

Post Graduate Diploma in Animal Welfare (PGDAW)

Animal welfare education is a multidisciplinary subject which is evolving rapidly with the core components of welfare science, welfare ethics, welfare laws and welfare standards. Animal welfare can be applied to all animal species, sometimes preceded by 'farm' or 'companion' or other words to denote to which group of animals the term is specifically referring. In general, however, we are concerned about the welfare of all animals that are managed in some way by humans, and where we have particular responsibilities for their care. In the past, greatest concern about animal welfare has been related to livestock production in agriculture, and thus 'farm animal welfare' has received the most attention. Over time, welfare issues pertaining to working, performing, companion, zoo and lab animals have also received attention. Keeping all this in view, the PGDAW programme covers welfare science, ethics, laws and standards of all managed animals like cattle and buffaloes; sheep and goat; pigs; poultry; working, performing, pet, zoo and lab animals.

Programme Objectives

- To impart science based animal welfare education through open and distance learning.
- To build capacities of stakeholders in taking socially responsible decisions concerning animal welfare.

Eligibility: Graduation in any discipline

Medium: English

Duration: Minimum 1 year & Maximum 3 years

Fee: Rs.5400

Session: Offered in both January & July sessions.

Who Can Take Admission?

- Faculty, researchers, technical staff and students in universities, research organizations and veterinary colleges.
- Veterinarians / para-veterinarians in state / central government departments and Remount and Veterinary Corps of Indian army.
- Members of state & district level animal welfare boards / committees.
- Members of institutional animal ethics committees.
- Civil servants, officials and researchers working in forest departments, zoos, wild life institutes, institute animal ethics committees, animal house facilities, zoology departments etc.
- Law professionals dealing with animal welfare laws.
- Employees working in animal welfare organizations / NGOs/ *Gaushalas*.
- Animal lovers, pet owners and fresh graduates seeking career as animal welfare professionals.

Programme Details:

Course Code	Title of the Course	Credits
MAW-001	Animal Welfare Science and Ethics	8
MAW-002	Animal Welfare Issues	8
MAW-003	Animal Welfare Laws, Policies and Organizations	8
MAW-004	Animal Welfare Practices, Economics and Livelihood	8
Total		32

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