



# Training-cum-Exposure Visit to Netherlands

Program on Hi-Tech Agriculture, Floriculture,  
Agro-processing & Dairying

19<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> April 2026

## A Global Learning Journey for Leaders in Agriculture & Rural Development

*Organised by:-*



**Bankers Institute of Rural  
Development (BIRD)  
Lucknow, India**

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# About the Programme

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*The Netherlands is internationally recognised for transforming agriculture through technology, innovation, and strong cooperative frameworks. This study visit offers participants a first-hand opportunity to explore leading practices in high-tech agriculture, floriculture, dairy systems, and integrated value chains. The programme is designed to deepen understanding of modern production methods, global market linkages, and institutional mechanisms that support sustainable agri-business growth.*



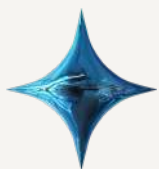


# Why the Netherlands?

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Despite its compact geography, the Netherlands ranks among the world's top exporters of food and horticultural products. This achievement is powered by advanced greenhouse systems, climate-smart production, precision irrigation, automated dairy technologies, and globally integrated supply chains. Dutch cooperative models and financial institutions have ensured farmer-centric scaling of technology and markets. The visit enables participants to engage with these globally benchmarked practices and explore possibilities of adoption in the Indian context.





# Key Learning Themes

- **High-tech agriculture:** greenhouses, automation, climate control
- **Precision horticulture:** cultivation techniques, yield optimization
- **Floriculture excellence:** flower clusters, auctions, global logistics
- **Dairy sector modernization:** automated milking, feed systems, value-added products
- **Food processing and packaging innovations**
- **Cold-chain, supply-chain and export logistics**
- **Cooperative governance frameworks**
- **Financial models supporting agri-business and value chains**
- **End-to-end value chain structures across crops, flowers, and dairy**

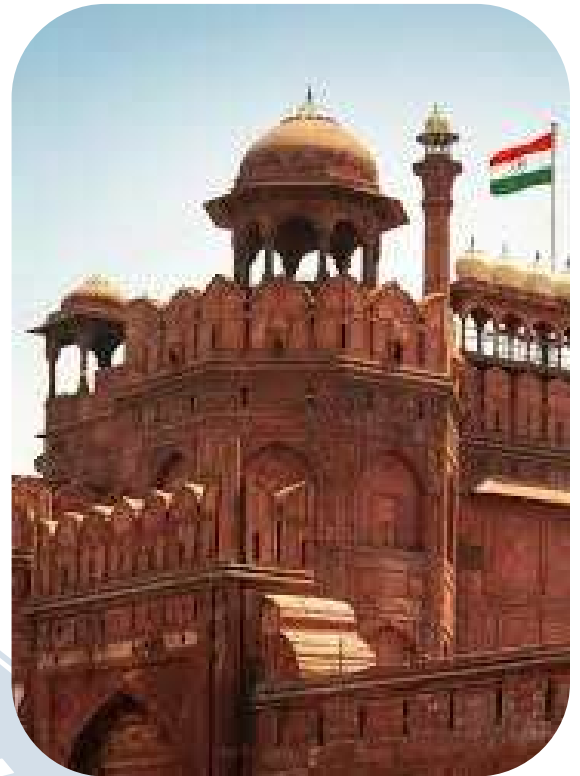




# Programme Structure

## India Leg

A focused orientation covering objectives, context, and thematic expectations. Sessions will introduce participants to Dutch agriculture models, cooperative systems, and the structure of the upcoming international visits.



## Netherlands Leg (6 Days)

Participants will engage in field visits, expert discussions, institutional meetings, and technology demonstrations. The schedule includes greenhouse clusters, flower auction markets, dairy farms, food processing units, agri-finance institutions, and cooperative organisations. The aim is to provide structured exposure to global best practices and actionable learnings.





# Programme Schedule



The programme, which is a study and international tour, will be conducted in two legs. Comprising of an In-India program of 1 day at Mumbai, followed by an international leg of the program for 7 days in Netherlands where the participants will visit and interact with different agencies in Netherlands for first-hand learning about the various sectors. The broad contours of the Program Design is indicated in following tables.

