

Name of the Tool

Handbooks of Farmers

Home Page



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URL

http://farmer.gov.in/farmerhandbooks.html

Subject

Agriculture--India--Handbooks, manuals, etc.

Accessibility

Free

Language

Beta version is in English and Hindi (Full version in different languages are in the development.)

Publisher

The Department of Agriculture & Cooperation,  
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare,  
Government of India

## ***Brief History***

The Farmers' Portal website had launched in 17 August 2016 by the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, and Government of India to create one stop shop for meeting all informational needs relating to agriculture, animal Husbandry and fisheries sectors production, sale/storage of an Indian farmer. This website was launched with the hope that a farmer will be able to get all relevant information on specific subjects around his village/block /district or state. This information will be delivered in the form of text, SMS, email and audio/video in the language he or she understands. These levels can be easily reached through the Map of India placed on the Home page. Farmers will also be able to ask specific queries as well as give valuable feedback through the Feedback module specially developed for the purpose. At present the portal have almost fulfill the hopes still some handbooks are under development.

## ***Scope and Coverage***

The all the handbooks of this handbook series are arranged under broader geographical spaces except one the “All India Farmer Friendly Handbook - Govt. of India: Schemes and Programmes 2014”, English and Hindi version. The following list presents the other handbooks under different states in India.

<b>States</b>	<b>Titles</b>
Bengali	Farmer Friendly Handbook For Bengali 2014
Bihar	Farmer Friendly Handbook For Bihar (Hindi)
Chattisgarh	Farmer Friendly Handbook For Chattisgarh (Hindi) 2014
Delhi	Farmer Friendly Handbook For Delhi (Hindi)
Gujrat	Farmer Friendly Handbook For Gujrat 2014(State Components) (Gujrati)  Farmer Friendly Handbook For Gujrat (Gujrati)
Himachal Pradesh	Farmer Friendly Handbook- Govt. of Himachal Pradesh: Schemes & Programmes in 2014( English)  Farmer Friendly Handbook- Govt. of India: Schemes & Programmes in 2014( Hindi)
Jharkhand	Farmer Friendly Handbook For Jharkhand (Hindi) 2014
Karnatka	Farmer Friendly Handbook- Govt. of Karnatka : Schemes & Programmes in 2014
Kerala	Farmer Friendly Handbook For Kerala 2014
Maharashtra	Shetakari Mitra Pustika (Marathi) 2014
Manipur	Farmer Friendly Handbook for Manipur 2014
Mizoram	Farmer Friendly Handbook For Mizoram (English) 2014
Nagaland	Farmer Friendly Handbook For Nagaland 2014

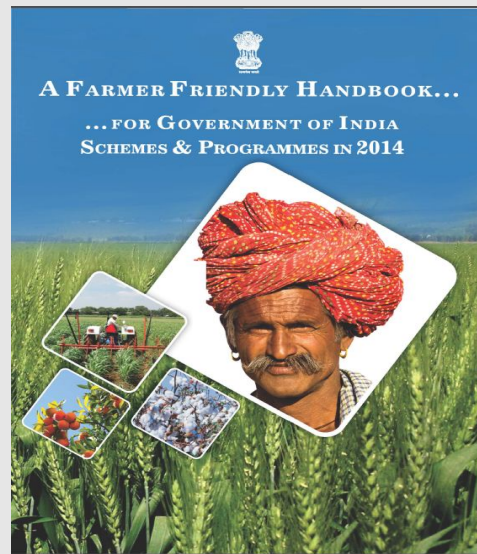
Orissa	Farmer Friendly Handbook For Orissa 2014
Punjab	Farmer Friendly Handbook- Govt. of Punjab : Schemes & Programmes in 2014
Sikkim	Farmer Friendly Handbook For Sikkim 2014
Tripura	Farmer Friendly Handbook- Govt. of Tripura : Schemes & Programmes in 2014
Uttarakhand	Farmer Friendly Handbook For Uttarakhand 2014

The above handbooks are written in the state level languages. But some of them are under development, like, Farmer Friendly Handbook For Bengali 2014, Farmer Friendly Handbook For Gujarat 2014(State Components) (Gujrati), Farmer Friendly Handbook For Delhi (Hindi) etc.

***Kind of Information***

The entire listed handbook has a very attracting colorful cover page. The handbook under specific state is written in that particular state language. If we talking about the following handbook which is written in English and Hindi language, the following kind of information is revealed:

