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Abbreviations:

AIQ	All India Quota
AU	Agricultural Universities
AMU	Aligarh Muslim University
BHU	Banaras Hindu University
CAU	Central Agricultural University
CIFE	Central Institute of Fisheries Education
CU	Central University
CUET	Common University Entrance Test
DARE	Department of Agricultural Research and Education
Dr. RPCAU	Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University
DU	Deemed University
EWS	Economically Weaker Section
IARI	Indian Agricultural Research Institute
ICAR	Indian Council of Agricultural Research
IVRI	Indian Veterinary Research Institute
JRF	Junior Research Fellowship
NAEAB	National Agricultural Education Accreditation Board
NAREES	National Agricultural Research, Education and Extension System
NDRI	National Dairy Research Institute
OGPA	Overall Grade Point Average
PwBD	Persons with Benchmark Disability
RLB CAU	Rani Lakshmi Bai Central Agricultural University
SAU	State Agricultural University
SRF	Senior Research Fellowship

CHAPTER-1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 About NTA

The Ministry of Education, Government of India (GOI), has established the National Testing Agency (NTA) as an independent autonomous and self-sustained premier testing organization under Society Registration Act, 1860 for conducting efficient, transparent and international standards tests in order to assess the competency of candidates for admissions to premier higher education institutions.

The objectives of NTA, *inter-alia*, include:

- i. To conduct efficient, transparent and international standard tests in order to assess the competency of candidates for admission.
- ii. To undertake research on educational, professional and testing system to identify gaps in the knowledge systems and take steps for bridging them.
- iii. To produce and disseminate information and research on education and professional development standards.

The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has entrusted the responsibility of conducting All India Competitive Examinations for admission to Bachelor (ICAR-UG), Masters (PG) & Doctoral (Ph.D.) Courses in Agricultural Universities (AUs) and award of **scholarships and fellowships**, to the NTA from 2019 onwards.

1.2 About ICAR

The ICAR is the Apex Body for coordinating, guiding, and managing research and education in agriculture in the entire country under the aegis of Department of Agricultural Research and Education (DARE), Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare. Considering the importance of agricultural education, the University Education Commission (1948) chaired by Dr. S. Radhakrishnan recommended the establishment of Rural Universities in the country. As a result, the first State Agricultural University (SAU) was established in 1960 at Pantnagar on the pattern of the Land Grant Colleges of the United States.

The ICAR-AU System of India has 75 Agricultural Universities comprising 64 State Agricultural, Veterinary, Horticultural and Fisheries Universities (SAUs), 4 ICAR-DUs, viz. IARI, IVRI, NNDRI and CIFE, 3 Central Agricultural Universities (CAU, Imphal, Dr. RPCAU, Pusa and RLBCAU, Jhansi), 4 Central Universities (CU) having Faculty of Agriculture (BHU, AMU, Viswa Bharati and Nagaland University). The National Agricultural Research, Education and Extension System (NAREES) of India is one of the largest in the world, admitting more than 28,000 students at UG level and over 17,500 students at Master's and Doctoral level annually, in different disciplines of Agricultural and Allied Sciences.

During 2022-23, against the total of 4285 Seats, 3846 candidates were recommended by ICAR for admission to accredited Bachelor degree programmes in 61 accredited AUs under the ICAR-AU system.

1.3 CUET (ICAR-UG)-2023

In 2023, All India Entrance Examination for Admission, CUET (ICAR-UG) shall be conducted for admission to Bachelor Degree programmes in Agriculture and Allied Sciences (other than Veterinary Sciences), at Agricultural Universities on 15/20% of the University seats [100% seats in RLBCAU Jhansi, NDRI Karnal, IARI New Delhi and its Hubs (Karnal-IIWBR, Patna-RCER, Umiam-RCNEH, Kolkata-CRIJAF, Cuttack-NRRI, Ranchi-IIAB, Hyderabad-IIRR, Nagpur - CICR, Bhopal-CIAE, Baramati-NIASM, Lucknow-IISR, Jharkhand-IARI, Assam-IARI, Raipur-NIBSM) and Dr. RPCAU Pusa, Bihar].

The CUET (ICAR-UG)-2023 Examination for the Academic Session 2023-24 will be conducted at centers/cities identified and finalized by NTA, all over the country, enabling participation of a large number of candidates seeking admission in Bachelor degree programmes in accredited AUs in different disciplines/programs.

Candidates declared eligible for registration and choice filling for counselling by ICAR will only be considered for allocation of program/subject and the Agricultural University.

There is no provision of direct nomination for admission through ICAR in any Bachelor degree programme without qualifying in CUET (ICAR-UG)-2023.

To align with New Education Policy (NEP 2020) and reduce the burden on students for appearing in multiple entrance examination for admissions in AUs, ICAR took an initiative and asked for the consent of AUs if they wish to utilize the NTA scores for UG admissions. During academic session 2022-23, the list of AUs which had expressed their willingness/ utilized NTA scores is given at APPENDIX-I.

NOTE

- Ragging in the Universities, in any form, has been strictly banned and is a criminal offence. Before applying, all the candidates are advised to study in detail the **UGC Regulations on Curbing the Menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009** (<https://www.ugc.ac.in/oldpdf/ragging/gazetaug2010.pdf>).
- Ragging is totally prohibited in the institutions, and anyone found guilty of ragging and/or abetting ragging, whether actively or passively, or being a part of a conspiracy to promote ragging, is liable to be punished in accordance with these Regulations as well as under the provisions of any penal law for the time being in force.
- Every student studying in the institution and his/her parents/guardians shall be required to provide the specific affidavits in accordance with clauses (d), (e) and (g) of Regulation 6.1 of these Regulations at the time of admission or registration, as the case may be, during each academic year.
- The candidates are advised to contact Anti-Ragging Committee/Cell of the admitting institution for further information in this regard. They may visit ICAR's Agricultural Education Portal (<https://education.icar.gov.in/>) to reach the website of the Agricultural University/Institution of their interest for more information.

