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Subject: Inviting Online Applications for Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) [AIEEA(PG) and AICE JRF/SRF(Ph.D.)] Entrance Examinations - 2026

The National Testing Agency (NTA) has been entrusted with the responsibility of conducting the ICAR AIEEA (PG), i.e., Indian Council of Agricultural Research All India Entrance Examination for Admission (Postgraduate), for Master's degree admissions, and the AICE-JRF/SRF (Ph.D.)-2026, i.e., All India Competitive Examination for Junior Research Fellowship/Senior Research Fellowship (Doctoral Degree Programmes) for admission to the Doctoral Degree Programmes.

The NTA will conduct the ICAR AIEEA (PG) and AICE JRF/SRF (Ph.D.)-2026 for admission to Postgraduate and Doctoral degree Programmes in Agricultural and Allied Sciences for the academic session 2026-27, on behalf of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research as per the details given below:

Activity	Tentative date(s)
Online submission of application form through website (https://exams.nta.nic.in/icar/)	08 May 2026 to 07 June 2026 (Up to 05.00 PM)
Last date for successful transaction of fee through Credit/Debit Card/Net Banking /UPI	07 June 2026 (Up to 11.50 PM)
Correction in particulars of application form on the website only	09 June to 10 June 2026
Information of Advance City Intimation Slip	To be intimated later on the website
Release of Admit Card	To be intimated later on the website
Date(s) of Exam	04 July 2026 (Saturday)
Mode of Exam	Computer Based Test (CBT)
Pattern of Exam	Objective type with Multiple Choice questions
Medium	English only
Duration	02 hours (120 minutes)

The examination will be conducted in **Computer Based Test (CBT)** mode. The duration of the examination will be **02 hours (120 minutes)** and the question paper will consist of objective type Multiple Choice Questions. The medium of the examination will be **English only**. The examination will be conducted in approximately **122 cities across the country**, the list of which is placed at **Annexure-I** and the list of subjects for AIEEA (PG) and AICE JRF/SRF (Ph.D.) is placed at **Annexure-II**.



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Candidates are required to apply online through the official website <https://exams.nta.nic.in/icar/> and are advised to carefully read the respective Information Bulletins for **AIEEA (PG)** and **AICE JRF/SRF (Ph.D.)** before filling the Application Form. Candidates must ensure that they fulfill the eligibility criteria as prescribed and that the information furnished by them is correct and complete in all respects. Any discrepancy found at any stage may lead to cancellation of candidature.

Candidates are advised to initiate their Application Form through **Aadhaar-based authentication**. They are advised to ensure that their Aadhaar details are updated as per the guidelines of the Unique Identification Authority of India, including their latest photograph and demographic details. NTA reserves the right to verify the candidate's identity and details at any stage.

In addition to uploading the photograph, candidates will also be required to capture a **live photograph** during the submission of the Application Form. The live photograph will also be displayed on the Admit Card and Score Card. Candidates should ensure proper lighting, light-coloured background, and clear visibility of the face (including ears, without mask) while capturing the live photograph. In case the device does not support a webcam, an option will be provided to capture the photograph through a mobile device using QR code.

*For PwD/PwBD candidates, the details of the **UDID Card** uploaded shall be verified through the portal of the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities. Candidates who do not possess a UDID Card are required to upload a valid Disability Certificate, which may be verified from the issuing authority.*

The examination fee is to be paid online only through the prescribed modes. Candidates are advised to keep a copy of the Confirmation Page for future reference. Only one application per candidate shall be permitted and multiple applications, if any, may lead to rejection.

Candidates are advised to regularly visit the NTA websites www.nta.ac.in and <https://exams.nta.nic.in/icar/> for the latest updates regarding the **ICAR AIEEA (PG)** and **AICE JRF/SRF (Ph.D.)-2026**.

For any queries or /clarifications, candidates can call NTA Help Desk at **011-40759000 / 011-6922770** or write to NTA at icar@nta.ac.in

