

About Venue

The conference will be held at the Shatabdi Krishi Preksha Grih, Institute of Agricultural Sciences, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh. The climate during the conference will be cool. The temperature will vary between 15-20°C. The city is well connected by rail, road and air.

Registration & Accommodation Details

The registration fee will include the participation in the conference, conference kit, conference proceedings, working lunch, dinner, snacks and cultural programme. During the conference there will be some provision for local site seeing on payment basis. Delegates will be accommodated in a hotel/ University Guest House on payment basis subject to availability. International Delegates are requested to ask for invitation letter for processing their visa application.

Reservations

Delegates are requested to make their own arrangements for their onward and return journeys. It is essential to ensure advance reservation in bus/train/air to avoid last minute rush.

Mode of Payment

The registration fees shall be paid through demand draft in favour of 'IEECBHU2027', payable at Varanasi, India OR through electronic transfer at State Bank of India, BHU branch, Varanasi, A/c No. 45286798111, IFSC Code No. SBIN0000211. (A copy of your bank transfer details may please be attached with the registration form.

Registration Link : <https://forms.gle/eXXB95q2yFdJ1Jk9A>

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Students	2,500/-	3,000/-
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Academicians	US \$150	US \$175
Students	US \$125	US \$150

IMPORTANT DATE :

Submission of Abstracts	-	15 th December, 2026
Communication of Acceptance	-	28 th December, 2026
Full length paper submission	-	31 st December, 2026
Conference Dates	-	21 st - 24 th January, 2027
Last date for registration	-	31 st December, 2026

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Background

The contemporary world is confronted with complex and interlinked challenges, including climate variability, natural resource degradation, nutritional insecurity, rural distress, technological disruptions and widening socio-economic disparities. Addressing these multidimensional concerns requires transformative and inclusive innovation across Agriculture, Animal Sciences, Fisheries and Home Science systems. Within this evolving landscape, Agricultural Extension and Extension Education have emerged as pivotal instruments for translating scientific knowledge into socially relevant and locally adaptable solutions.

Since its early conceptual foundations in England and its systematic institutionalization in the United States of America, extension has evolved from a technology transfer paradigm to a pluralistic, participatory and innovation-driven system. Over time, it has integrated advances in crop science, livestock production, fisheries management, family and community sciences, rural entrepreneurship and digital advisory services. These developments have strengthened research-extension-farmer linkages and enhanced the capacity of farm families to adopt sustainable, climate resilient and income-enhancing practices.

Today, extension systems operate at the intersection of agricultural productivity, livestock health, fisheries sustainability, nutritional security, women's empowerment, and rural enterprise development. The increasing complexity of soil-water-plant-animal-human interactions, coupled with the digital transformation of advisory services, necessitates a renewed scholarly engagement with extension theory, governance, pedagogy and practice.

The International Extension Education Conference (IEEC-BHU2027) is conceived as a global forum to critically examine emerging innovations, institutional reforms, participatory approaches and interdisciplinary strategies shaping extension systems worldwide. It seeks to foster dialogue among researchers, policymakers, extension professionals, development practitioners and agri-preneurs to evaluate evidence-based interventions and explore scalable pathways for holistic rural transformation.

By bringing together diverse disciplinary perspectives from agriculture and allied sciences to home science and fisheries, the conference aims to re-envision extension education in alignment with sustainability, inclusivity, technological advancement and community well-being. The deliberations and scholarly contributions are expected to inform future policy frameworks, strengthen curriculum design in Extension Education and contribute to resilient and equitable agri-food and rural systems, with farm families at the center of development.

Objectives Of The Conference

The objective of this conference is to invite worldwide thinkers and stakeholders on Agricultural Education and Extension to share their expertise, experiences, to analyze the present situations of extension teaching, research and extension services, and to build the future programmes. In the process, there is a need to observe this gap, the changes, perception, demand and again re-evaluate the scope and importance of extension education, extension services and its future.

