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ICAR sponsored short course on “Preparation of bioformulation of fungal and bacterial biocontrol agents for management of biotic stress of agricultural crops” from 1st Sept to 10th Sept, 2017 at AAU, Jorhat, Assam
Use of biocontrol agents not only manages the plant diseases with ecological balance, but also promotes production of safe food. It reduces the use of synthetic pesticides and plant pathogen can not develop resistance against the biocontrol agents. At AAU, Jorhat we identified potential biocontrol agents for the management of fungal, bacterial and nematode diseases and insect pests. The protocol for mass culture and bioformulation with higher shelf life has been standardized. Training will be imparted on the techniques with an aim to disseminate the knowledge among the participant of different parts of the country.

Subject Areas Covered
1. Isolation of fungal and bacterial biocontrol agents from rhizosphere, phylosphere, and insect cadavers
2. Taxonomic and molecular characterization
3. Maintenance of culture
4. Identification of potential biocontrol agents
5. Mass culture of biocontrol agents
6. Factor affecting the bioformulation
7. Role spreader, sticker and adjuvant in preparation of bioformulation
8. Preparation of high quality liquid and solid bioformulation
9. Shelf life study, Quality control

AAU at a Glance
Assam Agricultural University is the first institution of its kind in the whole of North Eastern Region of India. The main goal of this institution is to produce globally competitive human resources in farm sector and to carry out research in both conventional and frontier areas for production optimization as well as to disseminate the generated technologies as public good for benefiting the food growers/ producers and traders involved in the sector while emphasizing on sustainability, equity and overall food security at regional and national level. The university is the recipient of country’s prestigious “Sardar Patel Outstanding Institution Award, 2014” conferred by Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) for performing excellence in the field of research, teaching and extension activities.

How to reach AAU
AAU is located in Jorhat which is one of the hubs of tea industry of Assam. Jorhat is well connected by road, air and rail networks. The university is at a distance of 5 km from Inter-State Bus Terminus (ISBT), Jorhat; 6 km from Jorhat Town Railway Station and 4 km from Jorhat Airport. Jorhat is connected through direct trains and flight service from different parts of the country. Also Jorhat has regular bus, train and flight services from Guwahti, 300 km away from Jorhat.

Travel and Accommodation
The participants will be paid for the journey, to and fro, restricted to AC-II-tier train fare or bus. TA will be paid from the place of duty to the short course training location (AAU) and back by the shortest route. Facilities for boarding and lodging will be made available for the participants free of cost at AAU- Guest House. Local participants are not eligible for boarding and lodging, however, local hospitality i.e. working lunch, tea, etc. will be provided.