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Annexure-I

S No.	State	City	City Code
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands (UT)	Port Blair (Sri Vijaya Puram)	AN01
2	Andhra Pradesh	Guntur	AP20
3	Andhra Pradesh	Kurnool	AP22
4	Andhra Pradesh	Nellore	AP23
5	Andhra Pradesh	Rajahmundry	AP26
6	Andhra Pradesh	Tirupathi	AP16
7	Andhra Pradesh	Vijayawada	AP17
8	Andhra Pradesh	Visakhapatnam	AP18
9	Arunachal Pradesh	Itanagar/Naharlagun	AL01
10	Assam	Dibrugarh	AM01
11	Assam	Guwahati	AM02
12	Assam	Jorhat	AM03
13	Assam	Silchar	AM04
14	Assam	Tezpur	AM05
15	Bihar	Bhagalpur	BR02
16	Bihar	Darbhanga	BR01
17	Bihar	Gaya	BR03
18	Bihar	Munger	BR04
19	Bihar	Muzaffarpur	BR06
20	Bihar	Patna	BR07
21	Bihar	Purnea	BR08
22	Bihar	Saharsa	BR05
23	Chandigarh (UT)	Chandigarh/Mohali/Panchkula	CH01
24	Chhattisgarh	Bhilai Nagar/Durg	CG01
25	Chhattisgarh	Bilaspur (Chhattisgarh)	CG02
26	Chhattisgarh	Raipur	CG03
27	Dadra and Nagar Haveli (UT)	Silvassa	DN01
28	Daman and Diu (UT)	Daman	DD01
29	Goa	Panaji/Madgaon	GO01
30	Gujarat	Ahmedabad/Gandhinagar	GJ01
31	Gujarat	Rajkot	GJ10
32	Gujarat	Surat	GJ11
33	Gujarat	Vadodara	GJ03
34	Haryana	Kurukshetra	HR04
35	Himachal Pradesh	Hamirpur (Himachal Pradesh)	HP01
36	Himachal Pradesh	Kangra/Palampur	HP04
37	Himachal Pradesh	Shimla	HP05
38	Jammu And Kashmir	Jammu (J & K)	JK02
39	Jammu And Kashmir	Srinagar (J & K)	JK04
40	Jharkhand	Dhanbad	JH02
41	Jharkhand	Jamshedpur	JH03
42	Jharkhand	Ranchi	JH04
43	Karnataka	Bengaluru	KK04
44	Karnataka	Hubballi (Hubli)	KK03
45	Karnataka	Kalaburagi (Gulbarga)	KK05
46	Karnataka	Mysuru (Mysore)	KK06
47	Keralam	Alappuzha/Ernakulam/Kochi	KL01
48	Keralam	Kozhikode/Calicut	KL08
49	Keralam	Malappuram	KL09
50	Keralam	Thiruvananthapuram	KL17
51	Keralam	Thrissur	KL18
52	Ladakh (UT)	Leh	LL01
53	Lakshadweep (UT)	Kavaratti	LD01
54	Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal	MP03
55	Madhya Pradesh	Gwalior	MP06
56	Madhya Pradesh	Indore	MP07
57	Madhya Pradesh	Jabalpur	MP08
58	Madhya Pradesh	Sagar	MP12
59	Maharashtra	Ahmednagar/Ahilyanagar	MR01
60	Maharashtra	Amravati	MR03
61	Maharashtra	Aurangabad/Chhatrapati Sambhaji Nagar	MR04

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S No.	State	City	City Code
62	Maharashtra	Jalgaon	MR13
63	Maharashtra	Kolhapur	MR14
64	Maharashtra	Nanded	MR18
65	Maharashtra	Mumbai/Navi Mumbai/Thane/KALYAN	MR06
66	Maharashtra	Nagpur	MR17
67	Maharashtra	Nashik	MR07
68	Maharashtra	Pune	MR22
69	Maharashtra	Latur	MR23
70	Maharashtra	Solapur	MR08
71	Manipur	Churachandpur	MN02
72	Manipur	Imphal	MN01
73	Meghalaya	Shillong	MG01
74	Mizoram	Aizawl	MZ01
75	Nagaland	Kohima	NL01
76	New Delhi	New Delhi (Delhi NCR)	DL01
77	Odisha	Balasure	OR01
78	Odisha	Berhampur-Ganjam	OR02
79	Odisha	Bhubaneswar	OR04
80	Odisha	Dhenkanal	OR05
81	Odisha	Rourkela	OR06
82	Odisha	Sambalpur	OR09
83	Puducherry	Puducherry	PU01
84	Punjab	Amritsar	PB01
85	Punjab	Ludhiana	PB05
86	Punjab	Patiala/Fatehgarh Sahib	PB08
87	Rajasthan	Ajmer	RJ01
88	Rajasthan	Bikaner	RJ05
89	Rajasthan	Jaipur	RJ06
90	Rajasthan	Jodhpur	RJ07
91	Rajasthan	Kota	RJ08
92	Rajasthan	Sriganganagar	RJ02
93	Rajasthan	Udaipur	RJ11
94	Sikkim	Gangtok	SM01
95	Tamil Nadu	Chennai	TN01
96	Tamil Nadu	Coimbatore	TN02
97	Tamil Nadu	Madurai	TN08
98	Tamil Nadu	Salem	TN11
99	Tamil Nadu	Tiruchirappalli	TN07
100	Tamil Nadu	Tirunelveli	TN09
101	Telangana	Hyderabad	TL01
102	Telangana	Mahbubnagar	TL02
103	Telangana	Siddipet/Karimnagar	TL03
104	Telangana	Nizamabad	TL04
105	Telangana	Warangal	TL07
106	Tripura	Agartala	TA01
107	Uttar Pradesh	Agra	UP01
108	Uttar Pradesh	Bareilly	UP04
109	Uttar Pradesh	Gorakhpur	UP08
110	Uttar Pradesh	Jhansi	UP09
111	Uttar Pradesh	Kanpur	UP11
112	Uttar Pradesh	Lucknow	UP12
113	Uttar Pradesh	Meerut	UP05
114	Uttar Pradesh	Prayagraj	UP13
115	Uttar Pradesh	Varanasi	UP18
116	Uttarakhand	Dehradun	UK01
117	Uttarakhand	Haldwani	UK02
118	Uttarakhand	Roorkee	UK03
119	West Bengal	Burdwan	WB02
120	West Bengal	Durgapur	WB03
121	West Bengal	Kolkata	WB10
122	West Bengal	Siliguri	WB11



