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**1. INTRODUCTION :**

- 1.1 The Maharashtra Council of Agricultural Education and Research (MCAER- State Council), Pune is a **statutory body** which has been **constituted under Section 12** of the Maharashtra Agricultural Universities (Krishi Vidyapeeths) Act, 1983. **In exercise of the powers conferred upon MCAER**, vide provisions in the **proviso (g) of sub-section 3 of Section 12 of the Act**, common regulation for admission to various degree programmes in the State Agricultural Universities have been formulated.
- 1.2 As per the Government Resolution, Department of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry, Dairy Science and Fisheries No. मकृवि २०१०/प्र.क्र. १५५ / ७अ, दि.२०/१०/२०११ (**Appendix 'A'**) the Government of Maharashtra has finalised the strategy of **reservation of seats**, the **procedure for allotment** of seats under the **reserved category** and **admission procedure**. The MCAER has been empowered (1) to grant permission to start the new Government, Government aided and Non grant Colleges (2) to finalise, prescribe and to execute the central admission process (3) conduct of admission and to decide weightages for admission and (4) to decide the tuition and other fees in the four State Agricultural Universities for Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Ph.D. programme.
- 1.3 In accordance with the approval of the State Council in its 88<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 22/05/2013, vide Subject No.12, the common admission procedure is implemented through the Kalp Technologies Pvt. Ltd. (KTPL), Pune through '**Online Admission System**'.

#### 1.4 JURISDICTION OF AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITIES :

Sr. No.	Name of the Agricultural University	Districts
1.	Mahatma Phule Krishi Vidyapeeth, Rahuri-413 722 Dist.Ahmednagar [MPKV Rahuri]	Ahmednagar, Nasik, Dhule, Nandurbar, Jalgaon, Pune, Solapur, Satara, Sangli and Kolhapur.
2.	Dr.Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Akola-444 104 [Dr.PDKV Akola]	Akola, Amravati, Yavatmal, Washim, Buldana, Wardha, Nagpur, Bhandara, Gondia, Gadchiroli and Chandrapur.
3.	Vasantrao Naik Marathwada Krishi Vidyapeeth, Parbhani-431 402 [MKV Parbhani]	Parbhani, Hingoli, Nanded, Latur, Osmanabad, Beed, Jalna and Aurangabad.
4.	Dr.Balasaheb Sawant Konkan Krishi Vidyapeeth, Dapoli-415 712 Dist.Ratnagiri [Dr. BSKKV Dapoli]	Ratnagiri, Sindhudurg, Raigad, Thane, Palghar, Mumbai City and Mumbai Suburban.

#### 1.5 Definitions:

##### 1.5.1 University Quota ['U' Quota]

The seats reserved for the candidates having Domiciled in the State of Maharashtra/School Leaving Certificate containing place of birth from Maharashtra/birth Certificate issued by the competent authority from Maharashtra and who have passed the qualifying Examination from the jurisdiction of the concerned State Agricultural University from Maharashtra shall be termed as the '**University Quota**' i.e. '**U' Quota**.

##### 1.5.2 Maharashtra Quota ['M' Quota ]

The seats reserved for the candidates having domiciled in the State of Maharashtra/School Leaving Certificate containing place of birth from Maharashtra/birth Certificate issued by the competent authority from Maharashtra shall be termed as the '**Maharashtra Quota**' i.e. '**M' Quota**'. Therefore the students of U quota also eligible for M quota.

##### 1.5.3 Other State quota ['OS' Quota ]

The seats reserved for the **candidates having the domicile of other State from India and whose parents have not stayed in Maharashtra State for minimum of three years within the period of ten years preceding the admission year**, such seats shall be termed as '**Other State Quota- OS Quota**'.

**1.5.4 Spot admission** - Admissions as per merit and reservations on available vacant seats after completion of all proposed online admission rounds in the concerned Colleges/Institute shall be termed as the '**Spot Admission.**' **The attendance of such candidate in that respective College/Institute for on spot admissions is compulsory. Absentee candidate shall not be eligible for spot admission.**

## 2. DETAILS OF INSTITUTIONS AND Ph.D. PROGRAMMES:

Candidates desirous of seeking admission to Ph.D. programmes mentioned under Para 2.1, both for Maharashtra ['M' Quota] and University ['U' Quota] quota shall **submit only one application form.**

**The medium of instruction and examination is English for all the Ph.D. courses.**

### 2.1 FACULTIES, DURATION, CREDIT LOAD AND ELIGIBILITY:

Ph. D. admissions are strictly on merit basis on marks obtained from concern subject in the Ph.D. Common Entrance Test (CET) of respective faculty for the current year conducted by Maharashtra Agricultural Universities Examination Board (MAUEB) and CGPA of the qualifying postdegree examination in the proportion of 70:30 with weightages, respectively.

Sr. No.	Faculty	Duration	Credit Load	Eligibility
1	Agriculture	3 Years (6 Semesters)	70	M.Sc.(Agri.) / M.Sc.(Hort.) Degree in the concerned subject of the Agricultural Universities in Maharashtra or of any other Agricultural University recognised as equivalent thereto and having appearing the Common Entrance Test of concern subject in Agriculture / Horticulture faculty conducted by MAUEB, Pune for the year 2016-17 .
2	Home Science	3 Years (6 Semesters)	70	M.Sc.(Home Science) Degree in the concerned subject of the Agricultural Universities in Maharashtra or of any other Agricultural University recognised as equivalent thereto and having appearing the Common Entrance Test of concern subject in Home Science conducted by MAUEB, Pune for the year 2016-17 .
3	Fisheries	3 Years (6 Semesters)	70	M.F.Sc. Degree in the concerned subject of the Agricultural Universities in Maharashtra or of any other Agricultural University recognised as equivalent thereto and having appearing the Common Entrance Test of concern subject in Fisheries conducted by MAUEB, Pune for the year 2016-17 .
4	Food Technology	3 Years (6 Semesters)	75	M.Tech. (Food Technology) Degree of the Agricultural Universities in Maharashtra or of any other Agricultural University recognised as equivalent thereto and having appearing the Common Entrance Test of concern subject in Food Technology conducted by MAUEB, Pune for the year 2016-17 .

