



DR. BHIMRAO AMBEDKAR UNIVERSITY, AGRA

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Report on

Sustainable Development Goal 2



SDG 2 ZERO HUNGER

End hunger, achieve food security and
improved nutrition and promote
sustainable agriculture

2. INTRODUCTION

Sustainable Development Goal 2 (SDG 2) aims to end hunger, achieve food security, improve nutrition, and promote sustainable agriculture by 2030. **Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University (DBRAU), Agra**, is committed to contributing to this global objective through education, research, healthcare, community engagement, and sustainable development initiatives. With its strong focus on societal welfare and regional development, the University seeks to address challenges related to food security, nutrition, sustainable agriculture, and the well-being of vulnerable communities in the Agra region and surrounding areas.

Cultivating a Hunger-Free Future: DBRAU's Journey Towards Zero Hunger

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University integrates the principles of sustainable development into its academic, research, and community-oriented activities. Through its diverse academic programmes, research initiatives, and outreach activities, the University promotes awareness and capacity building related to nutrition, food security, sustainable agricultural practices, and community well-being.

The University's academic programmes provide students with knowledge and skills to understand food and nutrition challenges and develop practical solutions for sustainable development. Research undertaken by faculty and students across disciplines contributes to addressing issues related to agriculture, environmental sustainability, food resources, nutrition, and rural development.

DBRAU also emphasizes **community engagement and rural outreach**, connecting academic knowledge with the needs of local communities. Awareness programmes, extension activities, student engagement, and social initiatives help promote healthy dietary practices, nutrition awareness, sustainable resource utilization, and improved quality of life among communities in and around Agra.

Through interdisciplinary research and innovation, the University encourages the development of sustainable and technology-enabled solutions for agriculture and food systems. These efforts support climate-resilient practices, efficient resource utilization, and greater awareness of sustainable food production and consumption.

Together, DBRAU's teaching, research, innovation, healthcare-related initiatives, and community engagement demonstrate its commitment to transforming the vision of **Zero Hunger into meaningful local action**. By strengthening knowledge, promoting nutrition awareness, supporting sustainable practices, and empowering communities, **Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Agra, contributes to building a food-secure, healthy, sustainable, and equitable society in alignment with SDG 2**.

2.1 RESEARCH ON HUNGER

Hunger, malnutrition, and food insecurity remain significant challenges that require coordinated efforts across agriculture, nutrition, healthcare, technology, environmental sustainability, and community development. In the context of **Agra and the surrounding regions of Uttar Pradesh**, addressing these challenges requires research and interventions that are locally relevant, economically viable, and environmentally sustainable.

At **Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University (DBRAU), Agra**, research and innovation contribute to the objectives of **Sustainable Development Goal 2 (Zero Hunger)** by addressing issues related to food security, nutrition, sustainable agriculture, food quality, and community well-being. Faculty members and research scholars from different academic disciplines undertake research that contributes to improving agricultural productivity, promoting sustainable resource utilization, strengthening nutritional awareness, and developing innovative solutions for food and livelihood security.

Key Focus Areas of DBRAU's SDG 2 Research Include:

- i. **Sustainable Agriculture and Climate-Resilient Farming:** Research and academic activities promote sustainable agricultural practices, efficient utilization of natural resources, soil and crop management, environmentally responsible farming, and approaches that can improve agricultural productivity while reducing environmental impacts.
- ii. **Nutrition and Food Security:** Research and community-oriented activities address nutritional awareness, dietary practices, food security, and the nutritional well-being of vulnerable sections of society. Such efforts support awareness regarding balanced diets, healthy food choices, and the importance of nutrition for community health.

- iii. **Food Quality, Safety, and Nutritional Enhancement:** Interdisciplinary research contributes to understanding food quality, safety, processing, preservation, and nutritional value. Studies related to agricultural and biological resources can support the development and utilization of nutritious and value-added food products.
- iv. **Technology and Innovation in Food and Agriculture:** DBRAU encourages the application of emerging technologies, including **Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, data analytics, biotechnology, and digital technologies**, to address challenges associated with agriculture, food production, resource management, and sustainable development. Such technological approaches can support data-driven decision-making and improve the efficiency and sustainability of food systems.
- v. **Community and Rural Development:** Through outreach, extension activities, student engagement, and socially relevant research, the University connects academic knowledge with community needs. These initiatives contribute to awareness of sustainable farming, nutrition, health, environmental conservation, and livelihood opportunities among rural and underserved communities.

DBRAU's research ecosystem encourages **interdisciplinary collaboration** among faculty members, research scholars, students, government and community stakeholders, and other organizations. This approach helps translate academic research into practical solutions that can contribute to sustainable agriculture, improved nutrition, food security, and resilient local communities.

Collectively, these research and innovation activities demonstrate **Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Agra's commitment to advancing SDG 2**. By integrating research, technology, education, community engagement, and sustainable development, the University contributes to the broader objective of creating a **food-secure, nutritionally aware, environmentally sustainable, and socially equitable society**, thereby transforming the vision of **Zero Hunger into meaningful and measurable outcomes** for Agra, Uttar Pradesh, and beyond.

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DOCUMENTS

1 Research Article Effect of herbal feed additives on intake, rumen fermentation, availability of nutrients and energetic efficiency of feeds in Barbari kids reared under confined condition Chaturvedi, I.; Dutta, T. K.; Singh, P. K.; Chatterjee, A.; Mandal, D. K.; Das, A. K. <i>Indian Journal of Animal Sciences</i> 91(8), pp. 664–669 2021 Article Final	2 Review Article Aflatoxin contamination in food crops: causes, detection, and management: a review Kumar, A.; Pathak, H.; Bhaduria, S.; Sudan, J. <i>Food Production, Processing and Nutrition</i> 3(1), art. no. 17 2021 Review Final	3 Book Chapter Plant-Parasitic Nematode Management by Phytobiomes and Application of Fly Ash Ahmad, G.; Haris, M.; Shakeel, A.; Khan, A. A.; Ali, A. <i>Phytobiomes: Current Insights and Future Vistas</i> pp. 357–379 2020 Book Chapter Final	4 Research Article Biochemical variability of eggplant peel among Indian cultivars Yadav, V. K.; Singh, R.; Jha, R. K.; Kaushik, P. <i>Indian Journal of Biochemistry and Biophysics</i> 57(5), pp. 634–637 2020 Article Final	5 Conference Paper Effect of zinc and boron application on growth, yield and quality of haricot bean (<i>Phaseolus vulgaris</i> L.) Vamil, R.; Tiwari, A.; Singh, D. K.; Agnihotri, R. K. <i>International Conference on Sustainable Agriculture and Food Security</i> pp. 45–50 2019 Conference Paper Final
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These 21 documents reflect our research contributions towards SDG 2: Zero Hunger, advancing food security, nutrition, and sustainable agriculture.