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Annexure – II

List of subjects for ICAR AIEEA (PG)
01-Plant Biotechnology
02- Plant Sciences
03- Physical Science
04- Entomology And Nematology
05-Agronomy
06-Social Sciences
07- Statistical Sciences
08- Horticulture
09-Forestry/Agroforestry and Silviculture
10-Agricultural Engineering and Technology
11- Community Science
12-Animal Biotechnology
13-Veterinary Science
14-Animal Sciences
15-Fisheries Science
16-Dairy Science
17-Dairy Technology
18- Food Science Technology
19- Agri Business Management
20. Water Science and Technology

Core Group	Subjects for AICE JRF/SRF (Ph.D.)
01 Crop Sciences-I	1.1 Genetics & Plant Breeding
	1.2 Seed Science & Technology
	1.3 Plant Genetic Resources
02 Crop Sciences- II	2.1 Plant Pathology
	2.2 Nematology
	2.3 Entomology
	2.4 Sericulture
03 Crop Sciences- III	3.1 Biochemistry
	3.2 Plant Physiology
	3.3 Molecular Biology and Biotechnology
	3.4 Microbiology
04 Horticulture	4.1 Vegetable Science
	4.2 Fruit Science
	4.3 Floriculture & Landscaping
	4.4 Plantation, Spices, Medicinal and Aromatic Crops
	4.5 Post Harvest Management
05 Veterinary and Animal Sciences-I	5.1 Animal Genetics and Breeding
	5.2 Animal Nutrition
	5.3 Livestock Production Management
	5.4 Livestock Products Technology
	5.5 Poultry Science
06 Veterinary and Animal Sciences-II	6.1 Veterinary Parasitology
	6.2 Veterinary Public Health and Epidemiology
	6.3 Veterinary Microbiology
	6.4 Veterinary Pathology



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Core Group	Subjects for AICE JRF/SRF (Ph.D.)
07 Veterinary and Animal Sciences-III	7.1 Veterinary Medicine
	7.2 Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology
	7.3 Animal Reproduction, Gynaecology and Obstetrics
	7.4 Veterinary Surgery & Radiology
	7.5 Veterinary Anatomy
08 Veterinary and Animal Sciences-IV	8.1 Veterinary Physiology
	8.2 Veterinary Biochemistry
	8.3 Veterinary Biotechnology
09 Dairy Science, Dairy Technology and Food Technology	9.1 Dairy Chemistry
	9.2 Food Processing Technology
	9.3 Dairy Microbiology
	9.4 Dairy Technology
	9.5 Dairy Engineering
10 Agricultural Engineering and Technology	10.1 Farm Machinery and Power Engineering
	10.2 Soil and Water Conservation Engineering
	10.3 Processing and Food Engineering
	10.4 Renewable Energy Engineering
	10.5 Irrigation and Drainage Engineering
11 Community Science (Formerly Home Science)	11.1 Resource Management and Consumer Science
	11.2 Apparel and Textiles Science
	11.3 Human Development and Family Studies
	11.4 Food and Nutrition
	11.5 Extension Education and Community Management
12 Fishery Science-I	12.1 Fisheries Resource Management
	12.2 Fish Processing Technology
	12.3 Fishing Technology and Engineering
	12.4. Aquatic Environmental Management
13 Fishery Science-II	13.1 Aquaculture
	13.2 Aquatic Animal Health Management
	13.3 Fish Nutrition and Feed Technology
14 Fishery Sciences-III	14.1 Fish Genetics and Breeding
	14.2 Fish Biotechnology
	14.3 Fish Physiology and Biochemistry
15 Natural Resource Management - I	15.1 Forestry
	15.2 Agricultural Meteorology
	15.3 Agricultural Physics
	15.4 Environmental Science
16 Natural Resource Management - II	16.1 Agronomy
	16.2 Soil Sciences
	16.3 Agricultural Chemicals
	16.4 Water Science and Technology
17 Agricultural Economics and Agri-Business Management	17.1 Agricultural Economics
	17.2 Agri-business Management
18 Agricultural Extension	18.1 Agricultural Extension Education
19 Agricultural Statistics	19.1 Agricultural Statistics
	19.2 Bioinformatics
	19.3 Computer Application



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