Sr. No.	Faculty	Duration	Credit Load	Eligibility
5	Agricultural Bio-Technology	3 Years (6 Semesters)	70	M.Sc.(Agri.Bio-Tech.) Degree in the concerned subject of the Agricultural Universities in Maharashtra or of any other Agricultural University recognised as equivalent thereto and having appearing the Common Entrance Test of concern subject in Agricultural Bio-Technology conducted by MAUEB, Pune for the year 2016-17 .
6	Agricultural Engineering	3 Years (6 Semesters)	70	M.Tech. (Agricultural Engineering) Degree in the concerned subject of the Agricultural Universities in Maharashtra or of any other Agricultural University recognised as equivalent thereto and having appearing the Common Entrance Test of concern subject in Agricultural Engineering faculty conducted by MAUEB, Pune for the year 2016-17 .

Note:- The students will have to complete the deficiency courses as prescribed by respective University.

## 2.2 Other Conditions

- (i) The candidate should have passed the postgraduate degree examination with minimum 6.5 CGPA on 10.00 point Scale.
- (ii) Conversion formula for 4.00 to 10.00 point scale:

$$y = 1.5 + 2x \text{ for } x = 2 \text{ to } 3.5 \text{ and}$$

$$y = 8.5 + 3 \{x - 3.5\} \text{ for } x = 3.51 \text{ to } 4.00$$

where  $y$  = points in 10.00 point scale and

$x$  = points in 4.00 point scale

## 2.3 Ph.D. INTAKE CAPACITY :

### 2.3.1 (A) Agriculture :

Sr. No.	Subjects	Intake capacity				Total
		MPKV Rahuri	Dr.PDKV Akola	VNMKV Parbhani	Dr.BSKKV Dapoli	
1.	Agronomy	6	3	3	2	14
2.	Agricultural Meteorology*	2	--	--	--	2
3.	Soil Science & Agricultural Chemistry	4	3	3	2	12
4.	Biochemistry	2	--	--	--	2
5.	Agricultural Botany					
	(a) Plant Physiology**	4	2	1	2	9
	(b) Genetics & Plant Breeding	6	3	3	2	14
	(c) Seed Technology	4	--	1	--	5

Sr. No.	Subjects	Intake capacity				Total
		MPKV Rahuri	Dr.PDKV Akola	VNMKV Parbhani	Dr.BSKKV Dapoli	
6.	Extension Education	4	3	3	2	12
7.	Agricultural Economics	4	3	3	2	12
8.	Agricultural Entomology	6	3	3	2	14
9.	Plant Pathology	6	3	3	2	14
10.	Agricultural Microbiology	4	--	--	--	4
11.	Animal Husbandry & Dairy Science					
	(a) Animal Husbandry	4	1	2	1	8
	(b) Dairy Science	4	1	1	1	7
12.	Horticulture				2	2
	(a) Fruit Science	4	4	3	--	11
	(b) Vegetable Science	4	4	3	--	11
	(c) Floriculture and Landscaping	--	2	1	--	3
13.	Irrigation Water Management	2	--	--	--	2
14.	Land Resource Management	--	2	--	--	2
15.	Food Technology	2	--	--	--	2
<b>Total</b>		<b>72</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>162</b>

\* Course is offered at College of Agriculture, Pune.

\*\* If the candidate for Plant Physiology is not available, the said seat may be allotted for Genetics & Plant Breeding.

**(B) Home Science :**

Sr. No.	Subject	Intake Capacity
		VNMKV, Parbhani
1.	Food and Nutrition	2

**(C) Fisheries :**

Sr. No.	Subjects	Intake capacity
		Dr.BSKKV, Dapoli
1.	Aquaculture	2
2.	Fish Processing & Technology	2
3.	Aquatic Environment Management	2
4.	Fisheries Resources Management	2
5.	Fish Nutrition and Feed Technology	1
6.	Fisheries Extension	2
<b>Total</b>		<b>11</b>

**(D) Food Technology :**

Sr. No.	Subject	Intake capacity
		VNMKV, Parbhani
1.	Food Science and Technology	1
2.	Food Engineering	1
3.	Food Chemistry and Nutrition	1
4.	Food Trade and Business Management	1
5.	Food and Industrial Microbiology	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>5</b>

(E) *Agricultural Bio-Technology* :

Sr. No.	Subject	Intake capacity
		Dr.PDKV, AKOLA
1.	Agricultural Biotechnology	3

(F) *Agricultural Engineering* :

Sr. No.	Subject	Intake capacity				Total
		MPKV Rahuri*	Dr.PDKV, Akola	VNMKV, Parbhani	Dr. BSKKV, Dapoli	
1.	Irrigation and Drainage Engineering	3	2	1	2	8
2.	Soil and Water Conservation Engg.	3	2	1	2	8
3.	Process and Food Engineering	--	2	1	2	5
4.	Farm Power and Machinery	--	2	1	2	5
5.	Renewable Energy Sources	--	2	--	2	4
	<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>30</b>

\* One seat in each subject will be filled in from in-service candidates working in Mahatma Phule Kirshi Vidyapeeth, Rahuri .