CHAPTER-2 GENERAL INFORMATION

2.1 Degree Programmes available for Admission in 2023-24.

During academic session 2023-24, admission to **11 Bachelor degree programmes of four years duration** is available to Indian Nationals based on the merit-rank in CUET (ICAR-UG)-2023. Candidates may note that all Undergraduate Degrees in the disciplines of Agricultural Sciences have been declared as professional degrees and are detailed as under:

Code No	Degree Programme for Admission
01	B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture
02	B.Sc. (Hons.) Horticulture
03	B.F.Sc. Bachelor of Fisheries Sciences
04	B.Sc. (Hons.) Forestry
05	B.Sc. (Hons.) Community Science
06	B.Sc. (Hons.) Food Nutrition and Dietetics
07	B.Sc. (Hons.) Sericulture
08	B. Tech. Agricultural Engineering
09	B. Tech. Dairy Technology
10	B. Tech. Food Technology
11	B. Tech. Biotechnology

2.2 University-Wise and Subject-Wise Number of Seats Available for Admission

Number of seats available for admission through CUET (ICAR-UG)-2023 in different disciplines at accredited Agricultural Universities [including some non-accredited programmes and colleges of Dr. RPCAU, Pusa, IARI, New Delhi and its hubs (Karnal-IIWBR, Patna-RCER, Umiam-RCNEH, Kolkata-CRIJAF, Cuttack-NRRI, Ranchi-IIAB, Hyderabad-IIRR, Nagpur -CICR, Bhopal-CIAE, Baramati-NIASM, Lucknow-IISR, Jharkhand-IARI, Assam-IARI, Raipur-NIBSM) and RLBCAU, Jhansi.] for the academic session 2023-24 will be displayed on ICAR website www.icar.org.in at the time of online counseling. However, during academic year 2022-23, total number of ICAR AIQ seats available for admission in different Bachelor Degree programs was **4285**.

2.3 Schedule of CUET (ICAR-UG)-2023

Schedule for important examination related activities has been given below. However, candidates are requested to keep themselves updated about the schedule through NTA and ICAR websites www.nta.ac.in, <https://icar.nta.ac.in> and www.icar.org.in.

Schedule of CUET (ICAR-UG)-2023

Online submission of Application Form		09 th February to 12 March 2023 (up to 9.00 PM)
Last date of successful transaction of fee through Credit/Debit Card/Net-Banking/UPI		12-03-2023 (up to 11.50PM)
Fee Payable by candidates	General/Unreserved	As per Information Bulletin CUET (ICAR-UG) 2023 available at https://cuet.samarth.ac.in
	Other Backward Classes (OBC)- (NCL)* & UPS**/ EWS***	
	SC/ST/PwBD/ Transgender	
	Processing charges & GST are to be paid by the candidate, as applicable	
Correction in particulars of Application Form on website only		As per NTA policy
Downloading of Admit Cards from NTA website		As per NTA schedule
Date of Examination		As per NTA schedule
Duration of Examination		As per NTA schedule
Timing of Examination		As indicated on Admit Card
Centre, Date and Shift of Examination		As indicated on Admit Card
Display of Attempted Question Paper and Provisional Answer Keys		To be announced later by NTA
Websites		www.nta.ac.in ; https://icar.nta.ac.in ; https://cuet.samarth.ac.in
Declaration of Result on NTA website		To be announced on the NTA website later
Schedule for Online Counselling		To be announced by the ICAR on www.icar.org.in after the declaration of result by NTA.

Other Backward Classes-Non Creamy Layer as per the central list of Other Backward Classes available on National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC), Government of India website www.ncbc.nic.in. Only the candidates falling in this list may mention OBC in the Category Column. State list OBC candidates who are not in OBC-NCL (Central List) **must choose General/Unreserved.*

*** Candidates of Remote and Underprivileged States must check their eligibility before applying.*

****As per the OM No. 20013/01/2018-BC-II dated January 17, 2019 issued by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment and the OM No. 12-4/2019-UI dated 17.01.2019 as well as the Letters No 35-2/2019-T.S.I dated 21.01.2019, 01.02.2019, 04.02.2019 and 15.02.2019 of MHRD Department of Higher Education regarding implementation of reservation for Economically Weaker Sections (EWSs) for admission in Central Educational Institutions or as per Govt. of India's latest directives to this effect.*

2.4 Scheme of Examination

The Test of CUET (ICAR-UG)-2023 will be as per the details and schedule defined by the NTA and notified on its website for registration (<https://cuet.samarth.ac.in>).

2.5 Syllabus for the Test

The Questions in the test shall be based on the syllabus prescribed by the NTA for CUET (ICAR-UG) - 2023 and available on (<https://cuet.samarth.ac.in>).

2.6 Reservation Policy

A. SC/ST/OBC-(NCL)/EWS/PwBD in each Category

- There would be reservation of seats for admission to the extent of 15% for Scheduled Caste and 7.5% for Scheduled Tribe candidates in **different disciplines**. The reservation of seats among SC/ST categories is interchangeable i.e., if sufficient number of candidates are not available to fill up the seats reserved for ST candidates, these can be filled up from among suitable SC candidates and *vice-versa* in a given subject as per merit-rank in examination. The original SC/ST certificate in prescribed form as per NTA Information Bulletin CUET (UG)-2023 is required to be produced for verification at the time of admission. Depending on merit and choice, such candidates can also take seat from the General/Unreserved Category.
- Reservation for candidates belonging to Central OBC (NCL) category would be available at BHU, PSB Viswa Bharati, SASARD Nagaland University, CAUs, IARI and its hubs (Karnal-IIWBR, Patna-RCER, Umiam-RCNEH, Kolkata-CRIJAF, Cuttack-NRRI, Ranchi-IIAB, Hyderabad-IIRR, Nagpur -CICR, Bhopal-CIAE, Baramati-NIASM, Lucknow-IISR, Jharkhand-IARI, Assam-IARI, Raipur-NIBSM) and NDRI as per the latest Government of India directives applicable at the time of counseling and Hon'ble SC Judgment dated 18th August, 2011 and communication of seats by these universities at the time of counseling. Candidates claiming admission under this category have to produce a Central OBC (NCL) certificate as per specimen in NTA Information Bulletin CUET (UG)-2023.
- Reservation of seats for EWS shall be in accordance with the Gazette Notification No. DL- (N)/04/0007/2003-19, dated 12th January, 2019, Ministry of Law and Justice (Legislative Department), Govt. of India or any further related Govt. of India directive(s) applicable at the time of counseling. The provision shall be applicable only for admission to Central Educational Institutions and not to SAUs and minority educational institutions, if any, under the ICAR-AU system. The unfilled seats remaining under Gen-EWS category will be de-reserved to Unreserved (UR)/Open category seats. The certificate format for EWS candidates is given in NTA Information Bulletin CUET (UG) -2023.
- Five percent seats are reserved **horizontally across the categories** in different subjects, for Persons with Benchmark Disability (PwBD) like candidates suffering from low vision, hearing impairment, locomotors disability or cerebral palsy with appropriate medical certificate having at least 40% disability and found suitable by the Counseling Committee/University official. The candidate applying for admission under this category should submit a copy of the certificate about being PwBD from a Govt. Hospital/Medical Board at the time of admission in allotted University as per given specimen in NTA Information Bulletin CUET (UG) -2023. The criteria for assessing the degree of handicap could be variable from one subject to another. The decision of the University allotted will be final in this regard. If seat is not available in a particular Category to which the PwBD candidate belongs, then the same would be drawn from General Category/Unreserved

