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VALUE ADDED COURSE

Farm Structures and Rural Infrastructure:

Design and Construction of Agricultural Facilities

Faculty of Agricultural Sciences



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Farm Structures and Rural Infrastructure: <u>Design and Construction of Agricultural</u> Facilities

Course Overview: This course aims to provide learners with an understanding of farm structures and rural infrastructure, including the design and construction of agricultural facilities. Through lectures, case studies, and hands-on activities, learners will develop skills in designing and constructing various agricultural facilities, such as farm buildings, irrigation systems, and rural roads.

Course Outcomes: Upon completion of this course, learners will be able to:

- 1. Understand the principles and concepts of farm structures and rural infrastructure, including the importance of proper design and construction in agriculture.
- 2. Design and evaluate agricultural facilities, such as farm buildings, irrigation systems, and rural roads, based on their intended purpose and function.
- 3. Apply knowledge of farm structures and rural infrastructure to improve farm efficiency, productivity, and profitability.
- 4. Identify and assess the environmental and social impacts of farm structures and rural infrastructure, and design strategies to mitigate them.
- 5. Understand the economic and policy factors that influence the design and construction of agricultural facilities, and apply this knowledge to develop sustainable rural infrastructure plans.



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Course Outline:

Module 1: Introduction to Farm Structures and Rural Infrastructure

- Importance of proper design and construction of agricultural facilities
- · Basic concepts of farm structures and rural infrastructure
- Types of agricultural facilities for different types of landscapes

Module 2: Farm Buildings

- Design principles and criteria for farm buildings, such as barns, sheds, and storage facilities
- Performance evaluation and optimization of farm buildings
- Case studies of successful farm building applications in different landscapes

Module 3: Irrigation Systems

- Design principles and criteria for irrigation systems, such as drip and sprinkler systems
- Performance evaluation and optimization of irrigation systems
- Case studies of successful irrigation system applications in different landscapes

Module 4: Rural Roads

- Design principles and criteria for rural roads, including drainage and erosion control
- Performance evaluation and optimization of rural roads
- · Case studies of successful rural road applications in different landscapes

Module 5: Environmental and Social Impacts of Farm Structures and Rural Infrastructure

• Environmental and social impacts of farm structures and rural infrastructure, including land use, biodiversity, and community development



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- Strategies to mitigate the environmental and social impacts of farm structures and rural infrastructure
- Case studies of successful environmental and social management of farm structures and rural infrastructure

Module 6: Economic and Policy Aspects of Farm Structures and Rural Infrastructure

- Economic and policy factors influencing the design and construction of agricultural facilities
- Financing and investment options for farm structures and rural infrastructure
- Sustainable rural infrastructure planning and implementation

Assessment:

- Quizzes and assignments will be given at the end of each module to test learners' understanding of the concepts covered.
- A final project will require learners to design an agricultural facility for a specific landscape.

Course Duration: This course is designed to be completed in 8 weeks, with approximately 4 hours of study per week.



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Book References:

- 1. Farm Buildings: A Compilation of Plans for General Farm Barns, Cattle Barns, Dairy Barns, Hog Barns, Sheep Folds, Poultry Houses, Silos, Feeding Racks, Farm Gates, Sheds, Etc. by The Sanders Publishing Company
- 2. Irrigation Engineering and Hydraulic Structures by Santosh Kumar Garg
- 3. Rural Roads: A Construction and Maintenance Guide for Low-Volume Roads in India by the Indian Academy of Highway Engineers
- 4. Sustainable Rural Infrastructure Development: Fundamentals and Applications by B. S. Das and S. K. Gupta
 - Planning and Designing Rural Roads by P. K. Sarkar and S. K. Gangopadhyay

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