2.3.2. **UNIVERSITYWISE ABSTRACT OF THE Ph.D. INTAKE CAPACITY.**

Sr. No.	Faculty	MPKV Rahuri	Dr.PDKV Akola	VNMKV Parbhani	Dr.BSKKV Dapoli	Total
1.	Agriculture	72	37	33	20	162
2.	Home Science	--	--	2	--	2
3.	Fisheries	--	--	--	11	11
4.	Food Technology	--	--	5	--	5
5.	Agricultural Bio-Technology	--	3	--	--	3
6.	Agricultural Engineering	6	10	4	10	30
	<b>Total</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>213</b>

**Note:**

- Subjectwise one seat for each subject over and above the intake capacity is reserved for the inservice candidates of Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Akola.
- One seat from the intake capacity in faculty of Fisheries in the subject of Fisheries Extension education is reserved for inservice candidate of Dr. Balasaheb Sawant Kokan Krishi Vidyapeeth, Dapoli. Also one seat for each subject in agriculture faculty over and above the intake capacity of other subjects is reserved for inservice candidates of Dr. Balasaheb Sawant Kokan Krishi Vidyapeeth, Dapoli.
- In Ph.D. Admission 11 seats for Agriculture (one seat in each subject), 4 seats for Agriculture Engineering, 4 seats for Food Technology and 1 seat for Home Science over and above the intake capacity is reserved for inservice candidate of Vasantrao Naik Marathwada Krishi Vidyapeeth, Parbhani.
- However, if among the the intake capacity above seats are found to be vacant then those shall be filled in during spot round, if the vacant position are communicated by university to MCAER, Pune before the said round.
- The desirous inservice candidates shall apply directly to the **Registrar of the respective university to get admission on the seats reserved for inservice candidates.**



### 3. INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES :

3.1 The candidates are required to read the prospectus and application form carefully before filling in the application form 'ONLINE'.

3.2 (i) Each applicant is required to fill in ONLY ONE APPLICATION FORM 'ONLINE' which is available on website **maha-agriadmission.in** a copy of which is also available on website **www.mcaer.org** as **Appendix 'B'** of this Prospectus.

(ii) (a) The **candidate** shall take a printout of duly filled in **ONLINE** application form.

(b) The printout shall be signed by the candidate.

(c) **Mode of Payment-**

**Deposit fees by challan in State Bank of India branch or through Debit Card, Credit Card, Net banking or attach Demand Draft to the application form, payable to the 'Financial Advisor, MCAER, Pune at Pune.** Attach photo copy of challan if amount deposited by challan.

(d) Fees for **open** Candidate is **Rs. 2000/-** and for **Reserved Category Rs.1000/-**.

(iii) All candidates including those belonging to reserved category from States other than Maharashtra shall pay Rs.2000/-.

(iv) Candidate shall send the printout of his duly signed Application form with a recent passport size photograph pasted in a space provided alongwith selfattested copies of relevant documents by Post or by Courier Service to '**Kalp Technologies Pvt. Ltd., Shop 1 & 2, Radhakant Co-op. Hsg. Society, Rambaug Colony, Opp.Krishna hospital, Paud Road, Pune 411 038, Maharashtra**'.

(v) **In case any candidate fills more application forms, the latest filled in and complete application form in all respect will be considered.**

3.3 The candidates should enclose the following duly self attested photo copies (not original) along with the application form.

(a) **Mark sheet / Grade card of qualifying examination.**

(b) (i) **College (Last attended) Leaving Certificate** or bonafide certificate of college where the applicant has already taken admission.

(ii) In respect of candidate from out of Maharashtra State (**Other State- O.S. candidates**), if it is not possible to produce college leaving certificates he/she shall have to produce '**Migration Certificate**' of last attended college.

(iii) The candidate admitted in last academic year in any Agricultural University in Maharashtra if again applies to seek the admission for the current academic year for the First Year Ph.D. Course then the '**Bonafide**

**Certificate' issued from the last attended respective College/Institute will be considered.**

- (iv) **If such candidate is admitted then he/she shall have to produce College Leaving / Transfer Certificate / Migration Certificate within period of THREE months failing which his/her provisional admission shall deemed to have been cancelled.**
- (c) Candidate's or his/her parent's Domicile Certificate issued by the Competent Authority for Maharashtra and other state students too / School Leaving Certificate containing place of birth from Maharashtra/birth Certificate issued by the competent authority from Maharashtra.
- (d) **Certificate of Agriculturist for the year 2014-15 or 2015-16** issued by the Tahasildar or Naib Tahasildar showing that the applicant or his/her parents or grand parents (paternal) is/are owner or tenant, hold agricultural land and whose main source of income is derived from personal cultivation of land. Proforma of this certificate is at Appendix 'C' of the Prospectus **OR issued in the format available with Tahasildar / Naib Tahasildar.**
- (e) Caste certificate in the prescribed format issued by the Competent Authority designated for the purpose in the State.
- (f) **'Non-Creamy Layer Certificate' issued on or after 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016 or valid upto date of submission of application form** by the Competent Authority for candidates seeking admission under **VJ(a), NT(b), NT(c), NT(d) , OBC and SBC categories.**
- (g) **Certificate of 'Project Affected Person' issued by the District Resettlement Officer OR the competent officer empowered (with letter of competent officer if empowered)** of Government of Maharashtra in the prescribed form that his/her parents'/grand parents' land has been acquired by the Government for Agricultural University/Irrigation / Power / Defence Project. **The name of the beneficiary must have been included in the Project Displaced Persons Certificate** issued by the competent authority.
- (h) **A certificate of the Freedom Fighter of the applicant's parents issued under the signature of the Hon. Prime Minister / Chief Minister, Maharashtra State.** A son/daughter of the son/daughter of Freedom Fighter can avail of the benefit, **provided the applicant attaches an affidavit of the Freedom Fighter**

**and if the Freedom Fighter is not alive then his/her wife/husband on the following points on a stamp paper of Rs.100/- (One Hundred) only.**

- (1) The applicant is son/daughter or son/daughter of son/daughter of the Freedom Fighter.
- (2) **The Freedom Fighter has not used this concession for any relative here before** and shall not use the concession for any relative hereafter, if the benefit is availed at this time.

