr. Praveen Jadav, Dr. Hastimal Sagara and Mr. Govind Hande as external faculty to guide the participants to export agriculture and horticulture produce from Madhya Pradesh and Bihar. At the end of the training programme participants become aware of export process, export documentation and various agencies involved in export.

TRAINING PROGRAMME ON GODOWN CONSTRUCTION AND MANAGEMENT FOR FPO’S /FPC’S DIRECTORS (18-21MARCH 2024)

With the support of Balasaheb Thackeray Agribusiness & Rural Transformation (SMART) Project and Maharashtra State Warehousing Corporation (MSWC), the Institute conducted 4 days training program on Godown Construction and Management for Women FPO /FPC Directors from 18th to 21st March 2024. 40 FPO’s /FPC’s members from Latur, Yevatmal, Washim, Buldhana, Nagpur, Amravati Districts participated in this programme.



Participants were exposed to a diverse range of topics, including MSWC & Warehouse Registration and Rules with Warehouse Development and Regulatory Authority (WDRA), WDRA registration process, Construction of warehouses- Selection of Location, e-NWR issuing process, Transferable and Non-transferable receipts, Procurement process for construction of godown, Agri Value Chain and Supply Chain Management, Financial Management for Farmer Producer Organization, Social and Environmental Action plan, Sustainability and Environment in Warehouse Business,

Record keeping for Warehouse business, Scientific Storage system, Store grain Sampling process, Marketing and Branding for Farmer Producer Organization etc.

ONLINE PROGRAMME ON NPA & RECOVERY MANAGEMENT (20-22 MARCH 2024)

Programme on NPA & Recovery Management for Recovery Officers & Branch Managers of the Member Banks in collaboration with The Brihan Mumbai Nagari Sahakari Banks Associate Ltd., Mumbai was conducted through online during 20-22 March 2024 under the coordination of Dr. Y S Patil, Associate Professor. In total 29 participants attended the programme. As per the RBI guidelines the officers also required to have training inputs for undertaking recovery. Further the bank has to undertake special recovery drive during last quarter of financial year during January-March & therefore the knowledge on legal provisions under various Sections is a must & also knowledge on practical approach to be adopted by the Recovery Officer & therefore organization of exclusive focused training programme on recovery management with practical inputs plays an important role in achieving timely recovery of the loan disbursed to the customers & to be within the upper limit for NPA percentage i.e gross NPA below 5%.

INTERNATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMME ON SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE AND SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE RURAL FINANCING (24 –29 MARCH, 2024)



International Programme on “Sustainable Agriculture and Socially Responsible Rural Financing” was organised at Bangladesh Bank Training Academy, Mirpur-2, Dhaka during 24 –29 March, 2024 in collaboration with Bangladesh Bank Training Academy, The Co-Operative Credit Union League of Bangladesh Ltd and CICTAB of VAMNICOM Pune. The programme was inaugurated by Md. Zulkar Nayn, Executive Director, BBTA in the presence of Mst. Fashmida Sultana, Vice Chairman, CCULB; Md. Moinul Haque Chowdhury, GM, MILKVITA; Dr. D. Ravi, Consultant, CICTAB; A.K.M. Rezaul Karim, Director, BBTA.

Total 29 participants from Nepal- NRB (1), NEFSCUN (1), NCF (2), India-NABARD Mumbai (2), NCDC New Delhi (1), Sir Lanka - NCC (1), SANASA Federation (1) and Bangladesh 20 were participated in the programme.

To fulfill the programme objectives the sessions on following topics were arranged. Agricultural Financing and Role of

Cooperatives for Sustainable Rural Economic Development in India, Smart Agriculture and SME for Sustainable Rural Economy, Agricultural and Rural Finance Mechanism of the Central Bank in Bangladesh, Role of Alternative Delivery Channels to Provide Credit to Rural Farmers for Enhancing Financial Inclusion, Access to Finance for Smallholder Farmers: Challenges and Opportunities, Sustainable finance policy initiatives and Bangladesh scenario, Roles of CCULB in credit union movement as well as cooperative financing on Bangladesh, Agricultural Financing & Rural Development: The Concept of SHGs / JLGs - Indian Experience, Planning of training programme and application of suitable techniques for its implementation, Milk Vita: A pioneer of an agricultural cooperative in sustainable dairying.

Integrating sustainable agriculture with socially responsible rural financing can create synergies that benefit both farmers and the environment. Financial institutions, policymakers, development agencies, and agricultural stakeholders play crucial roles in promoting these interconnected goals and fostering sustainable rural development. The main objectives of the programme are :

- (i) To sensitize the participants to the concept of sustainable agriculture with socially responsible rural financing
- (ii) To create awareness on sustainable agriculture with socially responsible rural financing which can create synergies that benefit both farmers and the environment.

WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION (08 MARCH, 2024)



On March 8th 2024, VAMNICOM celebrated International Women's Day with a spirited celebration, bringing together the Director, Registrar, Faculty Members, and Staff in a joyous and reflective atmosphere. The main point of the event was the commemoration of women's achievements and the acknowledgment of their enduring struggles. The Director, in her opening address focused on the theme of International Women's Day - 'Invest in Women: Accelerate Growth.' She discussed with VAMNICOM staff about supporting and empowering women.