Category depending upon the availability.

B. Reservation for Remote and Under Privileged States/UT (UPS)

Two percent (2%) seats under each discipline would be reserved, horizontally, across categories for the candidates of the remote and under privileged States/UTs namely (i) Andaman & Nicobar Islands, (ii) Arunachal Pradesh, (iii) Dadra and Nagar Haveli, (iv) Daman & Diu, (v) Goa, (vi) Lakshadweep, (vii) Manipur, (viii) Meghalaya, (ix) Mizoram, (x) Nagaland, (xi) Sikkim (xii) Tripura and (xiii) Ladakh; where educational facilities in Agriculture and Allied Science subjects either do not exist or have no SAU(s) and who qualify this examination. **UPS candidates will have to produce domicile certificate** issued by the competent authority at the time of admission. There will not be any State quota within this quota.

Note:

1. Candidates need to refer to ICAR website www.icar.org.in for detailed information regarding reservation of seats and/or allocation of scholarship/fellowships for SC/ST/OBC (NCL)/PwBD/UPS/EWS in each category at the time of counseling.
2. The responsibility for verification of the genuineness of SC/ST/OBC (NCL)/PwBD/UPS/EWS certificate will be of the concerned AU where the candidate has been granted admission on the basis of counseling.

2.7 Provision for Persons with Benchmark Disability (PwBD) Candidates

Provisions relating to Persons with Disability (PwBD):

As per Section 2(t) of the RPwD Act, “Persons with Disability (PwD)” means a person with long-term physical, mental, intellectual, or sensory impairment which, in interaction with barriers, hinders his full and effective participation in society equally with others.

According to Section 2(r) of the RPwD Act, 2016, “persons with benchmark disabilities” means a person with not less than forty percent (40%) of a specified disability where specified disability has not been defined in measurable terms and includes a person with disability where specified disability has been defined in measurable terms, as certified by the certifying authority.

Notes:

Facilities for PwBD candidates to appear in the exam

As per the guidelines issued by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment issued from time to time on the subject: “Written Examination for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities”, A candidate with one of the benchmark disabilities [as defined in Section 2(r) of RPwD Act, 2016], holding a Disability Certificate in the format prescribed in NTA Information Bulletin CUET (UG) -2023, is entitled to the following facilities:

- a. The facility of Scribe, in case he/she has a physical limitation and a scribe is essential to write the examination on his/her behalf, being so certified in the aforesaid format by a CMO/Civil Surgeon/ Medical Superintendent of a Government Health Care Institution.
- b. Compensatory time of not less than 20 minutes per hour of examination. If the examination is of 03 hours duration, the compensatory time shall be 01 hour. In case the duration of the examination is less or more than 03 hours, the compensatory time shall be on pro rata basis. The compensatory time will be given to a candidate with benchmark disabilities, whether such candidate uses the facility of Scribe or not.

Services of a Scribe

As per the office memorandum of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (Reference: F. No. 34-02/2015-DD-III dated August 29, 2018), the PwD candidates who are visually impaired OR dyslexic (severe) OR have a disability in the upper limbs OR have lost fingers/hands thereby preventing them from properly operating the Computer Based Test platform may avail the services of a scribe (amanuensis).

The scribe will help the Candidate in reading the questions and/or keying in the answers as per the directions of the Candidate.

A scribe will NEITHER explain the questions NOR suggest any solutions.

PwBD candidates who desire to avail the services of a scribe need to opt for this during the online registration.

A copy of the PwBD certificate must be uploaded at the time of online registration. The formats for the PwBD certificate are given in Annexure-.

It is to be noted that the Scribe will be provided by the National Testing Agency only. The candidates will NOT be allowed to bring his/her own scribe.

If it is found at any stage that a candidate has availed the services of a scribe and/or availed the compensatory time, but does not possess the extent of disability that warrants the use of a scribe and/or grant of compensatory time, the candidate will be excluded from the process of evaluation, ranking, counseling, and admission. In case such a candidate has already been admitted to any Institution, the admission of the candidate will be cancelled.

The NTA does not guarantee any change in the category or sub-category (PwBD status) after the submission of the Online Application Form, and in any case, no change will be entertained by NTA after the declaration of NTA Score for the Exam. Therefore, the candidates are advised to fill in the category/sub-category column very carefully.

Note:

1. The minimum degree of disability should be 40% (Benchmark Disability) in order to be eligible for availing reservation for persons with specified disability.
2. The extent of “specified disability” in a person shall be assessed in accordance with the “Guidelines for the purpose of assessing the extent of specified disability in a person included under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 (49 of 2016)” notified in the Gazette of India by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment [Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)] on 4 January 2018.
3. No change in the category will be entertained

Candidates must note that the benefit of reservation will be given to them subject to verification of documents. If it is discovered at any stage that a candidate has used a false/fake/incorrect document, or has furnished false, incorrect, or incomplete information, in order to avail the benefit of reservation, then such a candidate shall be excluded from all admission processes. In case such a candidate has already been given admission, the admission shall stand cancelled.