In case of any difficulty, existing Government Resolutions should be referred to settle the grievance.

- (i) **Defence Personnel Certificate from Zilla Sainik Board/discharge Certificate** from Officer Commanding the Regiment or **Serviceman Certificate** from the competent authority.
- (j) **'No-Objection Certificate'** from the employer in case of inservice candidates.
- (k) The candidates applying for admission under 'Physically Handicapped Category' should submit the **Certificate of Handicapped issued by the Competent Authority** (District Civil Surgeon or equivalent Government Hospital/ Medical Board) designated in this behalf.

**The copies attached to the application form are self attested so for authenticity of that to attached self declaration in Appendix 'D' is compulsory.**

**3.4 Application form completed in all respects and received on or before the last date of receipt of the application shall only be considered for admission.**

3.5 As per the Hon. High Court, Nagpur Bench under Public Interest Litigation No. 63/2014 date 24/12/2014 the directives given and the conditions mentioned in coming government resolution will be binding to the Scheduled Tribed candidates and they will have to submit the following documents.

- (1) Scheduled Tribe Candidates should attach self attested copy of Caste Validity Certificate with application form. OR
- (2) In case, candidates do not possess Caste Validity Certificate and the proposal submitted to Scheduled Tribe Caste Scrutiny Committee , such Candidate should attached self attested Xerox copy of receipt of submission to committee and attached undertaking on the Stamp Paper of Rs.100/- as per mentioned in **Appendix 'E'**

Candidates who do not fulfil any of above (1) and (2) point will not be eligible for admission on the seats reserved for Scheduled Tribe.

**3.6 Applications shall be rejected on any one or more of the following deficiencies.**

- (a) If the self attested photo copy of Domicile Certificate/School Leaving Certificate containing place of birth from Maharashtra/birth Certificate issued by the competent authority from Maharashtra is not enclosed.
- (b) If the **printed copy of the filled in application is not signed** by the candidate.
- (c) If a **recent passport size photograph** of the candidate **is not affixed** on the **printed copy** of the filled in application.
- (d) If the duly **self attested photo copy of the Mark Sheet / Grade Card** of the qualifying examination is not submitted / attached.
- (e) If the duly **self attested photo copy of the college (last attended) Transfer Certificate / Leaving Certificate / Migration Certificate** is not attached. (If the Candidate has secured admission for Ph.D. degree elsewhere, Bonafide Certificate of that Institute will be accepted. However, the Candidate should submit the original Leaving Certificate after securing admission within a period of three months.)
- (f) If **'No Objection Certificate' of current academic year from the Employer is not enclosed by the inservice candidate.**
- (g) **If the prescribed fees is not paid.**
- (h) **if not attached self declaration regarding authenticity in case of self attested copies.**

**3.7 In case of a 'Tie' for admission, the following criteria will be applied in the following sequence for deciding the merit number.**

- (a) Higher Marks in MAUEB Common Entrance Test for Ph.D.
- (b) **Higher CGPA** in Post Graduate Examination.
- (c) No of years required to complete postgraduate degree programme and
- (d) The candidate **elder** in age.
- (e) First Online application Number.

**3.8 No documents as mentioned at Para 3.6 will be accepted after submission of application form.**

- 3.9 (i) The candidates seeking admissions are required to give their options in the application form for various Colleges / Institutes offering Ph.D. courses by using the College code Numbers.
- (ii) **Candidates are advised to give maximum preferences in the option form.**
- (iii) **Options once exercised cannot be changed.**
- 3.10 (i) The candidates are advised to fill in accurate information in all the columns.
- (ii) The KTPL or the MCAER, Pune shall **not be responsible for any discrepancy appearing in the application form** which may result in **deciding disadvantageous merit position** of the applicant.
- 3.11 After publication of Final Merit List, the admissions to all courses shall be given after taking into consideration, availability of seats, merit of the student in terms of marks, applicable reservations and the options exercised by the candidate(s).
- 3.12 Preferences given in the application form shall be first considered for allocation of seats from 'M' Quota at the State Level and subsequently for admission from 'U' Quota i.e. University Level Quota.
- 3.13 The list of candidates selected for admission from 'M' Quota and 'U' Quota will be available on the websites **www.mcaer.org** and **maha-agriadmission.in** on the dates specified in the admission schedule.
- 3.14 **Important instructions to candidates** for seeking admission are given in **Appendix 'F'**
- 3.15 As per Government Circular, Higher and Technical Education Department, No.संकीर्ण-2011/(103)/11/ मशि-3, Dt. 18/04/2011 the Candidate desirous of seeking admission for Ph.D. Degree Programme has to give the written promise regarding cleanliness in the **Appendix 'G'**
- 3.16 In case of any litigation as regards the admission process, the English Version of the prospectus shall be considered as valid.