On this occasion, institute gave an opportunity for the talented VAMNICOM staff to showcase their diverse skills. The event featured captivating performances, including singing, poetry reading, and dance, highlighting the rich talents within the VAMNICOM staff.

Dr. Pallavi Ingale, Associate Professor expressed heartfelt gratitude to all attendees for their enthusiastic participation, making the International Women's Day celebration a booming success.

The VAMNICOM event celebrates women's contributions and promotes gender-inclusive growth.



FOLLOWING ARE THE EVENTS WHERE DR. HEMA YADAV, DIRECTOR-VAMNICOM WAS HONOURED AS PART OF WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION



Dr. Hema Yadav, Director receiving 'Adishakti Puraskar' from Cosmos Cooperative Bank for exemplary leadership and work on the occasion of International Women's Day.



Dr. Hema Yadav, Director-VAMNICOM gracing the occasion along with some other amazing women across different segments as part of International Women's Day celebration organized by Chaitanya Foundation and Forbes Marshall at Pune.

Honouring Dr. Hema Yadav, Director, VAMNICOM who was invited as the Chief Guest on the occasion of International Women's Day celebration by NABARD, Pune. Women based SHGs and FPOs promoted by NABARD showcased their products and also shared their stories during the programme.



VISIT OF SECRETARY TO GOI MINISTRY OF COOPERATION (28TH MARCH 2024)



Dr. Ashish Kumar Bhutani, IAS, Secretary to GoI, Ministry of Cooperation, visited VAMNICOM on 28th March, 2024. Director and Faculty Members gave a warm welcome to him. He visited all the Centres of the Institute and interacted with the Faculty Members on the various insights and working of the Institute.

NATIONAL LEVEL B—FEST ‘SPARDHA 2024- DHRITI’ (27-28 MARCH,2024)



A National Level B—fest “SPARDHA 2024” at VAMNICOM was held at VAMNICOM on 27th & 28th March, 2024. The Theme of this event was DHRITI - "Unwavering Spirits". Dr. Tarun Agarwal, Director, National Insurance Academy and Dr. Hema Yadav, Director VAMNICOM graced the inauguration ceremony. On this occasion VAMNICOM inspired the students through her welcome address. She guided the students for enhancing their managerial effectiveness by organizing such event. Shri. R K Menon, Registrar, VAMNICOM proposed vote of thanks.

In SPARDHA-24, more than 150 Students from 11 States had participated in different 13 events. Under SPARDHA-24, there are thirteen different events i.e., Business Quiz, Best Manager, Business Plan, Debate, Brain Crusade, Coopathon, Painting, Financial Analyst, Singing/Dancing, Treasure Hunt, Short Ad Film, Photography and Online Stock trading, proposed for the participants.

This event was graced by the sponsors of the programme and delegates from Bharat Rath , Dainik Bhaska, Cooperatives and Corporates.



The Valediction and Prize Distribution of SPARDHA 2024 was graced by Dr. Ashish Kumar Bhutani, IAS, Secretary to GoI, Ministry of Cooperation & Dr. Parag Kalkar, Pro Vice Chancellor, Savitribai Phule Pune University. Trophies and certificates were awarded to the SPARDHA participants during this occasion.

Dr. Ashish Kumar Bhutani, during his speech, motivated the students and youths who have come from different States and participated in the event. He encouraged the students to be a part of the cooperative sector and work for the people at the grass root level.

Dr. Parag Kalkar expressed delight at the participation of students from diverse states and had proved their talent. He briefed that to become the best manager entails undergoing a rigorous process and achieving excellence on field.

PUBLICATION BY FACULTY MEMEBRS

Sr. No.	Faculty Name	Title of the Research Paper/ Article/ Case Study	Name of the Journal/ Magazine/ Newspaper
1	Dr. Sangeeta Shroff, Professor Dr. Rohini Vilhekar, Research Officer	महिलांच बदलतील शेती- ग्रामविकासाचा चेहरा	Agrowon Published on 8 th March, 2024
2	Dr. Dr. Rohini Vilhekar, Research Officer	सहकार से प्रमाणित बीज प्रबंधन की पहल	Sahakar Uday, Issue: March 2024

TRAINING ACHIEVEMENT FROM 1ST APRIL 2023 TO 31ST MARCH 2024 (YEAR : 2023-24)

Sr. No.	Month	No. of Programmes Conducted	No. of Participants Trained
1	April 2023	4	151
2	May 2023	7	188
3	June 2023	17	1740
4	July 2023	25	1138
5	August 2023	22	867
6	September 2023	35	1432
7	October 2023	21	1200
8	November 2023	28	2517
9	December 2023	33	3817
10	January 2024	21	1243
11	February 2024	47	3545
12	March 2024	13	399
TOTAL		273	18237
The above figure includes 115 Scaling-up Programmes with 10,558 participants			

Training Proposals for Cooperatives

Please check our Annual Training Calendar 2024-25.

We invite training proposals for Board Members,
Officers, employees and Members of PACS.

The proposals may be sent by email to registrar@vamnicom.gov.in

Get Social



www.vamnicom.gov.in



[/vamnicom.pune.92](https://www.facebook.com/vamnicom.pune.92)



[/vamnicom.pune](https://www.instagram.com/vamnicom.pune)



[/VAMNICOM_Pune](https://twitter.com/VAMNICOM_Pune)



[/vamnicomoutreach594](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...)