

Krishi Kalyan Abhiyan - [Government Schemes for UPSC]

The Krishi Kalyan Abhiyan was launched by the Government of India in order to provide farmers with help and advice on the best technology and income enhancement programs. Students preparing for the [IAS Exam](#) must be aware of this Government Scheme.

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Krishi Kalyan Abhiyan Scheme

The Krishi Kalyan Abhiyan was launched by the Government of India in 2018 under the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare.

The scheme was incorporated under the vision of doubling farmers' income by the year 2022.

- It was launched with an aim to aid, assist and advise farmers to improve their farming techniques and increase their incomes.
- Under the Krishi Kalyan Abhiyan, various activities to promote best practices and enhance agricultural income are undertaken in accordance with an action plan.
- The action plan is formulated by including various departments of the Ministry such as the:
 - Department of Agriculture Cooperation & Farmers' Welfare (DAC&FW),
 - Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries (DAHD&F), etc.
- The Scheme will be implemented in 25 villages having population of 1000 or more in [Aspirational Districts](#). These districts are identified with the consultation of the Ministry of Rural Development in accordance with the guidelines of [NITLAayog](#).
- In case the number of villages in a district is less than 25 with more than 1000 population then all the villages will be covered.
- The overall coordination and implementation will be done by Krishi Vigyan Kendra.

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Functions of Krishi Kalyan Abhiyan

The functions and activities of the Krishi Kalyan Abhiyan Scheme are listed below:

- Distributing Soil Health Cards to the farmers
- Providing complete coverage for Bovine Vaccination in all the villages for Foot & Mouth Disease (FMD)
- Providing complete coverage for PPR [Peste des Petits Ruminants] eradication in Sheep and Goats
- Artificial insemination saturation
- Demonstrating programs on Integrated Crop Practice, Micro-Irrigation, etc.
- Distributing Mini Kits of Oilseeds and Pulses to all the farmers
- Distributing Agro-Forestry, Horticulture or Bamboo plants at a very low rate of Rs. 5 to all the families.

In order to get the facilities incorporated, the demonstration of programs on Integrated Crop Practice, Micro-Irrigation, etc are important. They help the farmers to be familiar with the latest technologies and its implementation at grassroot levels.

The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) conducts training programmes in each village for mushroom cultivation, bee keeping and kitchen gardens where women participants are encouraged.

Micro-Irrigation Fund

National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development ([NABARD](#)) has set up a fund of ₹5000 crore which will provide the amount to states on concessional rate of interest to promote micro-irrigation, as part of its objective to boost agricultural production and farmers' income.