#### **4. ADMISSION PROCEDURE :**

- 4.1 **The candidates shall read the admission process carefully as stated in the Prospectus.**
- 4.2 The **MCAER, Pune** will conduct admission procedure for the State Agricultural Universities **through the KTPL, Pune.**

- 4.3 As per the provisions of Section 5 of the Maharashtra Agricultural Universities (Krishi Vidyapeeths) Act, 1983, admission shall be open to all persons who and whose parents have resided in the State of Maharashtra for not less than three years during the period of ten years preceding the date on which admission is sought. However, for persons who and whose parents have not resided in the State atleast for three years during the period of ten years preceding the date on which admission is sought, the seats will be limited to 2% of intake capacity.
- 4.4 For admission for Ph.D. courses / programmes **after deducting seats to be reserved** for ICAR & OS quota, the
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| (a) | <b>First Seats for all the candidates of the State Agricultural Universities.</b>   | } | <b>50% Seats<br/>'M' Quota.</b> |
| (b) | <b>After Seats from amongst the students who have passed the qualifying examination from the Colleges / Institute situated in the University area</b> | } | <b>50% Seats<br/>'U' Quota.</b> |
- 4.5 **Admission to all Ph.D. courses shall be on the basis of 70% of Marks obtained in Ph.D. Common Entrance Test conducted by Maharashtra Agriculture University Examination Board (MAUEB) and 30% marks of CGPA in graduation and weightages if any.**
- 4.6 The Candidate having domiciled in the State of Maharashtra/School Leaving Certificate containing place of birth from Maharashtra/birth Certificate issued by the competent authority from Maharashtra but having passed the qualifying Examination out of Maharashtra, will be considered only under 'M' quota for admission.
- 4.7 Admission to all the Ph.D. programmes **shall be on merit and provisional.**
- 4.8 **The MCAER/ KTPL shall not be responsible for any postal/courier delay.**
- 4.9 (i) A copy of General Merit List will be displayed on the websites **maha-agriadmission.in and www.mcaer.org** The candidates in their own interest shall see the merit list on the web sites.
- (ii) **The candidates will not be informed about the merit list by post.**
- 4.10 (i) Applicants aggrieved by the merit list can appeal to solve their grievances through their 'Log in ID' & password provided to them on Registration or before the date mentioned in admission programme.

- (ii) **If the applicant fails to appeal on or before last date, his/her case shall not be considered.**
- 4.11 (i) **The candidates should download and print provisional allotment letter using his/her 'login' & 'Password' on web site and report in person to the allotted College on the dates notified in the prospectus for seeking admission alongwith all the original documents, else admission claims shall be treated as not reported and shall deemed to have been cancelled automatically.**
- (ii) Such Candidate shall not be eligible for admission of subsequent online rounds; but he may be considered for 'Spot Admission Round'.
- 4.12 (a) Candidates reporting on the specified dates of admissions will be considered as per merit for filling up the vacancies.
- b) If at any time after admission, it is **found that the candidate has supplied false information for seeking admission, the University shall cancel his/her admission.**
- c) In case of any non action on the part of the University the Director General, MCAER shall be competent to cancel such admission.
- d) During the admission rounds or after completion of admission process if it is found that due to some technical problem in computer programme run or any other reason the undeserving candidate(s) is admitted then the Director General is totally empowered to cancel the admission of such undeserved candidates(s).
- 4.13 (i) At the time of admission, during the course of **physical verification of the original certificates and documents**, if it is noticed that the candidate is **not entitled for the weightage(s)** which has already been given to him while preparing the Final Merit List, **he / she shall not be entitled for the admission in the said College / Institute.**
- (ii) The Dean / Associate Dean shall immediately communicate the facts to the KTPL and the MCAER by **e-mail, also through telephonic message and fax.**
- (iii) The KTPL will workout the **revised merit position** of the applicant and will amend the Final Merit List accordingly and the **said applicant shall be entitled for readmission as per his / her merit and turn.**

- 4.14 Any candidate aggrieved by final admission may submit a review application within a period of **SEVEN** days from the specified dates of admission to the **Director General, MCAER, Pune.**
- 4.15 Admission to various seats shall be final. The candidates so admitted shall not be eligible for change of University / College / Course / Subject.
- 4.16 In normal course, admission once taken will not be cancelled; however, **if any candidate desires to refuse his/her admission** and wants to consider himself / herself for next round of admission then he / she **should report in person to allotted College / Institute** and submit the admission refusal application duly signed in the prescribed format, available at **Appendix 'H'** on or before the last date of reporting date mentioned in the provisional allotment letter. **A fees of Rs.200/- will have to be paid in cash alongwith the refusal application.**
- 4.17 **If any candidate does not refuse his / her admission by remitting Rs.200/-, he / she shall not be considered for the subsequent rounds except the Spot Admission Round.**
- 4.18 If Candidate cancelled / refused his admission then such Candidate will be eligible for other options in next online admission round except cancelled / refused option. Such admission will be cancelled during the period of refusal of admission.
- 4.19 If the **admitted** candidate cancelled his / her admission then he / she shall be eligible to get the admission for the next Online admission round except his / her already operated option. The refund of fees after cancellation of admission is as given below.
- (i) After registration in the respective College/Institute and before the commencement of classes, if the candidate cancels his/her admission **then Rs.1000/- shall be deducted towards Admission Process Fees.**
  - (ii) If the candidate cancels his/her admission after registration and commencement of classes, then **from the month of commencement of classes up to the month of the cancellation of admission the total fees shall recovered monthwise equally for the period of that semester alongwith the hostel fees** (if hostel is provided).
  - (iii) The admitted candidate if registered and cancelled his/her admission **during the admission round implemented after commencement of classes** then from the **month of registration up to the month of cancellation of admission the month**



**wise fees shall be deducted alongwith the hostel fees (if allotted), from the respective candidate.**

- 4.20 Information regarding admission procedure, State level and University level merit and round wise admission status will be available on the websites **maha-agriadmission.in** and **www.mcaer.org**
- 4.21 Important instructions to Dean / Associate Dean are given in **Appendix 'I'**
- 4.22 **No grievances / arguments of the candidates will be entertained**, if he / she fails to get the admission by his/her own negligence, late reporting, technical difficulties, absence to the respective College / Institute and / or his / her personal and any other reason(s).