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

Scopus Indexed Publications aligned with SDG 2

S.No	Authors	Title	Journal/Book	Year	FWCI	Evidence/Scopus Link
1	Yadav, Vinod Kumar (57225047201); Singh, R. (58263924400); Jha, Radha Krishana (57219230014); Kaushik, Prashant (56967816100)	Biochemical variability of eggplant peel among Indian cultivars	Indian Journal of Biochemistry and Biophysics	2020	1.50	https://www.scopus.com/pages/publications/85091795476?origin=resultlist
2	Ahmad, Gufran (8618415800); Haris, Mohammad (60019493500); Shakeel,	Plant-Parasitic Nematode Management by Phytobiomes and Application of Fly Ash	Phytobiomes: Current Insights and Future Vistas, pp. 357 - 379	2020	0.80	https://www.scopus.com/pages/publications/85114187388?origin=resultlist

	Adnan (57202537176); Khan, Abrar Ahmad (27168907800); Ali, Asgar (57221855704)					gin=result slist
3	Kumar, Abhishek (57740778700); Pathak, Hardik (57309630800); Bhadauria, Seema (6603405358); Sudan, Jebi (56919538400)	Aflatoxin contamination in food crops: causes, detection, and management: a review	Food Production , Processing and Nutrition	2021	10.16	<a href="https://www.scopus.com/pages/publications/85123846788?origin=result
slist">https://www.scopus.com/pages/publications/85123846788?origin=result slist
4	Chaturvedi, Indu (57277301500); Dutta, T.K. (51461340000); Singh, P.K. (57285787200); Chatterjee, A. (55729348100); Mandal, D.K. (56185005900); Das, Arun K. (55450733800)	Effect of herbal feed additives on intake, rumen fermentation, availability of nutrients and energetic efficiency of feeds in Barbari kids reared under confined condition	Indian Journal of Animal Sciences	2021	0.38	<a href="https://www.scopus.com/pages/publications/85115972775?origin=result
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5	Vamil, Rashmi (55485866600); Tiwari, Archana (5722329913)	Effect of industrial effluent on wheat crop	Agricultural Research Journal	2021	0.00	https://www.scopus.com/pages/publications/85105498664?ori

	4); Singh, Dushyant K. (57209912281); Agnihotri, Rajneesh K. (7003786720)					gin=result slist
6	Ali, Asgar (57221855704); Singh, Kamal (57688604000)	Evaluation of nematicidal potential of neem sawdust against Meloidogyne arenaria on eggplant	Plant Science Today	2021	0.14	<a href="https://www.scopus.com/pages/publications/85126127268?origin=result
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7	Srinivasarao, Ch. (55906617600); Singh, S.P. (57214305410); Kundu, Sumanta (7201407205); Abrol, Vikas (6602963845); Lal, Rattan (55444564800); Abhilash, P.C. (23018182200); Chary, G.R. (6603159420); Thakur, Pravin B. (56902328400); Prasad, J.V.N.S. (23971023700); Venkateswarlu, B. (50662218100)	Integrated nutrient management improves soil organic matter and agronomic sustainability of semiarid rainfed Inceptisols of the Indo-Gangetic Plains	Journal of Plant Nutrition and Soil Science	2021	1.83	<a href="https://www.scopus.com/pages/publications/85111627425?origin=result
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8	Chaturvedi, Indu (5727730150)	Effect of supplementation of phytogenic feed additives on intake, in vitro	Tropical Animal	2022	1.11	https://www.scopus.com/pages/

	0); Dutta, T.K. (5146134000 0); Singh, P.K. (5728578720 0); Chatterjee, A. (5572934810 0); Mandal, Dilip Kumar (5618500590 0); Bhakat, C. (6602655878); Mohammad, Asif (5574515460 0); Das, Arun K. (5545073380 0)	fermentation, growth performance and carcass traits in weaned Barbari kids reared under intensive feeding	Health and Production			publications/85127289325?origin=resultlist
9	Upadhyay, Hemant (5722594322 5); Juneja, Abhinav (5721041129 1); Turabieh, Hamza (2592765610 0); Malik, Sapna (5640500870 0); Gupta, Ankur (5750306370 0); Bitsue, Zelalem Kiros (5749932280 0); Upadhyay, Chanchal (5749555590 0)	Exploration of Crucial Factors Involved in Plants Development Using the Fuzzy AHP Method	Mathematical Problems in Engineering	2022	2.10	https://www.scopus.com/pages/publications/85126581525?origin=resultlist
10	Gautam, Dinesh	Herbicidal Effects of Chenopodium murale and	Scientific Horizons	2022	0.00	https://www.scopus.com/pages/publications/85126581525?origin=resultlist

	Kumar (57226106031); Singh, Dushyant Kumar (57209912281); D' Souza, Rohan John (57841106400); Agnihotri, Rajneesh Kumar (7003786720)	Coronopus didymus Sm. Residues against Germination and Early Growth of Hordeum vulgare [Гербіцидна дія Chenopodium murale та залишків Coronopus didymus Sm. проти проростання та раннього росту Hordeum vulgare]				om/pages/publications/85135808547?origin=resultlist
11	Upadhyay, Chanchal (57495555900); Upadhyay, Hemant K. (57225943225); Juneja, Sapna (57210408722); Juneja, Abhinav (57210411291)	Plant Disease Detection Using Imaging Sensors, Deep Learning and Machine Learning for Smart Farming	Healthcare Solutions Using Machine Learning and Informatics, pp. 173 - 185	2022	1.60	https://www.scopus.com/pages/publications/105036610721?origin=resultlist
12	Tiwari, Shweta (57207100669); Singh, Yogendra (57210010048); Upadhyay, P.K. (57241072300); Koutu, G.K. (55336620800)	Principal component analysis and genetic divergence studies for yield and quality-related attributes of rice restorer lines	Indian Journal of Genetics and Plant Breeding	2022	2.22	https://www.scopus.com/pages/publications/85131047867?origin=resultlist
13	Singh, Sonia (57199223928); Agarwal, Nitin (58039415900)	Study the Pharmacognostic Profile, Antiradical and Hepatoprotective Potential of Carissa carandas Linn. Fruit Extract	Recent Advances in Food, Nutrition and Agriculture	2022	0.88	https://www.scopus.com/pages/publications/85145381888?origin=resultlist

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14	D'Souza, Rohan (36454605900); Favas, Paulo J.C. (14048519400); Varun, Mayank (36455251900); Paul, Manoj S. (36454852100)	Dynamics of trace element bioavailability in soil: Agronomic enhancement and risk assessment	Medical Geology: En route to One Health, pp. 205 - 216	2023	0.71	<a href="https://www.scopus.com/pages/publications/85161157323?origin=result
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15	Chaudhary, Shivani (59788790200); Jain, Vijay Prakash (57220094281); Sharma, Deepa (58527763500); Jaiswar, Gautam (57091621600)	Implementation of agriculture waste for the synthesis of metal oxide nanoparticles: its management, future opportunities and challenges	Journal of Material Cycles and Waste Management	2023	1.70	<a href="https://www.scopus.com/pages/publications/85167513824?origin=result
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16	Ishtiyag, Shumailah (57212078927); Kumar, Harsh (60285280700); D'Souza, Rohan J. (57200125007); Varun, Mayank (36455251900); Favas, Paulo J. C. (14048519400); Paul, Manoj S. (36454852100)	Physiological Responses and Adaptations of the Halophyte Atriplex halimus to Soil Contaminated with Cd, Ni, and NaCl	Soil Systems	2023	1.12	<a href="https://www.scopus.com/pages/publications/85163660928?origin=result
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	Martina (60213373400); Bhatt, Siddharth Shankar (57866009600); Vamshi, Maragani (58620285800); Singh, Vishwajeet (57213256429); Rani, Priya (60212856800); Dayal, Deen (58163703300); Gupta, Ankur (59738022500); Sanghi, Ashwani Kumar (24069364300); Agrawal, Smita (59171435500); Wahi, Nitin (56410919900); Chaubey, Kundan Kumar (55631296800)	Growth and Yield Attributes in Pea (<i>Pisum sativum</i> L.) cv. Arkel				om/pages/publications/105023045730?origin=resultlist
18	Kumar, Harsh (60285280700); Ishtiyah, Shumailah (57212078927); Ponia, Vinamrata (59894894800); Favas, Paulo J. C. (14048519400); D'souza, Rohan J.	Cadmium Toxicity and Role of Plant Growth Promoting Bacteria in Phytoremediation	Cadmium Toxicity Mitigation , pp. 169 - 194	2024	0.33	https://www.scopus.com/pages/publications/105004974462?origin=resultlist