CHAPTER-3

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA AND QUALIFICATIONS

3.1 General Eligibility Criteria to appear in CUET (ICAR-UG) - 2023

The eligibility qualifications for various degree programmes is as follows:

CodeNo	Degree Programme for Admission	Eligibility
01	B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Candidate should have studied and passed the qualifying examination (12th standard) with at least three subjects out of Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Biology and Agriculture as core courses. Candidate(s) are not allowed to appear in subject combination different than the one which s(he) studied and passed in 12th standard. Such cases will not be considered for counselling / admission and will be rejected. The candidates must attempt only those subjects in the examination as per the choice given in the Application Form. Therefore, they must exercise the choice of subjects very carefully. Attempting subject combination different than choice given in the application form will invite disqualification from counselling / admission process. For further details related to qualification, please refer point 3.2 of this Information Bulletin.
02	B.Sc. (Hons.) Horticulture	
03	B.F.Sc. Bachelor of Fisheries Sciences	
04	B.Sc. (Hons.) Forestry	
05	B.Sc. (Hons.) Community Science	
06	B.Sc. (Hons) Food Nutrition and Dietetics	
07	B.Sc. (Hons.) Sericulture	
08	B. Tech. Agricultural Engineering	
09	B. Tech. Dairy Technology	
10	B. Tech. Food Technology	
11	B. Tech. Biotechnology	

3.2 Qualifying Examination at 10+2 Level

- In order to appear in CUET (ICAR-UG)-2023, Indian national candidates should have passed 10+2 Senior Secondary Examination of the Central Board of Secondary Education or any other examination within scope and standard found to be equivalent to the Senior Secondary Examination of a recognized Indian Board / University (**Annexure III**), with minimum prescribed marks/grade, after a period of 12 years of study. Candidate(s) who have obtained any diploma or vocational course after matriculation will not be eligible. The medium of instruction in the admitting University will be English.
- Candidate should have passed the qualifying examinations enumerated above securing not less than 50% marks in aggregate for General, OBC (NCL), UPS, EWS categories and 40% marks in aggregate for SC, ST, Third Gender, PwBD categories. There will be no rounding-off of the OGPA/percentage of marks of qualifying examination while deciding the basic eligibility of any candidate for admission e.g. if a candidate obtained 49.99% marks in his/her qualifying examination, then it will not be rounded-off to 50%.
- Candidate having a compartment/supplementary in any of the subjects will not be eligible unless proof of having cleared the examination with requisite percentage as above is available.
- Candidate already appeared in the qualifying examination enumerated above, can also apply but would be required to submit evidence of having satisfied the conditions latest at the time of counseling/admission in the allotted university.
- Candidate must ensure that he/she fulfills the eligibility requirements for the examination as well as admission as detailed in the Information Bulletin. Applying for CUET (ICAR-UG)-2023, appearing in the examination and qualifying the same does not necessarily mean acceptance of eligibility. The applicant for a particular Subject must satisfy the eligibility criteria as specified in this Information Bulletin (or its amendments/corrections from time to time).

6. Candidate should have studied and passed the qualifying examination (12th standard) with at least three subjects out of Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Biology and Agriculture, as core course.
7. Candidate will not be allowed to choose and appear in subject combination different than the one which s(he) studied and passed in 12th standard. Such cases (candidates attempting different subject combination than that studied & passed in the 12th standard examination) will not be considered for counselling/admission and will be rejected.
8. The candidates must attempt only those subjects in the examination as per the choice given in the Application Form. Therefore, they must exercise the choice of subjects very carefully. Attempting subject combination different than choice given in the application form will invite disqualification from counselling / admission process.
9. Many admitting universities have special conditions (like upper age limit, mandatory subject eligibility for a specific program, gender specific preference, etc.) for admission as per respective university statute. It will be the responsibility of the candidate(s) to inquire about such special conditions from University of his/her interest before applying/filling of choices for counselling. Contact details of accredited universities are given in Annexure IV.

- No certificates are required to be uploaded along with the Application Form at the time of online submission.

The documents/certificates etc., shall be verified directly at the time of admission in the admitting university. In case the candidate is found not-eligible at any stage, his/her candidature would be summarily rejected and admission will be cancelled.

NOTE:

1. Candidates must note that all applicants shall be bound by the conditions as laid down in this Information Bulletin, and the rules and regulations as enshrined in the admitting University Act, Statutes, Ordinances, notifications and guidelines issued from time to time. **It is the sole responsibility of the candidate to ensure that he/she entirely fulfills the specified eligibility before appearing in the examination.**
2. The candidate must ensure that all the eligibility conditions as laid down in the Information Bulletin are fulfilled *in toto* by him/her, including the minimum age limit, percentage of marks obtained in the 10+2 examination, relevant certificates, etc. and final result in hand at the time of counseling/admission in the university. **Please note that ICAR/University will NOT be held responsible for denial of admission to non- eligible candidates.**

3.3 Age Limit

Indian Nationals of at least 16 years of age as on 31.08.2023 are eligible to apply for the examination. No relaxation is admissible regarding the minimum age limit.

CHAPTER-4

REGISTRATION AND APPLICATION PROCESS

NTA is the examination conducting body and its scope is limited to conducting the examination and declaration of the Result /Merit List as per the criteria prescribed. Candidates must note that they shall be bound by the conditions as laid down in this Information Bulletin as well as the Statutes, Ordinances, Notifications, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines of the admitting University / Deemed University / Institute, issued from time to time. It is the sole responsibility of the candidate to ensure that he/she fulfills the specified eligibility *in toto* before filling up the online application form and appearing in the examination.

4.1 Examination Cities for CUET (ICAR-UG)-2023

The Examination Cities where the CUET (ICAR-UG)-2023 will be decided and finalized by the NTA. The NTA will make efforts to allot city of examination to the candidates in order of the choice opted by them in their application form. However, due to administrative reasons, a different city of nearby area could be allotted.

