GOVERNMENT OF JHARKHAND • DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & FARMERS WELFARE

AGRICULTURE TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (ATMA), SIMDEGA

CITIZEN CHARTER & COMPREHENSIVE FARMER EXTENSION BROCHURE (2025-26)

Empowering Farmers Through Science, Extension, Subsidies & Capacity Building

1. ABOUT ATMA SIMDEGA & OPERATIONAL MANDATE

The Agriculture Technology Management Agency (ATMA) is a registered society operating in Simdega District under the Sub-Mission on Agricultural Extension (SMAE), National Mission on Agriculture Extension & Technology (NMAET). It operates as a decentralized, participatory institution integrating research institutions (ICAR, BAU, KVK) with line departments (Agriculture, Horticulture, Animal Husbandry, Fisheries, Soil Conservation) to deliver modern technology directly to farmers.

2. KEY PROGRAMS & SCHEMES IMPLEMENTED

Farmer Field Schools (FFS)	Hands-on 6-session practical training in farmer fields on Integrated Pest & Nutrient Management.	25-30 farmers per block per season. Free inputs provided.
Exposure Visits (Inter/Intrastate)	Visits to premier institutions: Birsa Agricultural University Ranchi, ICAR-IIAB, Horticulture centers.	Travel, boarding & training fully funded by ATMA.
Frontline Demonstrations (FLD)	Direct field demonstrations of certified seed varieties (SRI Paddy, Ragi, Arhar, Mustard, Vegetables).	Small, marginal & ST/SC farmers given 100% demonstration seed kits.
Mobilization of FIGs / CIGs	Organizing farmers into Farmer Interest Groups (FIGs) and Commodity Interest Groups for collective marketing.	Revolving fund and capacity support provided to registered groups.
District & Block Kisan Melas	Grand exhibitions, scientist-farmer interactions, crop competitions, and agricultural machinery showcases.	Over 5,000+ farmers participate annually across Simdega.

3. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE ACROSS SIMDEGA DISTRICT

Tier	Body / Team	Chairperson / Head	Key Role
District Level	Governing Board (GB)	Deputy Commissioner, Simdega	Policy approval & District Action Plan review
Executive	ATMA Management Unit	Project Director, ATMA Simdega	Execution of DEWP, fund release & monitoring
Block Level	Block Technology Team (BTT)	Block Agriculture Officer (BAO)	Technical support & multi-departmental coordination
Grassroots	FAC (Farmers Advisory Comm.)	Elected Farmer Chairperson	Farmer feedback, demand generation & local planning

4. DIRECTORY OF 10 BLOCK AGRICULTURE CENTERS (BACs)

1. Simdega Sadar: BAC Campus, Simdega	6. Pakartanr: BAC Campus, Pakartanr
2. Bano: BAC Campus, Bano Railway Station Rd	7. Bansjor: BAC Campus, Bansjor
3. Thethaitangar: BAC Complex, Thethaitangar	8. Kurdeg: BAC Campus, Kurdeg
4. Kolebira: BAC Campus, Kolebira Chowk	9. Kersai: BAC Campus, Kersai
5. Jaldega: BAC Campus, Jaldega	10. Bolba: BAC Campus, Bolba

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