

Uttar Banga Krishi Viswavidyalaya

P.O.- Pundibari, Dist.- Coochbehar, Pin – 736165

West Bengal

Admission Notification No. UBKV-Ph.D./01/2026

Applications in prescribed form are invited through online only at www.ubkv.ac.in for admission to Ph.D. Programme under Research Scholar / In-service Research Scholar category in the following disciplines under the Faculties of Agriculture and Horticulture for the session 2026-2027. The candidate must satisfy one of the qualifications as given in Annexure-I as indicated against the relevant disciplines to which admission is sought in Ph. D. Programme.

The number of seats under different disciplines are given below-

1. Ph.D. (Agriculture) -

Faculty of Agriculture:

Sl. No.	Discipline	Total no of allotted Seats	ICAR Seat (30%)	Order of Admission Category, in case of vacancy in ICAR seat	University Seats	State Domiciled (80%)	Open (20%)	In-Service
1.	Agril. Economics	03	01	1: State Domicile UR(PWD)-1	02	2 SC-1 UR-1	-	-
2.	Entomology	06	02	1: State Domicile UR-1 2: State Domicile UR(PWD)-1; State Domicile UR-1	04	3 UR-2 SC-1	1 UR-1	-
3.	Agril. Extension Education	06	02	1: State Domicile UR-1 2: State Domicile SC-1; State Domicile UR-1	04	3 UR-1 SC-1 OBC - 1	1 UR-1	-
4.	Agril. Statistics	06	02	1: State Domicile- SC-1 2: State Domicile UR-1; State Domicile –SC-1	04	3 UR-1 SC-1 EWS-1	1 UR-1	-
5.	Agronomy	06	02	1: State Domicile- SC-1 2: State Domicile- UR-1; State Domicile- SC-1	04	3 UR-2 SC-1	1 UR-1	1
6.	Bio-Chemistry	06	02	1: State Domicile UR- 1 2: State Domicile SC-1; State Domicile- UR- 1	04	3 UR-1 SC-1 EWS- 1	1 UR-1	-
7.	Genetics & Plant Breeding	06	02	1: State Domicile ST-1 2: State Domicile EWS-1; State Domicile ST-1	04	3 UR-1 UR(PWD)-1 SC-1	1 UR-1	1
8.	Plant Pathology	06	02	1: State Domicile UR-1 2: State Domicile- SC-1; State Domicile UR-1	04	3 UR-2 SC-1	1 UR-1	1
9.	Seed Science & Technology	05	02	1: State Domicile UR-1 2: State Domicile SC- 1 ; State Domicile UR-1	03	2 SC-1 OBC-1	1 UR-1	-

Sl. No.	Discipline	Total no of allotted Seats	ICAR Seat (30%)	Order of Admission Category, in case of vacancy in ICAR seat	University Seats	State Domiciled (80%)	Open (20%)	In-Service
10.	Soil Science	06	02	1: State Domicile- EWS-1	04	3 UR(PWD)-1 SC-1 ST-1	1 UR-1	2
				2: State Domicile UR-1; State Domicile- EWS-1				

2. Ph. D. (Horticulture) –

Faculty of Horticulture:

Sl. No.	Discipline	Total no of allotted Seats	ICAR Seats (30%)	Order of Admission Category, in case of vacancy in ICAR seat	University Seats	State Domiciled (80%)	Open (20%)	In service
1.	Floriculture and Landscaping	02	01	1: State Domicile- UR-1	01	1 SC-1	-	-
2.	Silviculture & Agroforestry	03	01	1: State Domicile- SC-1	02	2 UR-1 OBC- 1	-	-
3.	Fruit Science	06	02	1: State Domicile SC-1	04	3 UR-1 SC-1 OBC -1	1 UR-1	-
				2: State Domicile- UR-1; State Domicile SC-1				
4.	Plantation, Spices, Medicinal and Aromatic Crops	04	01	1: State Domicile SC-1	03	2 UR- 1 OBC -1	1 UR-1	-
5.	Postharvest Management	02	01	1: State Domicile- EWS-1	01	1 UR-1	-	-
6.	Vegetable Science	06	02	1: State Domicile UR-1	04	3 UR-1 SC-1 EWS-1	1 UR-1	1
				2: State Domicile- UR-1; State Domicile UR-1				

- In case any seat falls vacant due to non-availability of state domicile un-reserved candidates, it will be filled up by non-domicile candidates (if any) on the basis of Merit list.
- The number of seats may change subject to availability of eligible teacher/Guide in each Department.
- 02 Seats shall be reserved for Kashmiri migrants over and above the normal student intake.
- SC/ST/OBC/EWS candidates of outside the state of West Bengal shall be treated as General category candidates.
- Foreign students will be admitted following University Guideline only.
- Application for admission to Ph. D. Degree Programme is to be made **ONLINE** only.