S. No.	Particular	Dates		No. of days
		From	To	
1	In-India leg at Delhi (Participants to arrive by 18th April 2026)	1400 hrs. on 18th April 2026	1240 hrs. on 19th April 2026	1
2	Out-Bound Journey (Delhi- Amsterdam)	1240 hrs. on 19th April 2026	1855 hrs. on 19th April 2026	
3	International leg at Netherlands	20th April 2026 (0900 hrs.)	24th April 2026 (1800 hrs.)	5
4	Return Journey [Amsterdam- Delhi] and onward to respective destinations	25th April 2026	25th / 26th April 2026	1

**Note:- Flight timing are tentative and shall be intimated in due course**

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# Who Should Attend

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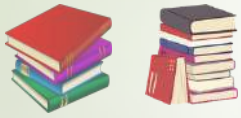
The programme is designed for:



- Senior and mid-level officers from Government of India & State Government Departments
- Executives from RBI, NABARD, SIDBI, MUDRA
- Public & private sector banks
- Regional Rural Banks & Co-operative Banks
- Microfinance institutions and NBFCs
- Farmer Producer Organisations and agri-entrepreneurs
- Academicians, trainers, and researchers from agricultural and rural development institutions

This visit is especially beneficial for professionals working in agricultural finance, rural development, agri-innovation, value chains, and policy.





# Learning Methodology



The programme blends structured learning with immersive field experiences. Key pedagogical approaches include:

- On-site visits to farms, cooperatives, and processing units
- Interactions with practitioners, technology providers, and experts
- Demonstrations of production, processing, and automation technologies
- Case studies, group discussions, and guided reflections
- Classroom sessions for contextual learning and Indian applicability



## Nomination & Payment

Nominations will be confirmed upon receipt of the full programme fee. Payment can be made via NEFT/RTGS or bank draft in favour of the Bankers Institute of Rural Development, Lucknow. Institutions are advised to complete the nomination formalities well before the due dates to ensure visa processing and travel arrangements

### Date Line for Nominations\*

	Date
A. Last Date for Confirmation of Nominations with 'Early BIRD' Discount'	<b>25<sup>th</sup> Dec 2025</b>
B. Last Date for Confirmation of Nominations, in any Case	<b>09<sup>th</sup> Jan 2026</b>

\*Please note that Nomination shall be reckoned as 'Confirmed' as on the date of receipt of full tour fee in respect of the nominated Participant.

### Cancellation and Refund Policy

S. No.	Particulars	Cancellation Fees
1	Confirmed nomination cancellation request on or before 25 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2025	10% of fees paid + GST thereon
2	Confirmed nomination cancelled on/after 26 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2025, but on before 09 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2026	25 % of fees paid + GST thereon
3	Confirmed Nominations cancelled after 09 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2026	100% of fees paid

### Fee Remittance

The participation fee can be remitted preferably on-line (NEFT/RTGS etc.) or by a bank draft drawn in favour of "Bankers Institute of Rural Development" Lucknow. The bank details are furnished below:	
Name of the Institute	Bankers Institute of Rural Development
Address of the Institute	Sector-H, LDA Colony, Kanpur Road, Lucknow – 226 012
PAN No.	AAATB5910G
Name of the Bank	Union Bank of India
Bank Account No.	536502010016787
IFSC Code	UBIN0553654
Type of Account	Savings
Branch Name	LDA Colony, Kanpur Road
GST No. of BIRD	09AAATB5910G1ZZ