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19	Niharika (59151370800); Sharma, Manmohan (57214452480); Salgotra, R.K. (37262005700); Sharma, Mamta (36840989200); Sharma, Richa (58727321800); Ratnasekera, Disna (35305590500); Al-Ashkar, Ibrahim (57190977979); Zaboo, Sadaf Shafi (59151049100); Lone, Javeed Ahmed (54585662900); Adnan, Muhammad (57548863800); Sabagh, Ayman El (59454712200)	Characterization of chromosomal segment substitution lines developed in the genetic background of rice variety K 343	Cellular and Molecular Biology	2024	0.00	https://www.scopus.com/pages/publications/85194856378?origin=resultlist
20	Ahmad, Zishan (57192544381); Niyazi, Shareen (5812120490)	Enhancing plant resilience: Nanotech solutions for sustainable agriculture	Heliyon	2024	3.20	https://www.scopus.com/pages/publications/85210652446?origin=resultlist

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21	Jain, Meenu (57214732480); Agarwal, Anshu (57413389000); Singh, Kavita (55450560400); Jarouliya, Urmila (25937294600)	PROBIOTICS AND IMMUNE RESPONSE IN DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT	Immune-Boosting Nutraceuticals for Better Human Health: Novel Applications, pp. 99 - 129	2024	0.38 <a href="https://www.scopus.com/pages/publications/85176319967?origin=result
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2.2 Campus Food Waste

Food waste has emerged as a significant global challenge, particularly in university campuses where substantial quantities of food are prepared and consumed every day. Addressing food waste is essential not only for environmental sustainability and efficient resource utilization but also for promoting social responsibility and responsible consumption, directly contributing to **Sustainable Development Goal 2 (SDG 2): Zero Hunger**.

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University (DBRAU), Agra, is committed to promoting sustainable and responsible practices across its campus. The University recognizes the importance of minimizing food wastage and encouraging mindful consumption among students, faculty, staff, and other members of the University community. Through appropriate awareness, monitoring, segregation, and waste-management practices, DBRAU continues to work towards creating a cleaner, more sustainable, and socially responsible campus environment.

This section presents the University's initiatives and practices related to campus food waste management, the mechanisms adopted to minimize food wastage, and its continuing commitment to sustainability and food security.

2.2.1 Campus Food Waste Tracking

Ongoing Practices and Initiatives to Address Food Waste at DBRAU

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University (DBRAU), Agra, has undertaken various measures to promote responsible food consumption and reduce food waste in alignment with **Sustainable Development Goal 2 – Zero Hunger**. The University's approach emphasizes efficient utilization of food resources, responsible consumption, environmental sustainability, and social awareness among the campus community.

Food waste generated from campus dining and food-service facilities is monitored to support better understanding and management of wastage. The University encourages the **segregation of food and other waste at source**, facilitating appropriate treatment and disposal. Organic food waste is managed through environmentally responsible practices, wherever feasible, including composting and other suitable organic-waste management methods.

The University's food-service and catering arrangements emphasize **appropriate quantity estimation, portion management, menu planning, and consumption-based preparation** to minimize unnecessary food production and wastage. Feedback from students and staff can further support improvements in menu planning and food quantity management. Efforts are also encouraged to ensure the efficient use of food ingredients and responsible handling of supplies.

Awareness and sensitization activities among students, faculty members, catering personnel, and support staff play an important role in promoting responsible food consumption. The

University encourages members of the campus community to take only the quantity of food they require and avoid unnecessary wastage.

Through these coordinated measures, **DBRAU continues to strengthen its commitment to sustainable campus practices, responsible consumption, efficient resource utilization, and food security**, thereby contributing to the broader objectives of **SDG 2: Zero Hunger** and sustainable development.



Compost pit and Biogas Plant are located within the university premises

2.2.2 Campus Food Waste

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University (DBRAU), Agra, follows a systematic and environmentally responsible approach to managing food waste generated across the campus. The University's food-waste management practices are aligned with **Sustainable Development Goal 2 (SDG 2): Zero Hunger**, as well as the principles of resource conservation and the circular economy.

Leftover food and biodegradable waste generated from campus food-service areas, academic units, and residential facilities are collected systematically and segregated at source. The collected organic waste is directed towards appropriate **composting and organic-waste management facilities** available on the campus. The resulting nutrient-rich compost/manure

can be utilized for **campus landscaping, gardens, green spaces, and plantation activities**, thereby returning organic nutrients to the soil.

These practices help DBRAU reduce the quantity of biodegradable waste sent for conventional disposal, improve resource recovery, and promote sustainable management of organic waste. By converting food waste into a useful resource, the University supports a **circular approach to waste management** while creating greater awareness of responsible consumption and environmental sustainability among students, faculty, and staff.

Through these initiatives, DBRAU continues to strengthen its commitment to sustainable campus management and contributes to the broader objectives of **SDG 2: Zero Hunger**, responsible resource utilization, and environmental sustainability.

Data Type	Definition	Value	Unit
Total Food Waste	Total food discarded or left uneaten across all campus catering and food-service facilities during 2024	47,305	kg (47.305 metric tons)
Campus Population (FTE)	Total full-time-equivalent (FTE) students and employees during 2024	9,000	people
Average Food Waste per Person per Year	Total annual food waste divided by the total campus FTE population	5.26	kg/person/year

Based on a campus population of 9,000 FTE, the average annual food waste is approximately **5.26 kg per person**, which is below **5.30 kg/person/year**.



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Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University has a canteen for food and refreshment and canteen follows the food safety and standard act 2006 guidelines.


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In different departments of Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Agra there is a provision for R.O. water plants for drinking water purpose.


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 DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND NUTRITION
 (INSTITUTE OF HOME SCIENCE, KHANDARI, AGRA)
 Organizing
CAFETERIA
 By M.Sc. (H.Sc.) Food & Nutrition



RECIPE : VADA – PAV
RATE- 20/-

Venue: Near Hall No-1, Institute of Home Science , Khandari, Agra
 Note: Every Saturday will be Different Recipes in Menu.










DR. BHIMRAO AMBEDKAR UNIVERSITY, AGRA
INSTITUTE OF HOME SCIENCE
 Swami Vivekanand Parisar, Khandari, Agra
in collaboration with
Health Department, Agra
organizes
Awareness Seminar and Health Camp
(NP-NCD, NTCP, NMHP, NPHCE)
under Mission Shakti Phase 5.0

Date : 9th December 2025 | Time : 10:30 am onwards
Venue : IHS, Hall No. 1, Swami Vivekanand Khandari Parisar, Agra

Prof Ashu Rani
 Hon'ble Vice Chancellor
 DBRAU, Agra

Prof. Achla Gakkhar
Co-ordinator

Dr. Piyush Jain
Nodal Office, NP-NCD

Dr. Arun Srivastava
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Dr. Deepti Singh
Organiser

Dr. Priya Yadav
Organiser

2.3 Student Hunger

2.3.1 Student Food Security and Hunger

Student food security is an important component of a supportive and inclusive higher-education environment. At **Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University (DBRAU), Agra**, the University recognises that access to adequate, safe, nutritious, and affordable food contributes significantly to students' health, academic performance, attendance, and overall well-being. Ensuring that students have regular access to meals is therefore considered an integral part of student welfare and an enabling academic environment.

The University provides food facilities through **hostel messes, cafeterias, canteens, and other food-service outlets** available across the campus. These facilities provide students with convenient access to meals and refreshments at affordable rates. Hostel mess facilities cater particularly to residential students by providing regular meals, while campus food outlets support the food requirements of students, faculty, staff, and visitors.

DBRAU also places emphasis on **food quality, hygiene, affordability, and accessibility**. The concerned administrative authorities and hostel management monitor food-service arrangements to ensure that students receive safe and hygienic meals in an appropriate campus environment. Feedback and student concerns related to food services can be communicated through the relevant hostel and university administrative mechanisms, enabling necessary improvements in food provision.

Through these measures, **Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Agra** seeks to create an environment in which students can pursue their education without food insecurity becoming a barrier to learning and participation. These initiatives contribute to the University's commitment to **Sustainable Development Goal 2 (SDG 2): Zero Hunger**, particularly by promoting access to safe, nutritious, and affordable food within the university community.