- ❖ NTA reserves the right to allot a candidate to a nearby exam city, other than the one opted by him/her, if need be, depending on administrative exigencies.
- ❖ NTA reserves the right to cancel/ merge any exam city/centre if need be, depending on administrative exigencies.
- ❖ **The Examination City Centre, once opted, shall not be changed.**

The decision of the NTA regarding allotment of Centre, Date and Shift shall be final. No further correspondence or request shall be entertained in such case.

4.2 Applying Online and Submission of Application Form

The online submission of Application Form for CUET (ICAR-UG)-2023, uploading of scanned photograph and signatures may be made at website <https://cuet.samarth.ac.in>. The candidates should complete all the required details while filling up the online form. On submission of details and required fee, a Confirmation Page with Application Number shall be generated. Candidates are required to take printout of Confirmation Page and keep it for future reference.

In order to appear in CUET (ICAR-UG)-2023, the candidates are required to apply online as per procedure detailed at website <https://cuet.samarth.ac.in>. Before filling and submitting the online form, candidates should download the Information Bulletin and Replica of Application Form; and read them carefully. Candidates must follow the instructions strictly as given in the Information Bulletin and on NTA website. Application Forms not complying with the instructions are liable to be rejected.

4.3 Replica and Steps of the Application Form

The Replica of the CUET (ICAR-UG)-2023 Application Form or Format and steps to be completed sequentially are available at <https://cuet.samarth.ac.in>.

4.4 a. Method of Fee Payment

The payment methods as instructed by the NTA at <https://cuet.samarth.ac.in> should only be followed to avoid misplacement or non-payment of fee.

Generation of Confirmation Page confirms the final submission of Application Form. If Confirmation Page has not been generated, this means that Application Form has not been submitted successfully.

b. Important Points to Note:

- (i) In order to appear in CUET (ICAR-UG)-2022, the candidates are required to apply 'online'. **The Application Form other than online mode shall not be accepted.**
- (ii) The Candidates should fill their complete postal address with PIN Code for further correspondence. **The NTA/ICAR shall not be held responsible for any loss due to incorrect address given by the applicant in the**

Online Application Form.

- (iii) The Candidate must ensure that e-mail address and Mobile Number provided **in the Online Application Form are their own (which cannot be changed later)** as communication may be sent by NTA through **e-mail or SMS**.
- (iv) The Candidate should not give the postal address, Mobile Number or e-mail ID of Coaching Centre in the Online Application Form.
In order to appear in CUET (ICAR-UG)-2023, the candidates are required to apply 'online'. **No change will be accepted through offline mode i.e. through fax/application including e-mail etc.**
- (v) Online submission of application may be done by **accessing the NTA official website: <https://cuet.samarth.ac.in/>**.
- (vi) The candidates, before submitting the Online Application Form, shall ensure their eligibility to appear in the test. The candidate is not required to give any option for Agricultural Universities for admission at the time of filling up online Application Form. The admission/allotment of seat will be made through online counseling on the basis of merit-rank and fulfillment of other eligibility requirements.
- (vii) Online Application Form cannot be withdrawn once it is submitted successfully.
- (viii) A candidate is allowed to **submit only one Application Form. If a candidate submits more than one Application Form, the candidature is likely to be cancelled.**
- (ix) Request for change in any particular(s) in the Application Form shall not be entertained under any circumstances.
Note: However, a chance will be given to the candidates to correct / modify / edit some of the particular(s) of the Application Form online only, through the correction window.
- (x) The Centers (Cities) indicated for the entrance examination by a candidate is only an option. The actual Centre and shift shall be allotted by NTA and it shall be final. No correspondence in this regard shall be entertained.
- (xi) Selection of a candidate in the test is provisional subject to being found otherwise eligible for admission.
- (xii) In case a candidate is found providing incorrect information or the identity is proved to be false at any time in the future, the candidate shall face penal action as per the law.
- (xiii) The Candidates are not required to send/submit the Confirmation Page of Online Application Form to the NTA/ICAR. However, they are advised to retain the following documents with them as reference for future correspondence:
- ❖ Copy of the Confirmation Page of Online Application Form.
 - ❖ Proof of fee paid
 - ❖ Photographs (**same as uploaded on the Online Application Form**)
- (xiv) The name on the Govt. photo ID must match with the name as shown on the Admit Card. If the name has been changed due to events such as marriage, candidate must show the relevant document like Marriage Certificate / Divorce / Decree / Legal Name Change Document at the time of examination.
- (xv) In case of any technical issue or due to a natural disaster, if an exam in a particular shift/subject has to be rescheduled, NTA may follow the process of normalization of the two test forms as per the policy.
- (xvi) **If a candidate at any stage is found to have furnished incorrect information or deliberately suppressed any material information, his/her candidature/admission will be rejected/cancelled as soon as it comes to the notice of either NTA or ICAR or the university concerned.**

c. Provision of Aadhaar:

The Aadhaar number is only one of the types of identification and is not mandatory. Candidates may also enter Passport number, Ration Card number, Bank Account number or any other valid Government identity number.

CHAPTER-5

5.1 Admit Card for CUET (ICAR-UG)-2023

- ❖ The e-Admit Card would be issued provisionally to the candidates through the NTA website: <https://cuet.samarth.ac.in/>, subject to the fulfillment of the eligibility conditions and receipt of the prescribed application fee by NTA.
- ❖ The Admit Card is issued provisionally to the candidates, subject to their satisfying the eligibility conditions.
- ❖ The candidate has to download the Admit Card from the NTA website and appear for the Examination at the given Centre strictly as per the Date and Shift (Timing) indicated on the Admit Card.
- ❖ No candidate will be allowed to appear at the examination center, on Date and Timings other than that allotted to them in their Admit card.
- ❖ **The candidates are advised to read the instructions on the Admit Card carefully and follow them during the conduct of the examination.**
- ❖ In case of any discrepancy in the particulars of the candidate or his/her photograph and signatures shown in the Admit Card and Confirmation Page, the candidate may immediately *approach the NTA Helpline between 10:00 am and 5:00 pm. In such cases, candidates would appear in the examination with the already downloaded Admit Card. However, NTA will take necessary action to make correction in the record later.*
- ❖ **The date of downloading the Admit Card for the exam will be announced on the NTA website (<https://cuet.samarth.ac.in/>)**