### Other Terms and Conditions

- Substitution of nominations shall be done at the sole discretion of BIRD, Lucknow. Requests for substituting nominations, if accepted, shall also entail the payment of such additional costs as may be incurred by BIRD, Lucknow to facilitate the request. However, substitution of nominations shall be permitted only till 30 days before the day of program commencement.
- BIRD, Lucknow shall not be responsible in case the nominated participant is not able to undertake the visit due to reasons like passport not in order, visa not issued, etc. Even in such circumstances, the policy of charging cancellation fees as indicated above shall apply.
- In normal circumstances, requests for booking of individual air tickets in deviation from the official travel itinerary, shall NOT be considered. However, if under exceptional circumstances, there is a need to consider such requests (at BIRD, Lucknow's sole discretion), the additional costs towards fare differential, etc., will have to be borne by the nominated participant, themselves.
- In the unfortunate event of any of the nominated participants/ accompanying guests (if any) losing their travel documents (Passport, Visa, Air Tickets, etc.) during the course of the program, BIRD Lucknow may, without recourse, co-ordinate with the local host, for providing location-based travel- assist/alternate arrangements. However, all costs in this regard will have to be borne by the nominated participant / nominating institution.
- BIRD, Lucknow shall not be responsible if any of the scheduled program, as per the itinerary, gets cancelled due to circumstances beyond its control like natural calamities/terrorist attacks/accidents/missed flights, etc.
- It shall be the responsibility of the nominated participant to fulfil all the necessary formalities for obtaining visa and overseas medical/travel insurance, well in time- for joining the visit. BIRD, Lucknow, at best, shall provide the necessary facilitation support and guidance.

## Visa Requirements

**(Please also visit <http://www.vfsglobal.com/netherlands/india/>)**

It may be noted that the time required to process Visa Application is up to 15 calendar days under normal circumstances. The participants will be required to submit their Visa application either directly or through **M/s Tourism First, Lucknow**. The nominated participants may be required to make personal appearance at the Netherlands Embassy for getting the Visa issued.

**As advised by our travel logistics facilitator, the visa requirements are as under:**

- Passport having minimum validity of 6 months
- To apply for a visa, two blank leaves in the passport are required.
- Visa form (to be filled on-line only)
- Invitation letter in Host letter head (will be provided by BIRD, Lucknow)
- Letter from employer (with name & designation) stating current designation, period of employment & current salary statement indicating break up of gross salary.
- Hotel confirmation (will be communicated by BIRD, Lucknow)
- Ticket (Xerox Copy/e-mail to-be sent by our travel logistics facilitator)
- Overseas Travel/Medical Insurance
- Bank statement of last 6 months signed by bank Manager (no copy of passbook)
- Income tax return last 3 years
- Visa Fees (Please take details from website indicated above)

On behalf of BIRD, **M/s Tourism First, Lucknow** arranges visas and other overseas travel formalities like overseas travel/medical insurance policy, etc. Participants have the option of routing their applications through M/s Tourism First, Lucknow or alternately, making their own arrangements to obtain visa. **The contact details of M/s Tourism First, Lucknow is - Shri. Banerjee, Manager, Mob: 9335911433, E-mail: [tourismfirst.lko@gmail.com](mailto:tourismfirst.lko@gmail.com)**

**In case the participants decide to opt for applying for visa through M/s Tourism First, Lucknow, the online Visa form may be filled in consultation with them. In this case the Visa charges/fees may be paid to M/s Tourism First directly.**

# Programme Fees & Inclusions

## Programme Fees



Particulars	Payments received by BIRD	
	Up to 25th Dec 2025 (Early BIRD Discount)	Between 26th Dec 2025 to 09th Jan 2026 (Both dates incl.)
Fees per Participants	433,000	455,000
Taxes [18% GST]	77,940	81,900
Total	510,940	536,900

## Fee Inclusions

- Boarding and lodging at New Delhi and the Netherlands
- Round-trip airfare (Delhi–Amsterdam–Delhi)
- Airport transfers and local transportation
- All field visits, institutional interactions, and programme materials
- Meals: breakfast, working lunch, and dinner