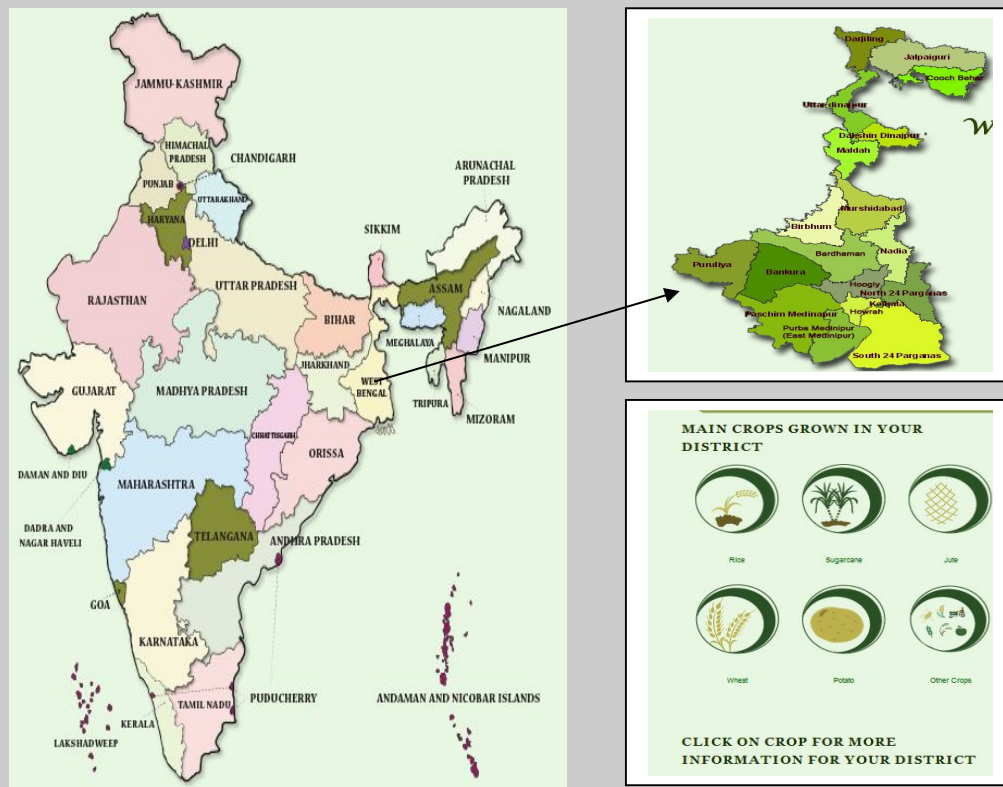
This 45 pages handbook “All India Farmer Friendly Handbook - Govt. of India: Schemes and Programmes 2014” starts with a following colorful cover which almost depicts the purpose and content:



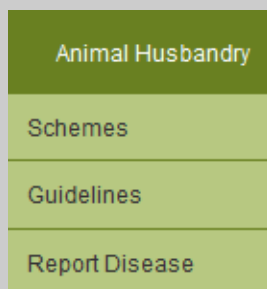
Then the text starts with the necessity of this handbook, with colored sketches, Soil Health, Soil Conservation and Fertilizers with tabular representations, the treatments of seeds with images and tables, irrigation, needed mechanization and technology, important information about agricultural credit and insurance, plant protection. The handbook also includes the methods and necessary information about the cultivation of fruits, vegetables and flowers for higher income. It gives a way out to do agricultural marketing and information on integrated farming. The handbook is supplemented with lots of images, tables and closed with beautiful colored page.

## Special Features

- Provision for Click on the State and Navigate to the Block and Crop.



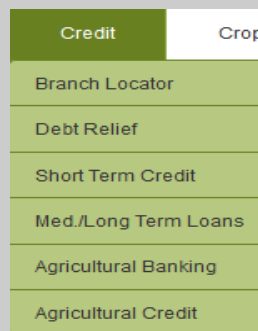
- The handbook contains farmer friendly literature printed during Krishi Vasant 2014.
- About animal husbandry there are following information:



- Under the heading “Agricultural Corner” there is following additional information and services to the farming community and private sector through the use of information and communication technologies, to supplement the existing delivery channels provided for by the department.



- The heading “Credit” at the home page of the website provides following information:



- The heading “Crop” gives information under following options:



- This hand book provides extension service under following options:

#### Extension Activities

Demonstrations

Farmer Friend

Farm School

**Arrangement Pattern** The handbooks of this web portal are arranged under the states. The alphabetically arranged states include the handbooks.

#### Remarks

This handbook is very much good source on Indian agriculture, and animal husbandry and it is expected that by this website with these handbooks and other services a farmer will be able to get all relevant information on specific subjects around his village/block /district or state. This information will be delivered in the form of text, SMS, email and audio/video in the language he or she understands. These levels can be easily reached through the Map of India placed on the Home page. Farmers will also be able to ask specific queries as well as give valuable feedback through the Feedback module specially developed for the purpose. With this handbook the Farmers' portal is envisaged to make available relevant information and services to the farming community and private sector through the use of information and communication technologies, to supplement the existing delivery channels provided for by the department. Farmers' Portal is an endeavour in this direction to create one stop shop for meeting all informational needs relating to agriculture, animal husbandry and fisheries sectors production, sale/storage of an Indian farmer. With this Indian Farmer will not be required to sift through maze of websites created for specific purposes.

#### Comparable Tools

- Hand Book of Agriculture  
(<http://www.icar.org.in/en/node/871>)
  
- The Park Gardener's Handbook  
(<http://parkseed.com/gardeners-handbook/a/10/>)
  
- Commercial Tomato Production Handbook  
(<http://extension.uga.edu/publications/detail.cfm?number=B1312>)

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