A. About GLOBALG.A.P Standard

1. What is GlobalG.A.P.

- GLOBALG.A.P. is a brand of smart farm assurance solutions developed by Food PLUS GmbH in Cologne, Germany, with cooperation from producers, retailers, and other stakeholders from across the food industry. These solutions include a range of standards for safe, socially and environmentally responsible farming practices. The most widely used GLOBALG.A.P. Standard is Integrated Farm Assurance (IFA), applicable for fruit and vegetables, aquaculture, floriculture, livestock, and more. This standard also forms the basis for the GGN label: The consumer label for certified, responsible farming and transparency.
- The GLOBALG.A.P. brand began its journey as EUREPGAP in 1997. Two decades later, over 200,000 producers are under GLOBALG.A.P. Certification in 134 countries.
- Global G.A.P standard covers basically two parts
 - a. Farmers Related implementation: Control Points and Compliance Criteria Modules: All Farm Base, Crop Base, Fruit & Vegetable base, Combinable crops, Tea, Green Coffee, Agro Bio diversity module etc. All Farm Base and Crop Base, Agro Bio diversity module applies for all crops. Next depending upon the crop selected one of these, fruit & Vegetable or Combinable crops or Tea will be selected.
 - b. **Farmers Group related**: General regulations, Certification Process for group certification, Residue monitoring check list and overall implementation responsibility of farmers related as mentioned above

2. What Benefits will the standard bring to business.

- Add value to your products by complying with globally recognized GLOBALG.A.P.
 Standards.
- Gain access to new local and global customers, markets, suppliers, and retailers.
- Reduce your exposure to food safety and product safety reputation risks.
- Improve the efficiency of your farm processes and management.
- Receive a GLOBALG.A.P. Number (GGN) for easy identification and traceability on a B2B level.

3. Standard Applicable to

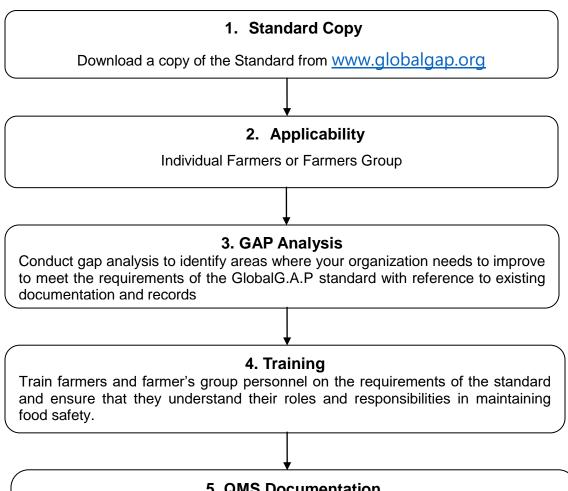
Applicable to all types of Farmers and Farmers Groups and all agricultural products.

Global GAP covers agricultural food crops, livestock, and Aquaculture.

4. Where can I down load the standard copy

You can visit www.globalgap.org and purchase a copy of the standard.

B. Steps in obtaining the Global G.A.P certification:



5. QMS Documentation

Develop a food safety management system documentation like a Quality Manual, Procedures, and Work Instructions, Record templates in compliance with its operations, and a food safety management system that meets the requirements of the GlobalG.A.P standard.

6. Internal Inspections

Conduct farm internal inspections of all the members of the farmers group by qualified internal inspectors and close all non-conformances.

7. Internal Audit

Conduct an internal audit of FPO documentation to ensure that your food safety management system meets the requirements of the GlobalG.A.P standard and is being effectively implemented for a minimum period of three months in case of first certification.

8. Non-Conformances

Correct any non-conformances identified during the internal audit and take corrective actions to prevent their recurrence.

9. Select a certification body

Submit the application form to a certification body that is accredited by Quality Council of India to issue GlobalG.A.P certification after all non-conformances are closed.

10. Certification Audit

The certification body will conduct an external audit to assess your organization's compliance with GlobalG.A.P. No of man-days for the audit and fees for certification depends on the number of farmers in the group and its processes, unit locations, etc

11. Certificate

On completion of the certification audit and the closure of all non-conformances, a certificate will be issued valid for one year

12. Main Certification

To maintain your GlobalG.A.P certification, you will need to renew the certificate on yearly basis

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