

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Q: Why a Certificate Course in any of the above chosen field?

Ans: Rural development initiatives are the prime mover of the overall development of nation, rural economy largely depends on developmental initiatives across sectors, most of the central, state, donor and corporate sponsored and or funded initiatives suffer due to lack of quality and trained human resources, especially at grassroots level. Urban youth, opting for rural development jobs gets into attrition mode quickly leaving the unfinished assignments lurching for human resources. Educated unemployed rural youth on the other hand does not get employment at local level. These courses would help acquire proficiency in one of the chose specific field and equip the incumbent with required skill set, information and new knowledge with right attitude to serve rural communities.

2. Q: Why School of Rural Management, National Livelihood Resources Institute, Gramin Vikas Trust?

Ans: **Gramin Vikas Trust** is incorporated by world’ second largest fertilizer cooperative “**Krishak Bharti Cooperative Limited**” with an objective to serve rural communities across the nation, GVT has over 2 decades of a experience developing, innovating, piloting and implementing many complex and diverse cross – sectoral projects. GVT has mooted an independent semi – academic institution “National Livelihood Resources Institute”, pioneering in ASK Model of capacity building. The School of rural Management within NLRI – GVT provides state – of – art courseware designed by the sector’ most experienced and expert with assurance of appropriate didactic and rightly chosen pedagogy.

3. Q: Where is the SRM, NLRI situated?

Ans: School of Rural Management (SRM), National Livelihood Resources Institute (NLRI) is situated in Ratlam district of Madhya Pradesh on Jaora Road about 22 km from Ratlam town on the left bank of local River *Maleni*.

4. Q: How one can reach there?

Ans: Ratlam is situated on the main trunk line of Indian Railways between Delhi and Mumbai, most Delhi or Mumbai trains bound trains stops at Ratlam junction providing choice for the distant travelers. By road one can reach Ratlam via Indore, Ujjain, Mandsour or Banswara. All local Jaora and Mandsour bound buses stops at SRM, NLRI Institute main entrance.

5. Q: What are the future employment prospects if I qualify this Certificate Course?

Ans: There are number of avenues / opportunities available for meaningful engagement in rural development sector through various programs, projects, agencies, Civil Society Organizations, Non – Governmental Organizations, Corporate, Cooperatives, Private and public owned institutions and individual efforts across sector. For more detail refer table at **Annex -A**

6. Q: Is there any placement facilitation for the out – going or qualifying students?

Ans: The SRM, NLRI puts in efforts for meaningful placement through a variety of strategies including the Employers visits to campus, Employer Workshops, campus placement drive and tele – interviews etc...Each course has a **time bound campus placement initiative coordinated by a senior members of the Faculty Team of the SRM, NLRI.**

7. Q: What kind of remunerations I could get if I qualify any of these courses?

Ans: The remuneration would largely depend on the proficiency acquired on the subject course opted and the level at which the agency recruits the incumbent. The initial remunerations would depend on individual performance and personal capabilities, performance in the group discussions, personal interviews etc... **The course assures the entry level employment in the sector.**

8. Q: What are the Quality Standards of the Course Delivery?

Ans: The contemporary courseware duly approved by the academic experts in the field of Rural Development working at SRM, NLRI and KSRM, KIIT University, Bhubaneswar, Organization Traineeship Segment (OTS) with expert development agencies, course delivery by the internal, adjunct and practicing faculties from across the sector, Stringent examination system, sessional and practical, field work, seminars and reporting to make the learning complete in all respect. The Institute is an ISO 9001:2008 Certified Institution dealing the course of higher learning.

9. Q: Who Certifies the Quality and is there any approval from the Authentic Academic Institution?

Ans: Kalinga School of Rural Management (KSRM) a constituent Institute of **KIIT University, Bhubaneshwar** under a Memorandum of Understanding between GVT-SRM, NLRI Certifies the Course, keeps the quality control of Courseware and monitors the course delivery. **KIIT University is an approved by UGC under section 3 with A++ ranking among Private Universities of the Country.**

10. Q: How different are these courses say “Course of Rural Engineers” from other courses available in market?

Ans: The practical orientation, course delivery by the expert faculties with long standing practical experience in the field of Rural Development “say Agriculture Experts,

Watershed Engineers, Foresters, Horticulturists, Livestock Experts and Social and Gender Development Experts” provides insights into the intricacies of the subjects, provides hands – on practical training and skill set development, attachment and exposure to real life field situations and incumbent undergoes a makeover in the chosen sector under the supervision of the expert hands.