The details of Admission Programme are furnished below :

IMPORTANT DATES:

1. Date of start of submission of application form: 24.08.2026 (23:59:59 Hrs.)
2. Last date of submission of application form: 14.09.2026 (23:59:59 Hrs.))
3. Publication of list of eligible candidates for Entrance Test: 17.09.2026
4. Entrance Test: 30.09.2026
5. Publication of Merit List: 01/10/2026
6. Date of counseling and admission: 09/10/2026
7. Start of classes: will be notified later.

Essential Qualification:

- a) Consistently good academic records with Master's Degree in Agriculture / Horticulture / Forestry Science having at least 65% marks or an OGPA of 6.5 out of 10.00 or 3.75 out of 5.00 or 3.0 out of 4.00 or 2.25 out of 3.00 for general and OBC category (for SC/ST/PH candidate 60 % marks or OGPA 6.0 out of 10.00 or 3.44 out of 5.00 or 2.75 out of 4.00 or 2.06 out of 3.00) in Master's degree programme from any recognized Indian/Foreign University followed by Bachelors' Degree in Agricultural / Horticultural / Forestry Science under 10+2+4 or 10+1+4 or 11+4.
- b) Experience of Dissertation in University / Institute for at least one year.
- c) Minimum age for admission is 23 years as on 31/12/2026.
- d) **Students passed with three years Bachelor degree course are not eligible.**

Application fees :

Category	Application Fees (Candidates will have to pay separate application fee for application to each Subject / Department which is nonrefundable.)
General/OBC category	Rs. 1500/-
SC/ ST category	Rs. 750/-

No application form without deposition of fee will be considered.

Only PWD candidates whose disability percentage are 40% or above, are exempted from application fees. However, there is no PWD seat separately in any department and will be treated as per their respective caste category.

PREPARATION OF MERIT LIST:

The final admission will be conducted strictly on the basis of merit and according to the position in the merit list.

Academic record	Weightage
Percentage of Graduation Marks	10%
Percentage of Master Degree Marks (at the time of entrance test, submission of final transcript is compulsory, failing which his/her candidature will be cancelled)	20%
Percentage of Entrance Test Marks	70%
10% of Master Degree percentage will be added with it for UBKV pass outs only	
An additional 5 marks for NET qualified candidates in relevant subject as weightage while preparing the merit panel subject to verification by the concerned Department and fulfilling the minimum qualifying marks obtained in entrance test.	

Provision of Scholarship:

State Merit Scholarship will be offered to the admitted state domiciled candidates as per merit panel in descending order and availability of scholarship under the respective Department

Documents required during application process and document verification:

At the time of submission of application or on the day of VERIFICATION, the candidate will have to attach the self-attested photocopy of the following documents.

- (a) Proof of date of birth (Birth certificate from competent authority, admit card of Madhyamik or equivalent examination).
- (b) Bachelor's degree certificate and mark sheet.
- (c) Masters' degree mark sheets of first, second and third semesters for admission to Ph.D. **On the day of admission, the candidate needs to submit the final marksheet and PDC of Master Degree programme.**
- (d) copy of caste/category certificate.
- (e) **Candidates belonging to OBC category are instructed to bring original OBC Non-Creamy Layer Certificate and original caste certificate** [they must submit Non-creamy layer certificate issued on or after **01.04.2026** along with the revalidated OBC certificate of the Competent Authority as per recent guidelines of Govt. of West Bengal]
- (f) **EWS Certificate MUST BE issued on or after 01/04/2026**
- (g) Four recent signed passport size photographs to be affixed in the space provided at the application form.
- (h) Character certificate from the Head of the Institute, last attended.
- (i) Migration certificate to be submitted within 2nd semester.
- (j) Anti-ragging declaration in the given format (to be given within 2 weeks of admission).
- (k) Self-attested copy of domicile certificate as per the format available in the admission portal or website of the University (Format: jpg/pdf, Size 200 kb -300 kb)
- (l) In-Service Candidates need to bring a No Objection Certificate from their Institute / Organization at the time of admission.
- (m) Any other document uploaded during application need to be produced in original

Production of original certificates, uploaded documents and mark sheets at the time of VERIFICATION is an essential requirement which is not relaxable in any case under any circumstances.

