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यह एक स्वतंत्र परियोजना है, जो सरकार की आधिकारिक करियर-मार्गदर्शन सामग्री पर आधारित है। · An independent project based on the Government's official career-guidance content.

1 About this career

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2 At a glance

Minimum qualification	B.Sc. Agri/allied
Key Recruitment	IBPS SO AFO (Bank)
Avg Salary	₹8-12 LPA (Bank)
Work mode	Field + Bank

3 What you need

INTERESTS

- Hands-on and field work
- Working with and for people
- Solving problems

ABILITIES

- Sense of shape and space
- Word, language sense and writing
- Working with tools, equipment and software

KEY SKILLS

- Agri-loan and financial appraisal
- Knowledge of banking and documentation
- Data analysis and report writing
- Technical appraisal of crops and projects
- Communication and advice to farmers
- Field survey and monitoring

4 How to get there

- 1 Pass Class 12 with Agriculture or Science (PCB).
- 2 Earn a B.Sc. in Agriculture/Horticulture/Animal Husbandry/Forestry/Dairy.
- 3 For a bank AFO post, appear in the IBPS SO (Agriculture Field Officer) exam.
- 4 Clear the Prelims + Mains and the interview.
- 5 For research/teaching, pursue an M.Sc./Ph.D.

MAIN EXAMS

- IBPS SO – Agriculture Field Officer (Scale-I)
- SBI SO / other bank agriculture-officer recruitment
- JET / CUET (for undergraduate entry)

5 Where to study

GOVERNMENT INSTITUTES

- श्री कर्ण नरेंद्र कृषि विश्वविद्यालय (SKNAU) — Jobner, Jaipur (<https://www.sknau.ac.in/>)
- महाराणा प्रताप कृषि एवं प्रौद्योगिकी विश्वविद्यालय (MPUAT) — Udaipur (<https://www.mpuat.ac.in/>)
- स्वामी केशवानंद राजस्थान कृषि विश्वविद्यालय — Bikaner
- कृषि विश्वविद्यालय, जोधपुर / कोटा — Jodhpur, Kota

PRIVATE INSTITUTES

- सुरेश ज्ञान विहार विश्वविद्यालय — Jaipur
- इंस्टीट्यूट ऑफ हॉर्टिकल्चर टेक्नोलॉजी (मशरूम फार्मिंग) — Noida

ONLINE

- इंदिरा गांधी राष्ट्रीय मुक्त विश्वविद्यालय (IGNOU) — Distance learning
- वर्धमान महावीर खुला विश्वविद्यालय — Kota

FEES

Course fees can range from about ₹20,000 to ₹1.5 lakh per year; government institutes are cheaper. It depends on the institute and course.

SCHOLARSHIPS

- राजस्थान बालिका कृषि शिक्षा प्रोत्साहन (राज किसान) (<https://rajkisan.rajasthan.gov.in/>)

- राष्ट्रीय छात्रवृत्ति पोर्टल (NSP) (<https://scholarships.gov.in>)
- Buddy4Study (<https://www.buddy4study.com>)

6 What the work is like

WHERE YOU WORK

Public and private sector banks, agri-research centres, agri-marketing centres and rural branches.

WORK CULTURE

A mix of field and bank work; local travel to farms for loan appraisal is common. About 6 days a week, 8-9 hours a day.

WHO HIRES

- Public sector banks (SBI, PNB, Canara, etc.)
- NABARD and agri-finance institutions
- Agri-marketing and input companies
- Regional Rural Banks and cooperative banks
- Private banks and NBFCs
- Agri-research centres

DEMAND (2026)

As agri-lending and rural finance grow, banks regularly recruit IBPS SO Agriculture Field Officers; it is a stable, respected banking career for agriculture graduates.

7 Career growth

- 1 Agriculture Field Officer (Scale-I)
- 2 Agriculture Loan Manager
- 3 Chief Agriculture Officer
- 4 General Manager

EARNINGS

Starting	₹8-12 लाख/वर्ष (बैंक स्केल-I)
Mid level	₹12-18 लाख/वर्ष
Senior level	₹20 लाख+/वर्ष

A bank AFO is paid as a Scale-I officer with allowances, rising with promotions; it differs in private firms. Figures are indicative.

8 The good parts · The challenges

The good parts

- Stable, respected and secure bank job
- Good pay, allowances and promotion prospects
- Direct use of agri knowledge to help farmers

The challenges

- Tough competition in the IBPS SO exam
- Field visits and possible transfers
- Pressure of loan recovery and targets

9 Real-life journeys

Dhanchetti Kalyani

Agriculture Field Officer, Canara Bank

Agriculture graduate Dhanchetti Kalyani cleared the IBPS SO Agriculture Field Officer exam in her very first attempt and was selected by Canara Bank. She studied using YouTube and free resources, took daily mock tests and analysed her mistakes, which became the key to her success.

Bankers Adda · <https://www.bankersadda.com/success-story-of-dhanchetti-kalyani-selected-as-ibps-so-afo-in-canara-bank/>

Marri Madhukar

Agriculture Field Officer, Canara Bank

Agriculture graduate Marri Madhukar cleared the IBPS SO Agriculture Field Officer exam in the open category in his first attempt and joined Canara Bank. He focused on high-scoring topics in Prelims and started Mains preparation early to succeed.

Bankers Adda · <https://www.bankersadda.com/success-story-of-marri-madhukar-selected-as-ibps-so-agriculture-officer-in-canara-bank/>

10 Sources & further reading

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2. Rajasthan Career Guidance Portal — <https://cg.rajasthan.gov.in/careerguidance/>
3. SKN Agriculture University, Jobner — <https://www.sknu.ac.in/>
4. Raj Kisan Saathi Portal — <https://rajkisan.rajasthan.gov.in/>
5. National Scholarship Portal — <https://scholarships.gov.in>



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