Anticipated Outcome Of The Conference

The conference aims to explore pertinent examples of the research translated into practice via extension. There are many new and exciting extension approaches yet to be included in teaching and research. It will be wise to discuss novel methods of extension practice. The methods of extension teaching, research and extension service have to meet the demands of the time. The conference will serve as a conclave to listen to others about how they think and resolve the farmers problems through extension approaches

THEMES :

- I – Digital and Smart Agricultural Extension Systems
- II – Climate-Smart and Sustainable Agricultural Systems
- III – Inclusive and Participatory Extension Systems
- IV – Policy, Governance and Institutional Partnerships in Extension

THEME I : DIGITAL AND SMART AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SYSTEMS

- Digital Extension Platforms for Inclusive Agricultural Development
- Artificial Intelligence (AI), Internet of Things (IoT) and Precision Agriculture in Extension Services
- Mobile and ICT-enabled Advisory Systems for Farmers and Rural Communities
- Experiential and Transformative Learning Models in Agricultural and Allied Extension
- Data-Driven Decision Support Systems (DSS), Big Data Analytics and Climate-Smart Advisory Services in Agricultural Extension

THEME II : CLIMATE-SMART AND SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURAL SYSTEMS

- Extension Strategies for Climate-Smart Agriculture, Natural Resource Conservation and Green Initiatives
- Sustainable Agricultural Transitions for Poverty Reduction, Food and Nutritional security and Rural Well-being
- Agro-ecological Innovations: Soil Health, Water Stewardship, Crop System and Biodiversity Conservation.
- Impact Assessment and Scaling Pathways for Sustainable Extension Innovations
- Climate Risk Management, Resilience Building and Carbon Smart Farming Approaches in Agricultural Extension

THEME III : INCLUSIVE AND PARTICIPATORY EXTENSION SYSTEMS

- Gender-Transformative, Youth-Centric and Collective Extension Approaches
- Farmer-Led Extension and Community-Based Knowledge Systems
- Indigenous, Traditional & Indian Knowledge Systems in Sustainable Extension Models
- Impact Evaluation of Participatory and Collective Extension Interventions for economic & Inclusive Development
- Social Inclusion, Equity and Institutional Convergence in Agricultural Extension for Marginalized and Smallholder Farmers

THEME IV : POLICY, GOVERNANCE AND INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERSHIPS IN EXTENSION

- Policy Reforms and Institutional Innovations for Pluralistic Extension Systems.

- Research-Extension-Farmer Linkages in Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems
- Public-Private-Community Partnership Models in Agricultural Extension Services
- Impactful Extension Experiences in Transforming Rural Communities
- Skill-Based Extension for Agripreneurship, Start-ups and Sustainable Rural Livelihoods
- Digital Governance, Monitoring & Evaluation Frameworks and Evidence-Based Policymaking in Agricultural Extension Systems

Who May Participate :

Agricultural personnel, extension workers, professors, teachers, job providers, scientists, financial organizations, policy makers, administrators, NGO managers, farmers, students and other professionals and stakeholders related to agricultural extension research and extension service.

Abstract Format :-

Accepted abstracts will be a concise summary of factual information and not simply a general description of what the author plans to present. A high-quality abstract contains the following key elements (without designating them as such): (1) a brief introduction, including objectives of the presentation; (2) relevant experimental conditions indicating the scope of study or survey (authors of predominantly philosophical works may substitute other appropriate criteria); (3) observations, results, or data (however, data should be in summary form and not presented in tables or graphs) - philosophical abstracts must demonstrate application of said philosophy; and (4) a concise summary

Guidelines for IEEC-BHU 2027 Abstracts :-

- Abstracts are limited to one paragraph of 250 words. The total count of words does not include the title of the paper, the author's name, designation and institutional affiliation.
- Create the abstract with MS Word or compatible software with single spacing, using Times New Roman font of 12 point or similar.
- Title of abstract should be brief and precise and in bold. Author(s) name(s) and affiliation(s) is/are written just below the title of the paper.
- The first author/ submitting author should be the contact author corresponding author (his/ her mail ID to be mentioned without fail).
- The presenting author's name should be followed by an asterisk.
- Do not include illustrations or bibliographical references in the abstract.
- Abstract should contain at least 5 key words.
- Indicate if you would like to be considered for an oral presentation. Those not chosen for oral presentations will be considered for posters.
- If an author submits multiple abstracts, the topic and content of each must differ substantially.
- Abstract should stand alone and contain valuable information for both those in attendance as well as those who read it in the compendium. Abstracts are subject to editing before publication.
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