If any document/information submitted by the candidate is found to be false at any stage, the University shall cancel the admission or terminate such candidates/students from the University.

Admission of PWD category candidates need the fitness certificate issued by the medical officer of the University.

Any dispute relating to the admission shall be settled within the jurisdiction of Coochbehar, West Bengal.

The University reserves the right not to admit any candidate if so decided by admission committee.

Hostel accommodation may not be available for all admitted candidates due to shortage of space

N.B.: No admission form will have to be sent to University

- **After admission, Maximum 2 (Two) state domicile students per Department will be**

awarded State Merit Scholarship subject to availability of Guide.

- SC/ST/OBC Candidates of outside the state of West Bengal will be treated as General category candidate.
- Applicants of Research Scholar and In-service category have to pay in separate application for consideration in all applied category.
- Foreign students will be admitted following University Guideline only.
- 02 Seats shall be reserved for Kashmiri migrants over and above the normal student intake. There shall be a relaxation in cut off percentage up to 10% subject to the minimum eligibility requirement.

Date: 21.08.2026

Sd/-
Deputy Registrar (Actg.)

Annexure – I

The candidate must satisfy one of the qualifications as indicated against the relevant disciplines to which admission is sought in Ph.D. Programme

(A) Faculty of Agriculture

Discipline	M.Sc(Ag.)/ M.Sc.
Agricultural Economics	Agricultural Economics
Entomology	Agricultural Entomology
Agricultural Extension Education	Agricultural Extension
Agricultural Statistics	Agricultural Statistics
Agronomy	Agronomy
Biochemistry	Biochemistry/Soil science & Ag. Chem (major in Ag. Chemicals & Biochemistry)
Genetics and Plant Breeding	Genetics and/or Plant Breeding / Seed Science and Technology / Plant Physiology
Plant Pathology	Plant Pathology
Seed Science & Technology	Seed Science & Technology/Plant Breeding/Plant Physiology
Soil Science	Soil Science and / OR Agricultural Chemistry/Agri. Physics/ Microbiology

(B) Faculty of Horticulture

Discipline	M.Sc. (Hort.) /M.Sc(Ag.)/ M.Tech. / M.Sc. /M.Sc. FoodTech.
Floriculture and Landscaping	Floriculture, Medicinal and Aromatic Plants / Floriculture and Landscaping / Landscape Architecture/Horticulture
Forestry	Forestry/Agroforestry/Natural Resource Management
Fruit Science	Pomology and Post-Harvest Technology / Pomology / Fruits and Orchard Management / Fruit Science/Horticulture
Plantation, Spices, Medicinal and Aromatic Crops	Plantation Crops and Processing / Plantation Crops / Horticulture/ Plantation, Spices, Medicinal and Aromatic Crops/Vegetable and Spice Crops
Post-Harvest Management	Pomology and Post-Harvest Technology / Plantation Crops and Processing/Food Processing and/or Technology/ Horticulture
Vegetable Science	Vegetable and Spice Crops/Vegetable Crops/ Horticulture / Vegetable Science / Olericulture

Guideline for Entrance Test

The Entrance Test for admission to Ph. D. degree course in a discipline of Agriculture/ Horticulture / Forestry for Research Scholar, In-service Research Scholar and Project Fellow of session 2026-27 will be held as per ICAR syllabus of concerned M.Sc. Courses.

1. **Duration of the Test – 1 hour; Total marks – 70**
2. **Questions pattern: MCQ type Questions with four alternatives, each of 1 mark (70x1=70).**
3. **There will be negative marks for MCQ is 0.25 for each wrong answer.**
4. **The syllabi for entrance test in Ph.D. (Agriculture), Ph.D. (Horticulture) and Ph.D. (Forestry) are *available in the University Website www.ubkv.ac.in***