## 5. RESERVATION OF SEATS :

Certain seats have been reserved for the purpose of admission in the Colleges / Institutes as per the provisions of the Constitution of India, Maharashtra Agricultural Universities (Krishi Vidyapeeths) Act, 1983 and as directed by the State Government vide Government Resolutions from time to time. Such seats are as follows :

Sr. No.	Reserved Category	Percentage	Sr. No	Other Reservation	Percentage
(1)	Scheduled Castes/ Nav-Budha (SC)	13	(1)	Children of Freedom Fighter (FF)	2.00
(2)	Scheduled Tribes (ST)	07	(2)	Physically Handicapped Candidates (Low Vision, Hearing Impairment, Locomotor Disability or Cerebral Palsy (PH)	3.00
(3)	Vimukta Jati (VJ)(a) (14 and others)	03	(3)	Children of Defence Personnel / Ex-serviceman (DP)	2.00
(4)	Nomadic Tribes (NT)(b) (28 & others as listed prior to 1990)	2.5	(4)	Project Affected Person and their children as defined in the Maharashtra Resettlement of Project Displaced Act,1976 (PAP)	4.00
(5)	Nomadic Tribes(NT)(c)	3.5	(5)	Agriculturist and those Children of Agriculturist who possess minimum qualification or experience in Agriculture. (AG)	6.00
(6)	Nomadic Tribes(NT)(d) (Vanjar, Vanjari, Vanjara)	02	(6)	Female Candidates	30.00
(7)	Other Backward Classes (OBC)	19	(7)	Candidates and their parents who have not resided in the State of Maharashtra at least 3 years during the period of 10 years immediately preceding the date on which admission is sought. (OS)	2.00
	Total	50			

## NOTE :

- 5.1 Under the other reservation, Social Reservation in “Sr.no.1 to 6” are **inclusive of merit** in both Open and Reserved Categories.
- 5.2 As per the procedure described in Govt. Circular, General Administrative Department No. SRV-1097/प्र.क्र.३१/९८/१६-अ, dt. 16/3/1999 as appended in **Appendix ‘J’** to get and assure the categorywise percentage under female reservation under other reservation at Sr. No.6.
- 5.3 The Candidates belong to the Special Backward Class category will be consider under Other Backward Class category those candidates previously included in Other Backward Class.
- 5.4 All the above reservations shall be observed as per guidelines issued by the Government of Maharashtra from time to time.
- 5.5 If the candidate from any reserved category is not available during the course of admission process, the seats under such category may be filled in as per directives vide Government Resolution, Department of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry, Dairy Science and Fisheries No. मकृवि २०१०/प्र.क्र. १५५ / ७अ, Dt. २०/१०/२०११. A copy of which is available at **Appendix ‘A’**
- 5.6 Seat distribution shall be collegewise and subjectwise.

## 6 WEIGHTAGES :

0.05 points weightage will be granted for each research paper/note in 10 point scale which have been published in [NAAS- National Academy of Agricultural Science] accredited reputed journal. Mandatory to attached Front Page and Index Page of the Journal in which the Research Paper/Note is published. If research paper/note published online recently, in this case it is compulsory to attached research paper/note with acceptance letter.

**Maximum limit of weightage shall not exceed 0.24 points.**

## 7 SYSTEM OF EDUCATION :

- ❖ The State Agricultural Universities have adopted course ‘Credit System’ under the ‘Semester Pattern’. In this system each academic year is divided into Two Terms not shorter than 20 weeks, called as ‘semester’. Subjects to be taught are divided into self contained units called Courses.
- ❖ These are taught in a semester through lectures, practicals, library reading, field work, assignments, etc.
- ❖ The choice of courses, number of credits to be taken by a student are decided in consultation with advisory committee, keeping in view the existing rules and the performance of the students. If the performance of a student in a particular course is not upto the mark, he may repeat the course whenever, it is offered as per the course layout.

- ❖ Academic rules and regulations updated time to time due to necessity changes. Such updated rules and regulations will be applicable to students.

## **8 REGISTRATION :**

8.1 After verification of application form and original certificates by the Dean of the Post Graduate Institute / College or the Associate Dean of the College, candidate will be allowed to register. Registration shall consist of the following steps:-

- (1) Payment of fees in the office of the Dean, Post Graduate Institute or Associate of the concerned college.
- (2) Enrolment of students in various courses in consultation with the advisory committee & Heads of the Departments.
- (3) Deposition of roster form duly filled in and signed by the student, teacher, the advisors and Head of the Department on the same day or within the prescribed time with the Dean, Post Graduate Institute or Associate Dean of the college, failing which the registration shall be invalid.

## **9 MEDICAL EXAMINATION :**

- ❖ Medical Examination is compulsory for all the students admitted during the first year and the same should be got done from the Civil Surgeon at the district headquarter / Medical Officer at the Rural Hospital / Primary Health Centre as directed by the University/Dean/Associate Dean before the end of first semester.
- ❖ If a student is medically unfit, the Dean / Associate Dean will inform the concerned student and his parent/guardian for rectification of the defects.
- ❖ **If a student is found medically unfit, he is liable to be discontinued from the University.** Such cases would be reported to the Registrar for taking necessary action.
- ❖ If a student fails to appear for the Medical Examination arranged by the University / Dean / Associate Dean, concerned student will have to get himself medically examined from the above medical authority at his own expenses and produce examination report within the period specified by the college authorities.
- ❖ **In case he fails to produce the medical examination report within the specified time, his result shall not be declared.**

## **10. ATTENDANCE :**

- ❖ Every student shall attend all lectures, practicals, library work, extension education visits, study tours and the meetings with advisory committee and concerned teachers.