2.3.2 Student Hunger Intervention, Financial Support and Food Security for Students

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University (DBRAU), Agra, recognises that financial hardship can affect students' ability to meet essential educational and living requirements, including adequate food and nutrition. In alignment with **Sustainable Development Goal 2 (SDG 2):**

Zero Hunger, the University undertakes various measures to provide financial support to students and reduce economic barriers to their education and well-being.

The University facilitates access to a range of **scholarships, freeships, fellowships, and financial assistance schemes** provided by the Government, the University, and non-government organisations. These include the **Uttar Pradesh Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme, Youth Empowerment Scheme, PM Special Scholarship Scheme for students from Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, Aryabhata Scheme, One-Time Freeship for Poor Students, Sports Fellowship, and support from non-government bodies**. DBRAU also has a formal **Scholarship Policy** specifying eligibility conditions and financial benefits for different categories of students.

DBRAU Student Financial Support – 2024–25

Particular	Number of Students
Total students benefited from scholarships/freeships	2,585
Academic Year	2024–25
Major sources of support	Government, DBRAU and Non-Government Bodies

According to the University's NAAC Self Study Report, **2,585 students benefited from scholarships and freeships during 2022–23**. This represents the University's consolidated count of students benefiting from the various scholarship and freeship schemes during the year.

The detailed scholarship records show substantial support through the **UP Post-Matric Scholarship Scheme (2,397 students), Youth Empowerment Scheme (1,207 students), PM Special Scholarship Scheme (9 students), Aryabhata Scheme (16 students), One-Time Freeship for Poor Students (3 students), Sports Fellowship (167 students), and non-government financial support (1 student)**. These scheme-wise figures should not be added together because a student may receive support under more than one scheme; therefore, the University's reported consolidated beneficiary figure of **2,585 students** is used for institutional reporting.



Contribution to Student Food Security

Although scholarships and financial assistance are primarily intended to support educational expenses, they also contribute indirectly to **student food security** by reducing the financial burden on students and their families. Financial support can enable economically vulnerable students to allocate available resources toward essential requirements such as food, accommodation, transportation, books, and other necessities.

Through these measures, DBRAU seeks to ensure that **financial constraints do not become a barrier to students' education, participation, health, and overall well-being**. The University's scholarship and student-support mechanisms therefore contribute to an inclusive and supportive educational environment and strengthen its broader commitment to **SDG 2 – Zero Hunger**.

The University's documented scholarship and financial-support framework demonstrates its commitment to equitable access to higher education and to supporting students from economically and socially disadvantaged backgrounds.

2.3.3 Sustainable Food Choices on Campus

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University (DBRAU), Agra, recognises the importance of promoting **sustainable, responsible, and environmentally conscious food practices** across the campus. The University encourages food-service facilities, including hostel messes, canteens, and other campus food outlets, to adopt practices that support both student well-being and environmental sustainability.

The University promotes the use of **fresh and seasonal food items**, efficient utilisation of food resources, and responsible food-service practices. Emphasis is also placed on maintaining cleanliness and hygiene in food preparation and serving areas. Wherever feasible, efforts are made to minimise unnecessary use of **single-use plastics and other disposable materials** and to encourage environmentally responsible waste-management practices.

DBRAU also recognises the importance of reducing **food waste** generated through campus dining facilities. Food-service and hostel management systems can contribute to this objective through appropriate food preparation, portion management, responsible handling of leftovers, and segregation of food waste for suitable disposal or further processing.

Through these measures, DBRAU seeks to develop a campus food culture that combines **nutrition, affordability, hygiene, resource efficiency, and environmental responsibility**, contributing to the University's broader sustainability objectives and **SDG 2: Zero Hunger**.

2.3.4 Healthy and Affordable Food Choices

DBRAU recognises that access to **healthy, safe, hygienic, and affordable food** is an important component of student welfare and a supportive academic environment. The University provides food facilities through hostel messes, canteens, cafeterias, and other food-service outlets, enabling students, faculty, staff, and visitors to access meals and refreshments conveniently within the campus.

Affordable and Hygienic Dining Facilities

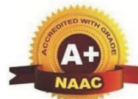
The University's hostel messes and campus food outlets provide **reasonably priced food options** to meet the requirements of students, particularly those residing in university hostels.

Hostel food services are managed under the supervision of the concerned authorities and hostel administration, with attention to **food quality, hygiene, cleanliness, and affordability**.

The University encourages food-service providers to maintain appropriate standards of food preparation, storage, serving, and sanitation. Regular monitoring and feedback mechanisms help address issues relating to food quality and dining facilities and support continuous improvement.

By providing accessible and affordable food facilities within the campus, DBRAU aims to ensure that students can obtain nutritious meals without significant additional financial or logistical burden. These initiatives support **student health, well-being, academic participation, and food security**, while contributing to the University's commitment to **SDG 2 – Zero Hunger**.

The **Central Canteen and faculty-student cafeterias** at Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University (DBRAU), Agra, further support accessible and affordable food services on campus. These facilities provide students, faculty, and staff with a variety of **wholesome, hygienic, and reasonably priced meals and refreshments**, supporting inclusivity for students from diverse socio-economic backgrounds. Multiple food outlets across the University campus provide convenient access to different food choices, while emphasis is placed on **fresh food preparation, quality, hygiene, and affordability**. These initiatives reflect the University's recognition that **good nutrition is an important foundation for effective learning, student health, and overall well-being**, while responsible food practices contribute to the University's broader sustainability objectives.



Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Agra

EXHIBITION ON CULINARY HERITAGE OF AGRA MANDAL

"Heritage on a Plate : Taste of our District"

ONE DISTRICT - ONE CUISINE

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Hon'ble Prime Minister



Shri Yogi Adityanath
Hon'ble Chief Minister
Uttar Pradesh



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Hon'ble Vice Chancellor

Date : 21st February 2026

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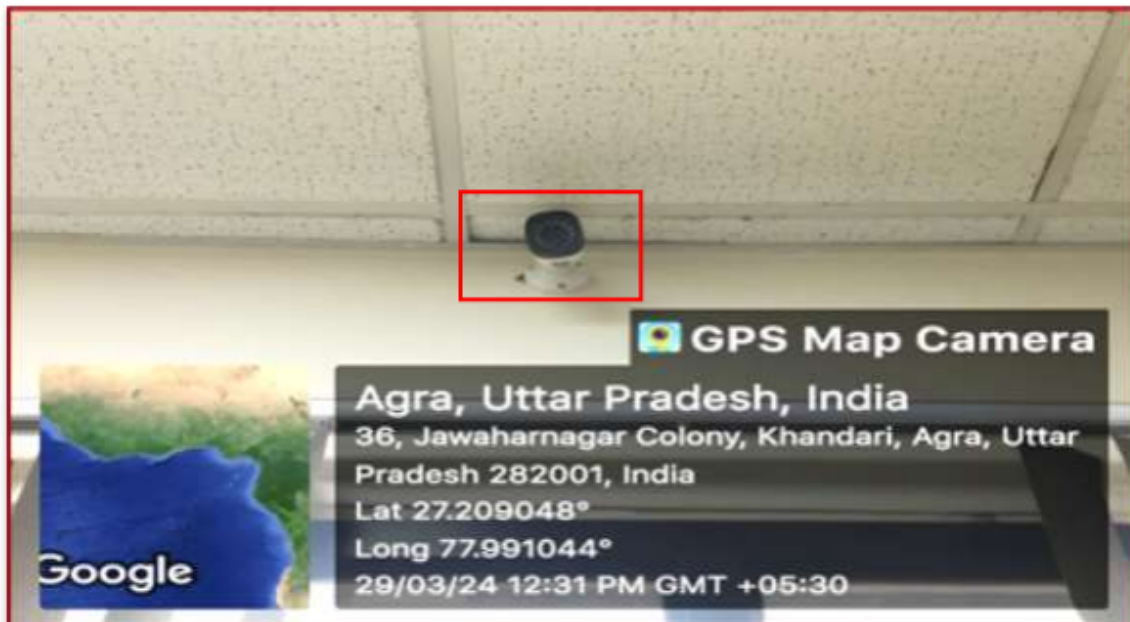
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CCTV Surveillance System



