

Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Government of India



### Massive Open Online Course in Plant Biosecurity (1<sup>st</sup> April – 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2022) <u>Information Brochure</u>

# About the course:

Plant Biosecurity is of paramount importance to any country to safeguard food-security, sustainability of agricultural / horticultural production, protecting livelihood of people and facilitate safe trade. Realizing the importance of plant biosecurity, NIPHM launched MOOCs in Plant Biosecurity in 2019 and successfully completed 6 batches. In order to increase the reach out and cover large number of candidates, NIPHM proposes to organize seventh batch in the month of April, 2022.

## **Objectives:**

The objective of the course is to create awareness about plant biosecurity, plant quarantine system, to combat invasive plant pest threats, to enhance technical capabilities and human capacity building to meet such threats and to enhance Sanitary and Phytosanitary compliance.

#### Salient features of the course:

As an online course in an user-friendly manner under MOOCs platform

- Comprehensive coverage to cater the sectoral needs
- Availability of reading material for each subject covered under the course
- Comprehensive assessment of the candidates

# **Eligibility criteria**

- Graduate in any stream (Provisional or degree certificate has to be uploaded in support of claim) / pursuing final year in graduation in any stream (Bonafide study certificate issued by Head of the Institution / College has to be uploaded in support of claim)
- The degree must be from a recognized Indian university
- The degree must be from any Indian University incorporated by an Act of Central or State Legislature in India or other educational Institution established by an Act of Parliament or declared to be deemed University under section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956.
- In case the qualification of a candidate is from a foreign university, it must be recognized by Government of India, as equivalent to a degree offered in India.

Minimum age: 20 years

#### Medium of instruction: English Course structure and content:

The certificate course has 24 lectures and will be offered in 3 months. It covers plant biosecurity and plant quarantine, International and national regulations, import and export procedures for plants and plant products, phytosanitary treatments and regional harmonization of phytosanitary measures to safeguard regional biosecurity.

**Course fee: Rs. 2500/-** to be paid at the time of admission to NIPHM through RTGS (wire-transfer) after approval of registration for the course.

**Last date for registration:** 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2022 **Last date for payment of fees:** 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2022

Patron: Dr. Sagar Hanuman Singh, IPoS, Director General, NIPHM Course Director: Dr. J. Alice R. P. Sujeetha, Director (Plant Biosecurity) Course Coordinator: Ms. R. Madhubala, Assistant Director (PD) IT Coordinator: Er. Shaik Liyakhat Ali Ahamed, Assistant Director (ICT) (For queries please contact: 04024018788, 7893111922 & email: <u>madhubala.rv@gov.in</u>)