- ❖ **If a student fails to attend 80% of the total number of lectures, laboratory practicals or field tutorial classes in a course held and deemed to have held during a semester irrespective of his date of registration, he shall not be eligible to appear for semester end examination and shall be awarded 'F' grade.**
- ❖ Such students shall repeat the course when offered.

#### **11. SPORTS AND ALLIED ACTIVITIES :**

Facilities for sports and allied activities are available at all the colleges.

#### **12. HOSTEL ACOMMODATION :**

Hostel accommodation for a limited number of students is available at the hostels of the colleges of the Universities on merit basis. Every student admitted to Colleges is not necessarily given or promised admission to the hostel attached to that College.

#### **13. MEDALS, CASH PRIZES AND AWARDS :**

The medals, awards, and cash prizes are awarded to the meritorious students who top at the various Master degree examinations as per the University regulations as approved by the Executive Council.

#### **14. SCHOLARSHIP AND CONCESSIONS :**

- Government of India Scholarship to reserved category students,
  - Free Studentship to the students of Economically Backward Classes,
  - Government of India National Loan Scholarship,
  - Government of India Merit-cum-means Scholarship (ICAR) / Government of India Post matric Scholarship to SC and ST candidate (ICAR),
  - Merit-cum-Means Scholarship (Government of Maharashtra), etc.
- are available at various constituent/affiliated colleges and will be awarded as per rules in vogue.

#### **15. DISCIPLINE :**

- (i) The cases of unfair means and the cases of misbehavior will be dealt with as per the Rules and Regulations of the University in vogue and as amended from time to time.
- (ii) **In accordance with the provisions made under University Statutes, 1990, a student while studying in the College if allegedly found involving in the activities like ragging, bullying or kidnapping and any other act of indiscipline shall immediately be suspended**

from the College as well as the Hostel without any notice by the Dean / Associate Dean of the College and liable to be expelled from the College by the Vice-Chancellor on the detailed report of the Director of Instruction of the University, as per the instructions of the Dy. Director General (Education), ICAR, New Delhi vide letter No. 6(29)/2007-A. and P., dt. 18/1/2008 regarding **the directives issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on Special Leave to appeal (C) [24295 & 24296-99 of 2004] vide judgment dt. 10/12/2007** and also vide letter No.AGU-2009/pr.a.kra.58/7-A, Dt.06/05/2009 from Dept.of Agriculture, Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development and Fisheries, Mantralaya, Mumbai.

- (iii) Student shall abide by the rules & regulations enforced and approved by the State Council.
- (iv) **Any kind of indiscipline and misbehavior amounting to ragging activities is an offence punishable under the provisions of UGC Regulations on curbing the means of Ragging in higher education institution 2009.**
- (v) **Anti Ragging Act** : In case of ragging, for **24 X 7 Anti Ragging help line contact toll free No. 1800-180-5522**, Email:**helpline@antiragging.net** and web site : '**http://www.ugc.ac.in**'.
- (vi) Each student and his parent / guardian shall have to furnish an affidavit in **Appendix 'K'** to follow scrupulously the provisions of **UGC Regulations on curbing the means of Ragging in higher education institution 2009** and ensure that absolute discipline is maintained in the premises of educational Institute, Hostel campus and University campus etc.

## 16. FEES :

**Fees payable by the students for Ph.D. programmes. (In Rupees)**

Sr. No.	Item	Semester I	Semester II
	<b>A) College / Institute fees.</b>		
1	Tuition Fee	12000	12000
2	Registration fee	500	500
3	Eligibility Fee	500 / 800 ⊗	--
4	Caution Money	2000 <sup>⊙</sup>	--
5	Library fees	1000	1000
6	Subscription towards Students' Council Activities		
	i) Sports, Gymkhana and allied activities.	1000	1000
	ii) Co-operative Society (Share + Membership fee)	200 <sup>#</sup>	--
	iii) Annual Prize Distribution Function	800	--
	iv) College / Institute magazine	400	--
	v) 'Krida Mahotsav' Sport Fee	100	--
7	Medical Examination Fee.	200	--
8	Identity Card	100 <sup>#</sup>	--
9	Student's Aid Fund	200 <sup>#</sup>	--
10	Grade Card	200	200

Sr. No.	Item	Semester I	Semester II
11	Examination Fee	3500	-
12	Students Safety Insurance Premium.	100	--
13	Thesis checking Fee	--	5000
	Total (A)	22800 + [300 <sup>⊗</sup> ]	19700
	<b>(B) Hostel</b>		
1	Hostel Caution money	3000 <sup>⊙</sup>	--
2	Maintenance charges	3000	3000
3	Electricity Charges	3000	3000
4	Mess deposit.	2000	--
	Total (B)	11000	6000
	Grand Total (A+B)	<b>33800 + [300<sup>⊗</sup>]</b>	<b>25700</b>

**Note:-**

- ⊗ The fees to be collected from Other State students.
- ⊙ The fees to be refundable whenever the student leaves the College/ Institute /Hostel.
- # The fees to be charged only once during the student's stay at the College/ Institute.

**Special Instructions :**

- (1) Besides the above fees, Transcript fees of Rs.100/- will be collected at the time of registration at the end of last Semester by the University.
- (2) Various concessions / relaxations offered by the Govt. of Maharashtra to Female students & students of various reserved category shall be applicable *mutatis mutandis*.
- (3) Fees for Grade Card/examination are to be deposited to the respective University.