## Exclusions

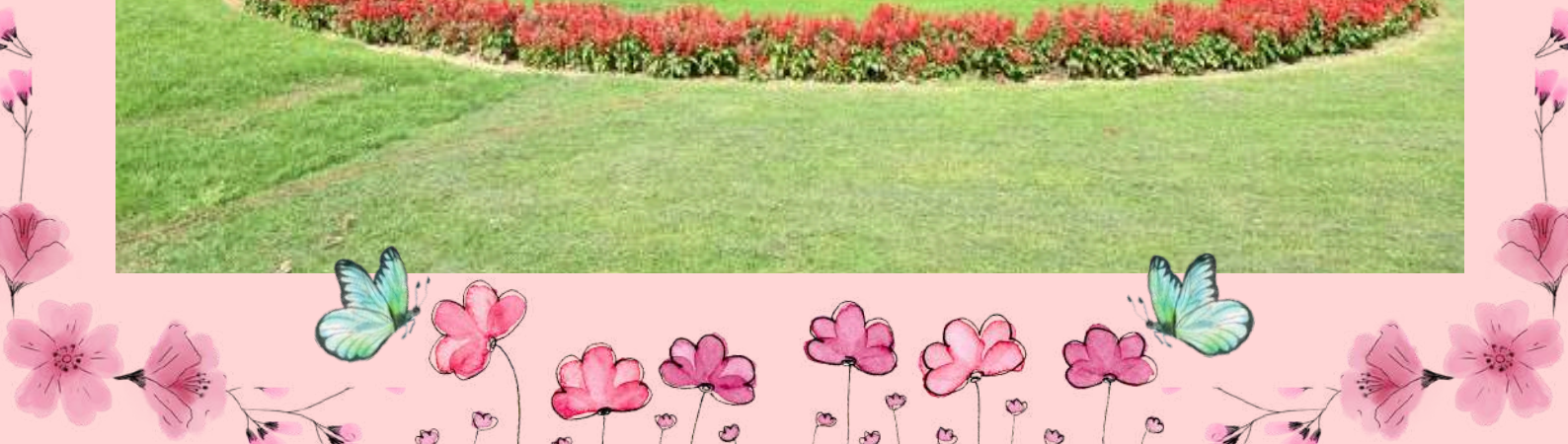
- Visa fees
- Passport issuance/renewal charges
- Overseas travel and medical insurance
- Travel to and from New Delhi (starting/ending point of the programme)



# About BIRD



**Bankers Institute of Rural Development (BIRD), Lucknow—promoted by NABARD—is a premier national institution providing training, research, and consultancy in agriculture, rural development, financial inclusion, and cooperatives. Equipped with modern infrastructure, thematic centres of excellence, and a distinguished faculty, BIRD delivers high-impact learning programmes for national and international participants. The institute is committed to strengthening institutional capabilities and promoting sustainable development through knowledge, innovation, and capacity building.**



“Photograph from the recent exposure visit, reflecting practical exposure and stakeholder engagement.”



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# Nomination Form

Training cum Exposure Visit- Netherlands

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GIVEN NAME (in capital letters as appearing in passport)

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SURNAME (in capital letters as appearing in passport)

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Recent Passport size  
[35 mm x 45 mm]  
colour photo on mat  
paper

Date of birth: Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Month \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: Male/Female

Passport Details: Passport No: \_\_\_\_\_

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*[Pl. attach self-attested copy of passport pages containing personal information]*

Place of issue: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Issue: \_\_\_\_\_ Valid up to: \_\_\_\_\_

Whether the passport has ECNR endorsement: Yes/No

Educational / Professional Qualifications:

Educational & Office Address incl. Name and phone number of contact person:

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Present designation:

Address for correspondence: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Emergency Contact No.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile No.: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Participant's Signature**

**Signature / Seal of Head of Sponsoring Organisation or Head of Dept.**

**Particulars of fee**

Demand Draft No. / On- line Transfer: \_\_\_\_\_

Date : \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Rs. \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the Issuing Bank / Branch / UTR Number \_\_\_\_\_

**Please e-mail your nomination form to:  
training.birdlucknow@nabard.org with copy to bird@nabard.org;  
bhupendar.singh@nabard.org; karan.sharma@nabard.org**

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