11. Q: What is the minimum eligibility required for opting any of these courses?

Ans: Graduate (Regular or Private) in any discipline from a recognized University or Institute of repute.

12. Q: Is there any age bar applicable for admission to any of these courses?

Ans: Minimum 18 year.

13. Q: How Rural Youth would be benefitted by this course?

Ans: On successful completion of Certificate Course Rural Youth may get an opportunity to expose in a competitive environment within the sector. The incumbent would get an opportunity to hone the skills, acquire new skills, achieve and update new and upcoming information, transform the information in to knowledge and test, pilot, innovate and demonstrate the effectiveness and efficiency through interpersonal and inter – institutional communications using a channel mix. A meaningful engagement and long term livelihood may await post completion of the Certificate Course.

14. Q: Why are we canvassing these courses through different departments and agencies?

Ans: The rural development initiatives managed by a plethora of agencies, programs and projects, many of these initiatives are steered, managed, monitored or funded by you or your agency, program, projects. Many of these functions suffer at grassroot due to lack of adequately trained and proficient field staff. Your cooperation, support and help through various means like scouting for the right rural youth, dissemination of the information, sponsorship and handholding during and after the completion of the certificate course would facilitate you getting the right choice for right human resources for the right job.

15. Q: How I or my Institution can support you?

Ans: You or your institution may organize workshops / attend the on campus workshops, provide infrastructural support to hold events, indentify rural youth, sponsor them, and provide expert input in re-tailoring the courseware, providing adjunct faculty, provide OTS opportunities, engage the certificate holder in the assignment / opportunities available with you on long term basis, participate in campus recruitments etc....

16. Q: What kind of fee structure is applicable and why there is a difference in fee among different courses?

Ans: Please refer Course Brochure for the fee details. The difference in the fee is on account of the intellectual quality, technicality of the course, practical orientation, number of adjunct faculties involved in the course and OT Segment.

17. Q: Is there any loan option available, if so who and how one would get access to such facility?

Ans: Number of options would be available to the eligible students on the terms and conditions as per the existing practices of the banks. SRM, NLRI may provide necessary documents fulfilling the guidelines and the requirements to worthy students opting for the loan.

18. Q: What would be the mode of payment of the fee and is there any split payment facility available?

Ans: The fee payable would be either cash paid at the accounts department of the SRM, NLRI or through Draft in favor of “Gramin Vikas Trust – NLRI” payable at Ratlam, MP.

19. Q: Is there any residential facility available, if yes, what would be the lodging, boarding and conveyance facility available, if so are these paid facilities?

Ans: The students may opt for residential facilities; such students may be given accommodation on first come first serve basis in own campus or hired campus. The Institute provides lodging, boarding and conveyance on reasonable payment basis. The fee structure includes 2 sections (1) Academic Fee (2) Residential Fee.

20. Q: Is there any sponsorship available if so who can get such sponsorship?

Ans: The SRM, NLRI is striving to gain the sponsorship of EWS students from various agencies, this is not a condition obligatory on the part of SRM, NLRI, however, on availability and following the eligibility criteria of the sponsoring agency / ies, the same may be recommended to qualifying students as per norms.

21. Q: What is the course duration / course plan?

Ans: All Certificate Course approved by KSRM, KIIT University are of three month duration with 2 week OTS. The Course Plan and other details may be obtained from the Course Brochure or can be downloaded from the website www.nlri-gvt.ac.in or www.gvtindia.org

22. Q: What kind of faculties would be teaching me?

Ans: A multidisciplinary team of practicing development professionals with flare for the academics of rural development in their respective area of expertise would be teaching using appropriate didactic and pedagogy. Please visit the website for the faculty details and the quality of courseware and teaching – learning strategies.

23. Q: What would be the medium and mode of teaching?

Ans: The medium of instruction would be in vernacular *Hindi* with occasional use of English language wherever situation warrants. Students would be encouraged to attend the Language Lab to improve upon the linguistic proficiency.

24. Q: What would be the practical orientation opportunities available for me?

Ans: An Organization Traineeship Segment of 2 weeks to expose the students with real time field situation in conjunction with a regular practical session and project work etc... as course plan would be administered during the entire course. In general a ratio of 60% theory and 40% practical is maintained while designing the courseware.