To enhance security measures, CCTV surveillance cameras have been deployed within the girls' hostel premises



Ensuring Girls' Safety with Secure Hostel Accommodations



Empowering Safety: Lady Guards Vigilantly Watch Over the Girl's Hostel



Girls are Enjoying a Meal in the Mess

Mess Facility in Girls Hostel



Convenient Campus Amenities: Canteen Facility Available On-Site

Hygiene and Food Safety

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University (DBRAU), Agra, places considerable emphasis on maintaining **hygiene, cleanliness, and food safety** in its hostel messes, canteens, cafeterias, and other food-service facilities. Food preparation and serving areas are expected to be maintained in clean and sanitary conditions, with appropriate attention to the safe handling, preparation, storage, and serving of food. Regular cleaning of kitchens, dining areas, utensils, and food-preparation spaces contributes to maintaining a hygienic dining environment for students, faculty, and staff.

The University also promotes awareness among personnel associated with food services regarding **food hygiene, safe food handling, personal cleanliness, and sanitation practices**. These measures help minimise the risk of food contamination and support the provision of safe and hygienic meals on campus.



Balanced Diet Accessibility

DBRAU recognises that access to **nutritious and balanced food** is an important component of student health, well-being, and academic performance. Through its hostel messes, central canteen, cafeterias, and other food outlets, the University facilitates access to a variety of food options at affordable rates.

The University encourages food-service facilities to provide wholesome meals prepared with attention to **nutritional value, freshness, hygiene, and quality**. Convenient access to reasonably priced food helps students, including those from economically disadvantaged backgrounds, meet their basic nutritional requirements during their academic journey.

University-Wide Contribution to SDG 2 – Zero Hunger

DBRAU adopts a comprehensive approach towards achieving **Sustainable Development Goal 2 – Zero Hunger** by integrating student welfare, education, research, innovation, healthcare-related initiatives, and community engagement. Through academic programmes and research activities, the University promotes awareness of issues related to **food security, nutrition, sustainable development, and responsible resource utilisation**.

The University's academic and research ecosystem provides opportunities for developing knowledge and evidence-based solutions to societal challenges. Community outreach and extension activities further enable the University to contribute to awareness and social development beyond the campus. Through these combined efforts, DBRAU seeks to promote a more **healthy, inclusive, sustainable, and equitable society**.

Student Welfare and Support Mechanisms

The University provides student-support mechanisms through the **Student Welfare Cell, concerned Deans, faculty members, hostel authorities, and other designated administrative bodies**. Students facing financial difficulties can access applicable scholarships, fee concessions, freeships, and other forms of financial assistance under University and government schemes.

Such financial-support measures help reduce the overall economic burden on students and can indirectly contribute to **food security and nutritional well-being** by enabling students to manage essential educational and living expenses. Hostel wardens, faculty members, and student-support authorities also provide an important support system for identifying and addressing genuine student welfare concerns.

Through these mechanisms, DBRAU strives to ensure that **financial hardship does not become a barrier to education, nutrition, or student participation**, reinforcing its commitment to an inclusive and supportive campus environment under **SDG 2 – Zero Hunger**.

2.3.5 Staff Hunger Interventions

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University (DBRAU), Agra, recognises that the well-being and food security of its faculty members, non-teaching employees, contractual personnel, and other support staff are important components of a healthy and productive institutional environment. The University facilitates access to **affordable, hygienic, and accessible food** through its campus canteens, cafeterias, and other available food-service facilities.

Staff Dining Facilities and Affordable Meals

The University's **central canteen, cafeterias, and other campus food outlets** provide food and refreshments for faculty members, non-teaching staff, students, and visitors. These facilities offer reasonably priced food options, enabling employees to access meals conveniently during working hours. Attention is given to cleanliness, hygiene, food quality, and appropriate food-service practices.

Intervention	Source/Institutional Mechanism	Support Provided
Staff Dining Facilities and Affordable Meals	University canteen, cafeterias and campus food outlets	Affordable meals and refreshments available to faculty and non-teaching staff
Employee/Staff Welfare Support	University welfare mechanisms and applicable policies	Financial assistance and welfare support for eligible employees facing genuine financial difficulties
On-campus Food Distribution Initiatives	University administration, departments and outreach activities	Food distribution and welfare support during appropriate institutional/community occasions

Health and Nutrition Awareness	University health and welfare initiatives	Promotion of healthy eating, nutrition awareness and employee well-being
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Staff Welfare and Financial Support

DBRAU recognises that temporary financial difficulties can affect the overall well-being of employees. The University therefore provides applicable **employee welfare measures, financial assistance, and support mechanisms** in accordance with University rules and institutional policies. Such measures can help employees manage unexpected financial pressures and contribute indirectly to household food security.

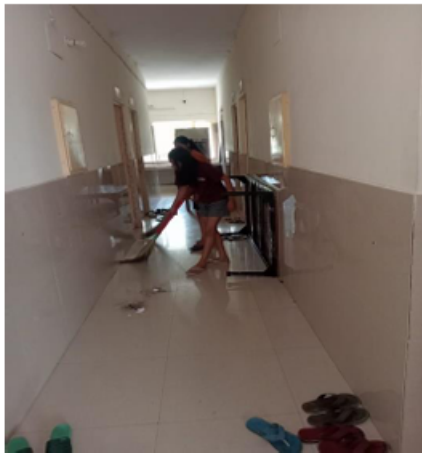
On-campus Food Distribution and Community Support

The University and its various departments, student-support bodies, and outreach initiatives undertake activities that promote **social welfare and community engagement**. Where applicable, food and refreshments are distributed during institutional programmes, festivals, outreach activities, and other community-oriented events. Such initiatives may particularly benefit contractual, housekeeping, security, and other support personnel associated with campus operations.

Healthy and Food-Secure Work Environment

DBRAU also promotes employee well-being through access to campus food facilities and health-related awareness initiatives. By encouraging **hygienic food practices, affordable meal access, nutrition awareness, and employee welfare**, the University contributes to creating a healthy and supportive workplace.

These measures demonstrate DBRAU's commitment to ensuring that **food security and economic well-being extend beyond students to the wider University community**, including faculty, non-teaching employees, contractual workers, and support staff. These initiatives contribute to the University's broader commitment to **SDG 2 – Zero Hunger**, while also supporting employee welfare, dignity, health, and a sustainable campus environment.



Hostel resident girls actively participated in the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan reflecting the hostel's commitment to maintaining hygiene and a healthy living environment, in the spirit of a Clean India

YEARS 1927-20



Diverse range of medicinal and herbal plants have been planted and taken care by the girls in the hostel premises



2.4 Proportion of Graduates in Agriculture and Related Sustainability Fields

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University (DBRAU), Agra, contributes directly to agricultural education, food security, nutrition, environmental sustainability, and rural development through its academic programmes and research activities. The University has a dedicated **Faculty of Agriculture**, with agriculture education focusing on improving agricultural productivity, sustainable farming practices, rural livelihoods, and food security.

In addition to Agriculture, DBRAU offers programmes and courses in related disciplines such as Agriculture Marketing, Horticulture, Fisheries, Biotechnology, Botany, Biochemistry, Microbiology, Environmental Science, Home Science, Food and Nutrition, Rural Development Management, and Social Work. These interdisciplinary areas provide students with knowledge and skills relevant to sustainable food systems, nutrition, agricultural value chains, environmental protection, and rural livelihood development.

The University's academic framework therefore supports SDG 2 (Zero Hunger) by preparing graduates who can contribute to sustainable agriculture, food production, nutrition

improvement, agricultural entrepreneurship, rural development, and the responsible management of natural resources.