Note:

- a. *Candidate may please note that Admit Cards will not be sent by post.*
- b. *In no case, the duplicate Admit Card for CUET (ICAR-UG)-2023 would be issued at the Examination Centres.*
- c. *Candidate must not mutilate the Admit Card or change any entry made therein.*
- d. *Candidates are advised to preserve their Admit Cards in good condition for future reference and verification during Counseling.*
- e. *No Admit Card shall be issued to the candidates whose Applications are found to be incomplete for any reasons (including indistinct/ doubtful photographs/unsigned Applications).*
- f. *Issue of Admit Cards, however, shall not necessarily mean acceptance of eligibility which shall be further scrutinized at subsequent stages of admission process.*

CHAPTER-6

CONDUCT OF THE EXAMINATION

6.1 Important Instructions for the Candidates

Candidates must read the NTA Information Bulletin CUET (UG)-2023 available at <https://cuet.samarth.ac.in/> for important instructions related to the Examination.

6.2 Prohibited Materials and Unfair Means

Candidates are advised to read the NTA Information Bulletin CUET (UG)-2023 available at <https://cuet.samarth.ac.in/> for the topic.

Important: For those who are unable to appear on the scheduled date and time of test for any reason, re-test shall not be held by the NTA under any circumstances.

Chapter-7

RESULT AND COUNSELLING

7.1 Procedure of Declaration of Result

Candidates are advised to read the Chapter 11 of NTA Information Bulletin:CUET (UG) – 2023 available at <https://cuet.samarth.ac.in/>

7.2 Procedure of Online Counseling

Candidates declared eligible for registration and choice filling for online counseling by the ICAR will only be considered for allocation of subject/seat and the Agricultural University. The schedule for counseling will be notified separately on the ICAR website (www.icar.org.in) after declaration of result. The admission and scholarship would be granted only when the candidate seeks admission through counseling conducted by the ICAR.

CHAPTER-8

Miscellaneous Provisions

8.1 Weeding Out Rules

The record of CUET (ICAR-UG)-2023 Examination at NTA would be available up to 90days from the Date of Examination. The same would be weeded out thereafter.

8.2 Legal Jurisdiction

All disputes pertaining to the conduct of CUET (ICAR-UG)-2023 Examination including Results shall fall within the jurisdiction of Delhi only. Further, any legal question arising out of the Examination shall be entertained only when raised within 30 days from the declaration of result.

The Director (Administration) of the NTA shall be the official by whose designation the NTA may sue or be sued.

DOMICILE STATE/UTs CODES

Sl. No.	Name of the State/UT	Code Number	Sl. No.	Name of the State/UT	Code Number
1.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands (U.T.)	01	19.	Madhya Pradesh	20
2.	Andhra Pradesh	02	20.	Maharashtra	21
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	03	21.	Manipur	22
4.	Assam	04	22.	Meghalaya	23
5.	Bihar	05	23.	Mizoram	24
6.	Chandigarh (U.T.)	06	24.	Nagaland	25
7.	Chhattisgarh	07	25.	Odisha	26
8.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli & Daman & Diu (U.T.)	08	26.	Puducherry (U.T.)	27
9.	Delhi (U.T.)	10	27.	Punjab	28
10.	Goa	11	28.	Rajasthan	29
11.	Gujarat	12	29.	Sikkim	30
12.	Haryana	13	30.	Tamil Nadu	31
13.	Himachal Pradesh	14	31.	Tripura	32
14.	Jammu & Kashmir	15	32.	Uttarakhand	33
15.	Jharkhand	16	33.	Uttar Pradesh	34
16.	Karnataka	17	34.	West Bengal	35
17.	Kerala	18	35.	Telangana	36
18.	Lakshadweep (U.T.)	19	36.	Ladakh (U.T)	37

ANNEXURE II

List of ICAR accredited Bachelor's degree programmes and Colleges of CAUs

Name of University & year of Establishment	Period of Accreditation	College	Bachelor Degree Programmes
Rani Lakshmi Bai central Agricultural University, Jhansi (2014)	From 17-08-2021 to 16-08-2026	College of Agriculture, RLBCAU, Jhansi	B.Sc. (Hons)-Agriculture
		College of Horticulture & Forestry, RLBCAU, Jhansi	B.Sc. (Hons)-Forestry B.Sc. (Hons)-Horticulture
Rajendra Agricultural University, Pusa, Samastipur, (Bihar) (1978)	Five years w.e.f. 28.03.2021 to 27.03.2026	College of Agricultural Engineering, Samsatipur	B. Tech. (Agril. Engineering)
		College of Basic Sciences and Humanities, Samsatipur	B. Tech. (Biotechnology)
		Tirhut College of Agriculture, Dholi, Muzaffarpur	B.Sc. (Hons.)- Agriculture

ANNEXURE III**NUMERIC CODES FOR CLASS XII SCHOOL EDUCATION BOARDS/COUNCIL**

S.No.	Education Boards/Council	Code
1.	Andhra Pradesh Board of Intermediate Education	01
2.	Assam Higher Secondary Education Council	02
3.	Bihar Intermediate Education Council	03
4.	Central Board of Secondary Education	04
5.	Chhattisgarh Madhyamik Shiksha Mandal	05
6.	Council for the Indian School Certificate Examinations	06
7.	Goa Board of Secondary and Higher Secondary Education	07
8.	Gujarat Secondary Education Board	08
9.	Haryana Board of School Education	09
10.	H.P. Board of School Education	10
11.	J&K State Board of School Education	11
12.	Jharkhand Academic Council	12
13.	Karnataka Board of School Education	13
14.	Kerala Board of Public Examinations	14
15.	Madhya Pradesh Board of Secondary Education	15
16.	Maharashtra State Board of Secondary and Higher Secondary Education	16
17.	Manipur Council of Higher Secondary Education	17
18.	Meghalaya Board of Secondary Education	18
19.	Mizoram Board of School Education	19
20.	Nagaland Board of School Education	20
21.	Orissa Council of Higher Secondary Education	21
22.	Punjab School Education Board	22
23.	Rajasthan Board of Secondary Education	23
24.	Tamil Nadu Board of Higher Secondary Education	24
25.	Tripura Board of Secondary Education	25
26.	U.P. Board of High School & Intermediate Education	26
27.	Uttarakhand Board of High School & Intermediate Education	27
28.	West Bengal Council of Higher Secondary Education	28
29.	National Open School	29
30.	Other Boards (Not specified above)	30
31.	Telangana Board of Secondary Education	31

