

RULES/ GUIDELINES GOVERNING THE AWARD OF RAWE (RURAL AWARENESS WORKS EXPERIENCE) SCHEME FOR GRADUATES IN AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES OTHER THAN VETERINARY SCIENCE TRAINED BY AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITIES.

GENERAL

The scheme envisages the introduction of RAWE programmes in all the Universities curriculum as an essential pre-requisite for the award of the degree to ensure adequate practical training. The RAWE will include precisely prescribed programmes of work in farms as well as KVKs instructional plants etc. for a period of one semester with provision for adequate supervision, reporting and examination at the end. The programme shall be introduced for one semester under the structured degree programmes.

VALUE OF THE STIPEND

Under this scheme student would be provided Rs 500 per month as incidental expenses, Rs. 250/- per month as TA/DA/POL and Vocational charges per student per month. Besides this the concerned SAU would also provide Rs. 250 per student per month out of their own State Plan Budget.

ELIGIBILITY

- (a) Students undergoing studies leading to the award of B.Sc. or B.Tech and its equivalent a degree at Agricultural Sciences at Agricultural University shall be eligible for a period of one semester.
- (b) The stipend will be admissible to persons of Indian Nationality as defined in the Constitution of India or persons domiciled in India; irrespective of sex, race or religion.
- (c) A student will be under the administrative control of the Head of the Institution he joins. The Head of the Institution will ensure that all the rules & regulations of ICAR are strictly adhered to.
- (d) A student will devote his whole-time to the approved training and will not be allowed to accept or hold another appointment paid or otherwise.
- (e) If a student shows unsatisfactory progress during the course of his training or gives up the chosen course of studies before its completion without any prior approval of the Head of Institution, or is irregular in attendance, the stipend will be cancelled by the Head of Institute itself. The stipend once cancelled will not be restored, no matter whatever the reasons adduced.
- (f) Good conduct and regularity in attendance are also implied conditions for the continuance of stipend.

- (g) The Head of the Institution is expected to bring to the notice of the Council any adverse report that may have been necessitated due to habitual /irregularity, misbehaviour, participation in strikes etc. suggesting suspension/cancellation of stipend. The student will not be paid their stipend during the period of strike or during the period the trainee remains on conduct probation.
- (h) A student undergoing RAWE will not be allowed to avail of any other fellowship/scholarship during tenure of stipend of the Council. In case a candidate is already receiving any other fellowship/scholarship it will be surrendered by him before accepting stipend of the Council. Merit cum means scholarship, freeship is, however, not covered under the above conditions.

PROCEDURE OF PAYMENT

Funds will normally be paid by the Council to the Head of the Institution concerned for each academic year in advance on receipt of information regarding the number of students proposed to be granted stipend allowance during the year. The payment of stipend to the students will, however, be made by the Head of the Institution in regular monthly instalments against stamped money receipt after taking into consideration the conduct and regularity in attendance of the scholars during the month for which the stipend is paid. The funds remaining unutilised at the end of the financial year ending 31st March shall be refunded along with the monthly stamped receipts from the student by the Head of the Institution to the Council. No further funds in the succeeding year would be released unless the unutilised amounts along with the money receipts of the preceding year are sent to the Council.

TERMINATION OF THE STIPEND

A student will not leave the course before its completion without prior approval of the Head of the Institute. If any student leaves without permission, he shall not be paid any stipend amount due to him but not paid to him by the Institution.

**Veterinary students are not covered under this programme.*