2.4.1 Proportion of Graduates in Agriculture and Aquaculture

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University offers formal academic opportunities in agriculture and related areas. The University has a dedicated Department/Faculty of Agriculture, and its undergraduate curriculum includes **Agriculture, Agriculture Marketing, Fisheries, and Horticulture**. The University's academic records also identify Agriculture as an established area of teaching and research.

The University's Agriculture Department was established with the objective of advancing agricultural education, research, and innovation and of bridging traditional agricultural practices with modern technologies. Its stated areas of emphasis include precision farming, biotechnology, climate-resilient agriculture, agricultural productivity, sustainability, and rural development.

DBRAU also supports research in agriculture and allied disciplines. Its research activities include areas such as agricultural chemistry and soil science, agricultural economics, agricultural engineering, agricultural extension, agronomy, animal husbandry and dairying, entomology, horticulture, plant breeding and genetics, and plant pathology.

Accordingly, graduates and researchers associated with these disciplines contribute to the development of sustainable agricultural practices, improved crop productivity, food security, agricultural value addition, and rural livelihood enhancement.

2.5 NATIONAL HUNGER

Hunger and malnutrition remain important national development challenges requiring coordinated interventions in agriculture, nutrition, healthcare, education, social development, and livelihood generation. Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University contributes to addressing these challenges through its academic programmes, research activities, community-oriented education, and multidisciplinary engagement.

DBRAU's contribution to SDG 2 extends beyond agricultural production to include food and nutrition education, life sciences, rural development, social work, environmental studies, and research related to the livelihood and nutritional security of communities. The University's Institute of Social Sciences identifies **Food Security and Livelihood** as one of its research areas, while its academic programmes in Home Science, Food and Nutrition, Agriculture, Life Sciences, and Rural Development provide complementary approaches to addressing food and nutrition security.

2.5.1 Access to Food Security Knowledge

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University promotes knowledge related to food security through its interdisciplinary academic and research ecosystem. The **Faculty of Agriculture** provides education in agricultural sciences, while programmes in Home Science and Food & Nutrition address aspects of nutrition, dietary practices, food management, and household well-being. Programmes in Biotechnology, Botany, Biochemistry, Microbiology, and Environmental Science further contribute scientific perspectives relevant to food production, food quality, biological resources, and environmental sustainability.

The University's research portfolio also demonstrates its engagement with food and livelihood security. A notable research project focused on the **nutritional and livelihood security of small-scale farmers of the Braj region through Vetiveria and Desmostachya using biotechnological tools**. Such research connects agricultural biodiversity, biotechnology, farmer livelihoods, and nutritional security, directly supporting the objectives of SDG 2.

Through these academic and research activities, students and researchers gain exposure to sustainable agricultural practices, food security challenges, rural livelihoods, nutrition, environmental management, and the application of scientific technologies for improving community well-being.

2.5.2 Events for Local Farmers and Food Producers

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University contributes to agricultural and rural development through academic engagement, research, extension-oriented activities, and knowledge sharing. The University's Agriculture Department has been established with a focus on agricultural education, research, innovation, productivity, sustainability, and rural development.

The University also has expertise across Agriculture, Agriculture Marketing, Horticulture, Fisheries, Rural Development Management, Social Work, Home Science, and Life Sciences. This multidisciplinary academic environment provides opportunities for interaction with farming communities and other rural stakeholders on issues including sustainable agriculture, agricultural marketing, crop improvement, nutrition, livelihood development, and environmental sustainability.

Such activities support the dissemination of scientific knowledge and encourage the adoption of improved agricultural practices, thereby contributing to enhanced productivity, sustainable livelihoods, and local food security.

2.5.3 University Access to Local Farmers and Food Producers

DBRAU's commitment to food security and rural livelihood development is reflected in its Agriculture, Rural Development, Social Work, Life Sciences, and Home Science programmes and research activities. The University provides an academic platform through which agricultural knowledge, scientific research, and community-oriented approaches can be connected with the needs of farmers and rural communities.

The Faculty of Agriculture specifically aims to bridge traditional agricultural practices with modern technological advancements. Its focus on precision farming, biotechnology, climate-resilient agriculture, agricultural productivity, and sustainable farming systems creates opportunities for transferring scientific knowledge to farming communities.

DBRAU's research engagement further strengthens this contribution. Research on the nutritional and livelihood security of small-scale farmers in the Braj region demonstrates the University's focus on developing agricultural and biotechnological approaches that can improve farmer livelihoods while supporting nutritional security.

Through these academic, research, and community-oriented initiatives, Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University supports local farmers and food producers by promoting sustainable agricultural practices, scientific innovation, improved agricultural productivity, food and nutrition security, and stronger rural livelihoods. These efforts contribute directly to **SDG 2: Zero Hunger** and support the broader goals of sustainable rural development.

2.5.4 SUSTAINABLE FOOD PURCHASES

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University (DBRAU), Agra, recognizes the importance of sustainable food procurement in promoting food security, nutrition, environmental responsibility, and the well-being of the university community. The University's hostels, canteens, and other food-service facilities procure essential food items such as vegetables, grains, pulses, fruits, and other ingredients through local and regional suppliers, wherever feasible.

Preference for locally available and seasonal food products helps support local producers and strengthens regional food systems. Local procurement also has the potential to reduce transportation distances, minimize food wastage, encourage consumption of fresh and nutritious food, and contribute to sustainable food practices on campus.

Through its academic programmes and institutional practices in Agriculture, Home Science, Food and Nutrition, Life Sciences, and related disciplines, DBRAU promotes awareness of food quality, nutrition, sustainable agriculture, and responsible resource use. Thus, sustainable food procurement forms an important component of the University's broader commitment to **SDG 2: Zero Hunger**.

Key DBRAU Initiatives Contributing to National Hunger Alleviation

i. Community-Based Nutrition, Agriculture and Livelihood Interventions

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University contributes to hunger alleviation through its multidisciplinary academic, research, and community-oriented activities. The University's **Faculty of Agriculture** focuses on agricultural education, research, innovation, sustainable farming, agricultural productivity, and rural development. These activities contribute to strengthening food production and improving the knowledge and skills of students and rural stakeholders. (dbrau.ac.in)

The University's Institute of Social Sciences also identifies **Food Security and Livelihood** as an area of research, reflecting the importance given to the relationship between food availability, nutrition, employment, and rural livelihoods. (dbrau.ac.in)

DBRAU has undertaken research addressing the nutritional and livelihood security of small-scale farmers in the Braj region. Such initiatives seek to integrate agricultural resources and

scientific and biotechnological approaches with livelihood development and nutritional security, thereby contributing to the broader objectives of SDG 2. (dbrau.ac.in)

The University's programmes in **Agriculture, Horticulture, Fisheries, Agriculture Marketing, Home Science, Food and Nutrition, Rural Development Management, Biotechnology, Botany, Biochemistry, and Microbiology** provide an interdisciplinary foundation for addressing food production, nutrition, food quality, sustainable resource management, and rural development. (dbrau.ac.in)

Through these academic and community-oriented initiatives, DBRAU contributes to improving awareness of nutrition and food security, strengthening agricultural knowledge, supporting sustainable rural livelihoods, and promoting scientific approaches to food production. These efforts complement national efforts to reduce hunger and malnutrition and advance **SDG 2: Zero Hunger**.

ii. Nutritional Support for TB Patients

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University (DBRAU), Agra, recognizes the important relationship between nutrition, immunity, and the effective management of tuberculosis (TB). Undernutrition can increase vulnerability to infection and may adversely affect recovery, making nutritional support an important complementary component of TB care.

Through its academic departments, health-related programmes, community outreach activities, and social-service initiatives, the University contributes to awareness regarding balanced diets, nutrition, preventive healthcare, and community well-being. Students and faculty associated with disciplines such as **Home Science, Food and Nutrition, Life Sciences, Social Work, and allied health-related areas** are equipped with knowledge relevant to nutrition and public health.