**17. ADMISSION PROGRAMME :**

17.1 Calendar for admission to Ph.D. Courses for the year 2016-2017.

Sr. No.	Programme	Last Date
1.	Availability of online application form on website	29/09/2016
2.	Last date of receipt of 'online' application form	05/10/2016
3.	Last date of receipt of printed application forms along with self attested copies of required documents at KTPL address.	07/10/2016
4.	Display of provisional Merit List on KTPL & MCAER Web site	09/10/2016
5.	Last date of receipt of grievances.	12/10/2016
6.	Display of Final Merit List on KTPL & MCAER Web site	14/10/2016
7.	(i) Display of First Round allotment list	16/10/2016
	(ii) Last date of reporting	18/10/2016 (upto 5.30 )
8.	(i) Display of Second Round allotment list (with conversion)	20/10/2016
	(ii) Last date of reporting	22/10/2016 (upto 5.30 )
9.	Display of Vacancy positions	23/10/2016
10.	Spot Admission Round (As per procedure mentioned in <b>Appendix 'L'</b> )	24/10/2016 &
		25/10/2016
11.	Commencement of classes	24/10/2016

**NOTE-**

- (1) **Admission process will be continued at concerned Colleges / Institute even on Sundays and Government holidays.**
- (2) **All the vacancies created by various reasons after Second round of admission will be filled in through the Spot Admission Round by the concerned Institute from the Final Merit list published by the KTPL Pune.**
- (3) No call letters will be sent to the candidates for the admission programme.

17.2 The prospectus contains only the gist of the Admission Rules and also of Academic Regulations for different Ph.D. Degree Programmes. For more details, the Rules and Regulations shall be referred.

**18. The website maha-agriadmission.in shall be active from 29<sup>th</sup> September,2016.  
Pune.**

**Date : 26/09 /2016**

**SHRIKANT KAKDE  
Director General  
Maharashtra Council of Agriculture  
Education & Research,  
Pune-411 007.**

## CHECK LIST OF DOCUMENTS FOR ADMISSION

Sr . No.	ITEMS	YES / NO
(1)	(i) <b>Domicile Certificate/School Leaving Certificate containing place of birth from Maharashtra / Birth Certificate issued by the competent authority from Maharashtra.</b>	
	(ii) <b>Domicile certificate / Residential certificate / Community, Nativity and Date of birth certificate from Other State Candidate.</b>	
(2)	<b>Mark sheet / Grade Card of qualifying examination.</b>	
(3)	<b>College/ Institute Leaving/ Transfer Certificate (last attended)/ Bonafide certificate</b> of the college where admission has already been taken.	
(4)	Caste Certificate issued by competent Authority designated in the State.	
(5)	Caste Validity Certificate or receipt of submission to Scheduled Tribe Caste Scrutiny committee with undertaking on the Stamp Paper of Rs.100/- as per mentioned in Appendix 'E' for Scheduled Tribe Candidates.	
(6)	<b>Non Creamy Layer Certificate</b> issued after 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2016 or valid as on date of admission.	
(7)	(A) Whether the ' <b>Certificate of the Freedom Fighter</b> ' issued in favour of parents / Grand parents of the Candidate is issued under the signature of the Hon. Prime Minister / Chief Minister, Maharashtra State.	
	(B) If yes, whether an <b>Affidavit of the Freedom Fighter and if the Freedom Fighter is not alive then his/her wife/husband on the Stamp Paper of Rs.100/-</b> has been enclosed?	
	(C) If yes, whether the following points have been mentioned in it ?	
	(1) The candidate is son/daughter of the Freedom Fighter or son/daughter of son/daughter of the Freedom Fighter.	
	(2) The Freedom Fighter has not used this concession for any relative here before.	
	(3) The Freedom Fighter shall not use the concession for any relative hereafter, if the benefit is availed at this time.	
(8)	<b>'Certificate of Defense Personnel (DP)'</b> issued by the Zilla Sainik Welfare Officer/ Discharge Certificate issued by the Officer Commanding the Regiment or Serviceman Certificate issued by the Competent Authority.	
(9)	<b>'Certificate of Physically Handicapped (PH)'</b> issued by District Civil Surgeon or equivalent Government hospital/ Medical board. [The percentage of disability shall not be less than 40% in case of candidate seeking reservation for physically handicapped category.]	
(10)	<b>'Certificate of Project Affected Person (PAP)'</b> issued by District Resettlement Officer/ Rehabilitation Officer / OR the competent officer, empowered ( <b>with letter of competent officer if empowered</b> ) of Government of Maharashtra in the prescribed form that his/her parents'/grand parents' land has been acquired by the Government for Agricultural University/ Irrigation/ Power/ Defence Project having the name of beneficiary.	
(11)	<b>'Certificate of Agriculturist (AG)'</b> for the year 2014-15 or 2015-16 issued by the Tahsildar/ Naib Tahsildar <b>OR issue in the format available with Tahasildar / Naib Tahasildar</b> showing that the applicant or his/her parents or grand parents (Paternal) is/ are owner or tenant, holds agricultural land and whose main source of income is derived from personal cultivation of land.	
(12)	Research paper/note published in [NAAS- National Academy of Agricultural Science] accredited reputed journal. (With Front Page and Index Page of the Journal) If research paper/note published online recently, in this case research paper/note with acceptance letter.	
(13)	<b>'No objection Certificate'</b> of current academic year from employer if employed	
(14)	Self Declaration in ' <b>Appendix D</b> ' regarding authenticity of self attested copies	
(15)	Undertaking in ' <b>Appendix G</b> ' regarding cleanliness habits	