ANNEXURE IV

INDICATIVE AND TENTATIVE LIST* OF UNIVERSITIES FOR ADMISSION IN BACHELOR DEGREE PROGRAMMES IN AGRICULTURE AND ALLIED SCIENCE SUBJECTS THROUGH CUET (ICAR-UG) - 2023, ADDRESSES AND CONTACT NUMBERS

Sl. No.	Name of University	Registrars Contact Nos.	Registrars E-mail IDs
1.	Acharya N G Ranga Agricultural University, Administrative Office, Lam, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh - 522 034 (A. P.)	0863-2347101	registrarangrau@gmail.com
2.	Acharya Narendra Dev University of Agriculture & Technology, Ayodhya- (U.P.)	05270-262035	registrar.nd.15@gmail.com,
3.	Agriculture University, Borkhera, PB No. 20 GPO Nayapura, Kota-324001 (Rajasthan)	0744-2321205	aukota2013@gmail.com
4.	Agriculture University, Mandor, Jodhpur-342304 (Rajasthan)	0291-2570711	vcunivag@gmail.com
5.	Anand Agricultural University, Anand-388110 (Gujarat)	02692-261310	registrar@aaui.ac.in
6.	Assam Agricultural University, Jorhat-785013 (Assam)	0376-2340008	registrar@aaui.ac.in
7.	Banda University of Agriculture and Technology, Chilla Road, Banda-210 001 (U. P.)	0519-2232312	registrar.buat@gmail.com
8.	Birsa Agricultural University Kanke, Ranchi – 834006	0651-2450832	registrarbaujharkhand@gmail.com , registrar@bauranchi.org
9.	Bidhan Chandra Krishi Viswavidyalaya P.O. Krishi Viswavidyalaya, Mohanpur, Distt- Nadia-741252 (West Bengal)	033-2587-8163	regbckv@gmail.com, registrar@bckv.edu.in
10.	Central Agricultural University, Iroisemba, Imphal-795004 (Manipur)	03852-410644	regcau@gmail.com, regcau@yahoo.com
11.	Chandra Shekhar Azad University of Agriculture and Technology, Kanpur-208002 (Uttar Pradesh)	05122-533791	registrar@csau.ac.in , rsingh.csau@gmail.com
12.	Chaudhary Charan Singh Haryana Agricultural University, Hisar (Haryana)	01662-234613	regi@hau.ernet.in
13.	Dau Shri Vasudev Chandrakar Kamdhenu Vishwavidyalaya, Durg (Chhattisgarh)	07882-623465	registrarckv2012@gmail.com
14.	CSK Himachal Pradesh Krishi Vishwavidyalaya, Palampur-176 062 (Himachal Pradesh)	01894-230383	registrar@hillagric.ac.in
15.	Dr. Balasaheb Sawant Konkan Krishi Vidyapeeth, Tal. Dapoli, Dist. Ratnagiri-415 712, (MS)	02358-282065	regrdbskkv@rediffmail.com, regr.dbkvv@gov.in
16.	Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth Akola, P.O. Krishi Nagar, Akola-444104 (MS)	0724-2258372	registrar@pdkv.ac.in
17.	Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Pusa, Samastipur - 848 125 (Bihar)	06274-240239	registrar@rpcu.ac.in
18.	Dr. Y.S. Parmar University of Horticulture & Forestry, Nauni, Solan-173230 (Himachal Pradesh)	01792 -252219	registrar@yspuniversity.ac.in
19.	Dr. Y.S.R Horticultural University, Post Box # 7, Venkataramannagudem-534101, West Godavari District (Andhra Pradesh)	08818-284311	registrar@drysru.edu.in
20.	Faculty of Agriculture, Institute of Agricultural Sciences, BHU, Varanasi-221005 (U. P.)	0542-2307222, 2368558	director.ias.bhu@gmail.com
21.	Faculty of Fisheries, Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies, Kochi (Kerala)	0484 2703782	registrar@kufos.ac.in,