The University can further contribute to TB elimination through nutrition-awareness activities, health education programmes, screening and community outreach in collaboration with relevant government departments and healthcare institutions. Such interventions can help improve awareness of the nutritional needs of TB patients and encourage timely treatment, appropriate dietary practices, and community support.

These activities complement the objectives of the **National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme (NTEP)** and contribute to SDG 2 by addressing the relationship between food security, nutrition, and health.

iii. Academic Programmes Focused on Food and Nutrition

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University has an interdisciplinary academic structure that contributes to food security and nutrition through programmes and courses related to **Agriculture, Home Science, Food and Nutrition, Life Sciences, Biotechnology, Botany, Biochemistry, Microbiology, Environmental Science, Horticulture, Fisheries, and Rural Development.**

The University's Agriculture programmes provide students with knowledge of crop production, sustainable agriculture, agricultural productivity, horticulture, agricultural marketing, and related areas. Its programmes in Home Science and Food and Nutrition provide complementary knowledge relating to nutrition, food management, health, and family and community well-being. (dbrau.ac.in)

DBRAU's multidisciplinary academic environment enables students to understand the interconnected challenges of food production, food security, malnutrition, nutrition education, sustainable resource management, and rural livelihoods. The University's research activities also include work related to the **nutritional and livelihood security of small-scale farmers in the Braj region**, demonstrating the relevance of academic research to local food-security challenges. (dbrau.ac.in)

Through these academic and research initiatives, DBRAU prepares students to contribute to sustainable agriculture, nutrition improvement, food security, public health, and rural development, thereby supporting the objectives of **SDG 2: Zero Hunger.**

iv. Skill Development and Livelihood Initiatives

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University integrates skill development and employability with its broader objectives of rural development, livelihood enhancement, and social empowerment. Skill-oriented education provides students and community members with practical competencies that can improve employment opportunities, entrepreneurship, household incomes, and resilience.

The University's academic framework includes areas such as **Agriculture, Agriculture Marketing, Horticulture, Fisheries, Rural Development Management, Home Science, Food and Nutrition, and allied life-science disciplines**. These programmes provide opportunities for students to acquire both theoretical knowledge and practical skills relevant to agriculture, food systems, rural livelihoods, and community development. (dbrau.ac.in)

The University's Agriculture Department emphasizes modern and sustainable approaches to agricultural development, including precision farming, biotechnology, climate-resilient agriculture, improved agricultural productivity, and sustainable farming practices. Such training can help students and future professionals address emerging challenges in food production while promoting sustainable livelihoods. (dbrau.ac.in)

DBRAU also promotes the connection between agricultural knowledge and rural livelihood development through research and community-oriented initiatives. Research concerning small-scale farmers in the Braj region, including work on nutritional and livelihood security, demonstrates the University's emphasis on improving the economic and nutritional well-being of rural communities. (dbrau.ac.in)

By linking education, practical skills, agricultural innovation, nutrition, and livelihood development, Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University contributes to strengthening household economic security and community resilience. These efforts support the broader objectives of **SDG 2 – Zero Hunger**, particularly by promoting sustainable food production, improved nutrition, productive livelihoods, and inclusive rural development.

Employability and Practical Learning

The University's emphasis on practical and interdisciplinary education enables students to apply classroom knowledge to real-world challenges. Agriculture and allied programmes provide opportunities to develop competencies related to crop production, horticulture, agricultural marketing, fisheries, food and nutrition, and rural development.

Such practical exposure strengthens employability while also creating a pool of trained graduates capable of contributing to agricultural innovation, food processing, nutrition education, rural entrepreneurship, and sustainable livelihood initiatives.

Through this integration of academic learning, practical skills, research, and community engagement, DBRAU strengthens its contribution to food security and sustainable development in the Agra region and beyond.

Key Focus Areas

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University (DBRAU), Agra, emphasizes practical knowledge, professional competencies, and socially responsible education across its academic and skill-development programmes. Key focus areas relevant to food, nutrition, hospitality, and sustainable livelihoods include:

- **Professionalism and Work Ethics:** Developing professional conduct, workplace discipline, communication skills, teamwork, and ethical practices among students.
- **Food Production and Operational Skills:** Providing practical knowledge related to food preparation, food-service operations, entrepreneurship, and efficient management of food-related activities.
- **Food Safety and Sanitation:** Promoting awareness of hygienic food handling, sanitation practices, safe storage, contamination prevention, and food-quality standards.
- **Nutrition and Healthy Food Practices:** Creating awareness of basic nutrition principles, balanced diets, healthy food choices, and the importance of nutrition in individual and community well-being.
- **Product and Resource Knowledge:** Developing students' ability to identify food ingredients, understand their nutritional and functional properties, and use appropriate tools, equipment, and resources efficiently.

These competencies help students develop employability and entrepreneurship skills while creating awareness of responsible food practices and sustainable food systems. They also support the broader objectives of **SDG 2: Zero Hunger**, particularly in the areas of nutrition, food safety, sustainable livelihoods, and community well-being.

जेपी सभागार में गुंजा जागरूक बेटी से ही बनेगा खुशहाल परिवार, सर्वाइकल कैंसर से बचाव को लगावाएँ वैकसीन संवाद से फैलेगी स्वास्थ्य जागरूकता: डॉ. बबीता

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आगरा, चरिष्ठ संवाददाता। डॉ. भीमराव अम्बेडकर विश्वविद्यालय के स्वामी विवेकानंद खंदारी परिसर स्थित जेपी सभागार में शनिवार को दीक्षोत्सव कार्यक्रम के तहत स्वस्थ बेटी, खुशहाल परिवार विषय पर परिचर्चा आयोजित की गई। इसमें बेटी की सर्वाइकल कैंसर समेत अन्य गंभीर बीमारियों से बचाव, एचपीवी वैकसीन और मां-बेटी के बीच संवाद को महत्वा पर विशेषज्ञों ने विचार रखे।

मुख्य अतिथि डॉ. बबीता सिंह चौहान ने कहा कि मां अपने बच्चों की सबसे अच्छी मित्र होती है और उनके स्वास्थ्य के प्रति सबसे अधिक सजग रहती है। उन्होंने कहा कि आज कई बेटीयाँ अपनी समस्याएँ माँ से साझा नहीं कर पाती, जिससे दोनों के बीच संवाद की कमी बढ़ रही है। उन्होंने माताओं और बेटीयों से खुलकर बातचीत करने और विश्वास का रिश्ता मजबूत बनाने का



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आइए जानिए। कैंसर विशेषज्ञ डॉ. संदीप अग्रवाल और डॉ. प्रिया यादव ने छात्राओं को रक्त और गर्भाशय प्रीव (सर्वाइकल) कैंसर के बारे में जानकारी दी। उन्होंने कहा कि सही समय पर एचपीवी वैकसीन लगवाने और नियमित जांच से सर्वाइकल कैंसर की प्रभावी रोकथाम संभव है। विशेषज्ञों ने सलाह दी कि 12 से 14 वर्ष की आयु तथा विवाह से पहले यह टीका लगवा लेना चाहिए। उन्होंने कहा कि भारत में

अधिकतर मामलों का पता बीमारी बढ़ने के बाद चलता है, इसलिए समय पर जांच और जागरूकता बहुत जरूरी है।

कार्यक्रम का उद्देश्य किशोरियों और महिलाओं में सर्वाइकल कैंसर की रोकथाम, एचपीवी वैकसीन, महिला स्वास्थ्य, मायिक धर्म स्वच्छता तथा मां-बेटी के बीच संवाद को बढ़ावा देना रहा। कुलपति प्रो. आशु रानी ने कहा कि महिलाएं परिवार की जिम्मेदारियों के बीच अक्सर

