



## Massive Open Online Course in Rodents and Household Pest Management

(1<sup>st</sup> Sept – 30<sup>th</sup> Nov, 2021)

### Information Brochure

#### About the course

The changing public health scenario of the country calls for organized commercial pest control operations. This, in turn, will give rise to demand for technically qualified manpower to manage different aspects of identifying the insect pests that are problematic in urban and sub-urban areas and novel management techniques, etc. Realizing the importance of trained manpower in the sector, NIPHM is launched 3 months MOOCs in Rodents and Household Pest Management in 2019 and successfully completed the 3 batches. In order to increase the reach out and cover large number of candidates, fourth batch commences from 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2021.

#### Objectives

The objective of the Course is to create a pool of pest control professionals with capacity to manage pest control operations efficiently and to help them have latest knowledge and understanding of biology, identification, habitats and management of rodents and household insect pests.

#### 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
- A certificate (on successful completion) from NIPHM

#### Eligibility criteria

A pass in Higher Secondary or Plus 2 or diploma in any field with science background. The candidates those who are working in any pest control company and completed Higher Secondary or Plus 2 or diploma in non-science background can also apply. The course is offered only for Indian nationals.

**Minimum age: 18 years**

**Medium of instruction:** English

#### Course structure and content:

The course has 3 modules with 21 chapters and will be offered in three months. Each month will have 7 chapters. Video presentations and reading materials on each chapter covered under the programme will be provided to the students. The course will cover biology and management of rodents, mosquitoes, cockroaches, bedbugs, flies, termites, storage pests and weeds identification and management.

**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> August, 2021

**Last date for payment of fees:** 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2021

**Disclaimer:** Completing the course does not reserve any rights on the candidates for applying for Commercial Pest Control Licence under Insecticide Act, 1968. The certificate issued after completion of this course cannot be used as a training certificate for applying Commercial Pest Control Operation Licence.

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