22.	Guru Angad Dev Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Ferozepur Road, Ludhiana-141 004 (Punjab)	0161-2553343	registrargadvasu@gmail.com , sp1962@yahoo.com
23.	ICAR-Indian Agricultural Research Institute, Pusa, New Delhi-110012 (Delhi) and its hubs (Karnal-IIWBR, Patna-RCER, Umiam-RCNEH, Kolkata-CRIJAF, Cuttack-NRRI, Ranchi-IIAB, Hyderabad-IIRR, Nagpur -CICR, Bhopal-CIAE, Baramati-NIASM, Lucknow-IISR, Jharkhand-IARI, Assam-IARI, Raipur-NIBSM)	011-25842390	jd_admin@iari.res.in
24.	ICAR-National Dairy Research Institute, Karnal-132001 (Haryana)	0184-2259023/ 2252022	jda@ndri.res.in, jdadadmin@ndri.res.in,
25.	Indira Gandhi Krishi Vishwavidyalaya, Krishak Nagar, Raipur-492 012 (Chhattisgarh)	0771-2442537	regigkv@gmail.com
26.	Jawaharlal Nehru Krishi Vishwa Vidyalaya, Krishinagar, Adhartal, Jabalpur-482004 (M.P.)	0761-2681778	registrarjnkvv@yahoo.com
27.	Junagadh Agricultural University, Near Motibaugh, Vanthali Road, Junagadh-362001 (Gujarat)	0285-2672346	registrar@jau.in
28.	Karnataka Veterinary, Animal and Fisheries Sciences University, PB No 6, Nandinagar, Bidar-585 401 (Karnataka)	0848-2245241	regkvafsu@gmail.com
29.	Keladi Shivappa Nayak University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Savalanga Road, Shivamogga-577 204 (Karnataka)	08182-267011	registarsshimoga@gmail.com
30.	Kerala Agricultural University, KAU P.O., Vellanikkara, Thrissur-680656 (Kerala)	0487-2438011	registrar@kau.in
31.	Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Pookode, Wayanad -673 576 (Kerala)	04936 209215	pstovc@kvasu.ac.in , kishor@kvasu.ac.in
32.	Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture & Technology, Udaipur (Rajasthan)	0294-2471302	registrar@mpuat.ac.in
33.	Maharashtra Animal & Fishery Sciences University, Futala Lake Road, Nagpur - 440 001 (MS)	0712-2511784, 0712-2511785,	registrarmafsu@yahoo.com
34.	Mahatma Phule Krishi Vidyapeeth, Rahuri, Distt. Ahmednagar-413722 (MS)	02426-243226	registrar.mpkv@nic.in
35.	Nanaji Deshmukh Veterinary Science University, South Civil Lines, Jabalpur-482001 (Madhya Pradesh)	0761-2620783	registrarndvsujbp@gmail.com
36.	Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari-396 450 (Gujarat)	(02637)282823	registrar@nau.in
37.	Orissa University of Agriculture and Technology, Bhubaneswar-751003 (Odisha)	06742-397424	registrarouat@gmail.com
38.	Professor Jayashankar Telangana State Agricultural University, Hyderabad-500030 (Telangana)	0402-4002314	regrpjtsau@gmail.com
39.	Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana-141004 (Punjab)	01612-400955	registrar@pau.edu
40.	Palli Siksha Bhavana, Visva-Bharati, Santineketan, Birbhum (West Bengal)	03463-261531	registrar@visva-bharati.ac.in,
41.	P.V. Narsimha Rao Telangana Veterinary University, Administrative Office, Rajendra Nagar, Hyderabad-500 030 (Telangana)	040-24002114	telanganavetuniv@gmail.com
42.	Rani Lakshmi Bai Central Agricultural University, Jhansi, (UP) Camp Office: Room No 213, KAB-II, Pusa, New Delhi-12	0510-2730555	registrar.rlbcu@gmail.com , mukeshcsau@rediffmail.com

43.	Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel University of Agriculture & Technology, NH-58, Roorkee Road, Modipuram, Meerut-250110 (U. P.)	01212-2888525	registrarsvpmeerut@gmail.com
44.	Sardarkrushinagar Dantiwada Agricultural University, Sardarkrushinagar - 385506, Banaskantha, Gujarat	02748-278226	registrar@sdau.edu.in
45.	SASARD, Nagaland University, Medziphema, Lumani, Zunheboto Dist. Nagaland-798627	0369-2268270	registrar@nagalanduniversity.ac.in, deanSASARD@nagalanduniversity.ac.in,
46.	Sher-e- Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences & Technology of Jammu, Main Campus Chatha, Jammu-180009, (J&K)	0191-2262012	registrar@skuast.org
47.	Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology of Kashmir, Shalimar Campus, Srinagar-190025, (J&K)	0194-2461271	registrar@skuastkashmir.ac.in
48.	Sri Karan Narendra Agriculture University Jobner-303329, Jaipur (Rajasthan)	01425-254980	registrar@sknau.ac.in
49.	Sri Konda Laxman Telangana State Horticultural University, Rajendra Prasadnagar, Hyderabad-500 030 (Telangana)	040-24014301	registrar@skltshu.ac.in , registrarskltshu@gmail.com
50.	Sri Venkateswara Veterinary University, Dr. Y.S.R. Bhavan, Tirupati - 517 502 (A.P.)	0877 2248894	registrarsvvutpt@yahoo.in , registrar@svvu.edu.in
51.	Swami Keshwanand Rajasthan Agricultural University, Bikaner-334006 (Rajasthan)	0151-2250025	reg@raubikaner.org
52.	Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore-641 003 (Tamil Nadu)	0422-6611201	registrar@tnau.ac.in
53.	Tamil Nadu Dr. J. Jayalalithaa Fisheries University, First Line Beach Road, Nagapattinam-611 001 (Tamil Nadu)	04365-240088	registrar@tnfu.ac.in
54.	University of Agricultural Sciences, GKVK, Bellary Road, Bangalore-560 065 (Karnataka)	080-23330984	registrar@uasbangalore.edu.in
55.	University of Agricultural Sciences, Krishi Nagar, Dharwad-580 005 (Karnataka)	0836-2214420	registrar@uasd.in
56.	University of Agricultural Sciences, UAS Campus, Lingsugur Road, Raichur-584 104 (Karnataka)	08432-220157	registrar@uasraichur.edu.in
57.	University of Horticultural Sciences, Udyanagiri, Bagalkot-587104 (Karnataka)	08354-230276	registrar@uhsbagalkot.edu.in
58.	Uttar Banga Krishi Viswavidyalaya, PO Pundbari, Cooch Behar-736 165 (West Bengal)	03582-270588	registrarubkvv@gmail.com
59.	Vasantryao Naik Marathwada Krishi Vidyapeeth, Parbhani-431402 (MS)	02452-223801	reg_mau@rediffmail.com
60.	West Bengal University of Animal & Fishery Sciences, 37 & 68, KB Sarani, Kolkata-700037 (West Bengal)	03325-563123	danashyamsundar@gmail.com
61.	Bihar Agricultural University, Sabour, Bhagalpur, Bihar - 813210	0641-2451039	registrarbau2022@gmail.com

*The final list of universities for admission to Bachelor's degree programmes will be available at the time of counseling.

APPENDIX-I

List of Agricultural Universities (AUs) which utilized NTA scores for their UG admissions (2022-23)

Sl. No.	Name of the University
1	CSKHPKV, Palampur
2	Dr. YSPUHF, Solan
3	KSN UAHS, Shivamogga
4	MPHU, Karnal
5	NDVSU, Jabalpur
6	UHS, Bagalkot



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