अपने स्वास्थ्य की उपेक्षा कर देती हैं, जबकि स्वस्थ परिवार की आधारशिला स्वस्थ महिला होती है। उन्होंने महिलाओं से समय पर चिकित्सकीय परामर्श लेने और स्वास्थ्य योजनाओं का लाभ उठाने की अपील की। साथ ही सरकार के सहयोग से विश्वविद्यालय के कर्मचारियों की 9 से 15 वर्ष आयु वर्ग की बेटीयों के लिए प्रतिवर्ष नि:शुल्क एचपीवी टीकाकरण अभियान शुरू करने की घोषणा की।

मां-बेटी सम्मेलन का पोस्टर हुआ जारी

कार्यक्रम में तीन अग्रस्त को लेने वाले मां-बेटी सम्मेलन के पोस्टर का डिजाइन भी हुआ। सम्मेलन राजपाल आनंदीदा फौल के मार्गदर्शन में होगा। साथ ही 22 जुलाई को विधि के आरोग्य केंद्र में सुबह 11 से दोपहर 1 बजे तक महिला स्वास्थ्य जांच शिविर व 14 से 15 वर्ष की बालिकाओं को नि:शुल्क एचपीवी टीकाकरण होगा।

ये रहे उपस्थित: प्रो. अमला गवखर ने किया तथा मंच संचालन पूजा सक्सेना ने किया। कार्यक्रम में डॉ. मोनिका अस्थाना, डॉ. रत्ना पांडे, डॉ. मीनाक्षी चौधरी एवं प्राचार्य सोहन निषाद का सहयोग रहा। इस अवसर पर प्रो. अमला सिंह, डॉ. रेखा शर्मा, डॉ. पूनम तिवारी, डॉ. स्वातंत्रा, डॉ. तोरन, राधिका, रेखा, अरुणमा, दीपति, प्रिया सहित विश्वविद्यालय परिवार के अनेक सदस्य उपस्थित रहे।

v. Awareness and Outreach Activities

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University (DBRAU) conducts awareness and outreach activities on balanced nutrition, healthy eating, food safety, hygiene, and healthy lifestyle practices through its academic departments and community engagement programmes.

Girls of the hostel have developed a sense of ownership and responsibility towards the green spaces of their hostel



vi. Health Education and Nutrition Awareness Generation Activities

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University (DBRAU), Agra, conducts awareness activities related to **nutrition, balanced diets, food safety, maternal health, and healthy lifestyle practices** through its academic departments and community outreach programmes. These initiatives encourage students and community members to adopt affordable, nutritious, and healthy dietary practices.

- **Celebration of National Nutrition Week**

DBRAU observes **National Nutrition Week (September 1–7)** through activities such as awareness lectures, poster presentations, discussions, and nutrition education programmes. Emphasis is placed on affordable and nutritious foods, including **millet, pulses, fruits, and vegetables**, to promote healthy eating and address malnutrition.

- **World Breastfeeding Week**

DBRAU observes **World Breastfeeding Week (August 1–7)** to create awareness about **exclusive breastfeeding, maternal nutrition, infant health, and appropriate complementary feeding**. Activities may include health awareness sessions, poster competitions, quizzes, discussions, and community outreach involving students, faculty, staff, and community members.

These initiatives promote maternal and child nutrition and strengthen the University's contribution to **SDG 2: Zero Hunger** by encouraging healthy feeding practices and improved nutritional awareness.



vii. Extension and Outreach Activities, Livelihood Activities

Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar University (DBRAU), Agra, undertakes extension and outreach activities related to **food security, nutrition, sustainable agriculture, skill development, and community welfare**. These initiatives connect academic knowledge with community needs and support the objectives of **SDG 2: Zero Hunger**.



नगर निगम, पतंजलि योग समिति और डा. भीमराव आवेडकर विश्वविद्यालय की ओर से पालीवाल पार्क में आयोजित योग शिविर में भाग लेती महापौर हेमलता दिवाकर, कुलपति प्रो. आशु रानी व अन्य जगह

पालीवाल पार्क में सैकड़ों नागरिकों ने किया सामूहिक योगाभ्यास

अंतरराष्ट्रीय योग दिवस पर जनप्रतिनिधि, अधिकारी और नागरिक हुए एकजुट, महापौर ने साइकिल रैली को दिखाई हरी झंडी

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आगरा। अंतरराष्ट्रीय योग दिवस के अवसर पर पालीवाल पार्क में नगर निगम, विश्वविद्यालय एवं पतंजलि योगपीठ के संयुक्त तत्वावधान में भव्य सामूहिक योग कार्यक्रम आयोजित हुआ। जिसमें जनप्रतिनिधियों, प्रशासनिक अधिकारियों, शिक्षाविदों, सामाजिक संगठनों के प्रतिनिधियों तथा बड़ी संख्या में नागरिकों ने सहभागिता कर योग के महत्व का संदेश दिया।

प्रशिक्षकों के निर्देशन में प्रतिभागियों ने विभिन्न योगासन, प्राणायाम एवं ध्यान का अभ्यास किया। योग साधकों ने निर्वाचित योग को स्वस्थ एवं संतुलित जीवन का आधार बताते हुए इसे जन-जन तक पहुंचाने का संकल्प लिया। कार्यक्रम में महापौर हेमलता दिवाकर कुशवाह, नगर आयुक्त संतोष कुमार



वैश्य, डॉ. भीमराव आवेडकर विश्वविद्यालय की कुलपति आशु रानी तथा विधायक पुरुषोत्तम खंडेलवाल सहित अनेक गणमान्य नागरिक उपस्थित रहे। वक्ताओं ने

योग को शारीरिक, मानसिक और आध्यात्मिक संतुलन का प्रभावी माध्यम बताते हुए नियमित योग अपनाने का आह्वान किया। इस दौरान महापौर, नगर आयुक्त और

कुलपति ने संयुक्त रूप से पीधारोपण कर 'एक पेड़ मां के नाम' अभियान का संदेश भी दिया। कार्यक्रम के समापन पर केंद्र सरकार के 12 वर्ष पूर्ण होने के उपलक्ष्य में एलीट ग्रुप



द्वारा आयोजित साइकिल रैली को महापौर ने हरी झंडी दिखाकर रवाना किया। रैली के माध्यम से फिट इंडिया, स्वस्थ भारत और जनजागरूकता का संदेश दिया गया।

योग दिवस का यह आयोजन शहरवासियों को स्वास्थ्य, अनुशासन और सकारात्मक जीवनशैली अपनाने की प्रेरणा देकर संपन्न हुआ।

Community Development and Livelihood Activities

The University promotes community development through **skill training, women empowerment, agriculture-related activities, vocational education, and livelihood support**. Such initiatives help improve employability, income generation, self-reliance, and the socio-economic well-being of rural and underserved communities.



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Women Empowerment through Skill Development

DBRAU encourages women and youth to develop skills in areas such as **tailoring, handicrafts, food-related activities, agriculture, and entrepreneurship**. These programmes provide opportunities for self-employment and supplementary income, contributing to improved household economic and food security.





School Health Camps

The University conducts **health and awareness activities for school children**, focusing on nutrition, hygiene, sanitation, and healthy lifestyle practices. Health education helps promote balanced nutrition, personal hygiene, and early awareness of nutritional and health-related concerns.

Through these extension, livelihood, and health initiatives, DBRAU contributes to **nutrition improvement, community well-being, sustainable livelihoods, and Zero Hunger**.



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ON THE OCCASION OF

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HEALTH CHECK-UP CAMP

Tuesday, 10 March 2026 • Venue : Paliwal Park Campus, Agra





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Swami Vivekanand Parisar, Khandari, Agra

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organizes

Awareness Seminar and Health Camp

(NP-NCD, NTCP, NMHP, NPHCE)

under Mission Shakti Phase 5.0

Date : 9th December 2025 | Time : 10:30 am onwards

Venue : IHS, Hall No. 1, Swami Vivekanand Khandari Parisar, Agra

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