



## As Demand for Cage-free Eggs Increases, Department of Agriculture's Training Institute Offers Free E-Learning Course on Cage-free Egg Production

**14 October 2022, Manila, Philippines.** In the Philippines and across Asia, dozens of leading food and hospitality businesses have committed to only sourcing cage-free eggs. Some of these companies include Unilever, Nestle, Marriott International, and MetroMart. To meet this growing demand, more and more egg producers in the Philippines are seeking to adopt cage-free egg practices, and have expressed the need for technical training in cage-free production. As part of the partnership between the Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Training Institute (ATI) and Global Food Partners, the online course "Cage-free Egg Production: The Basics" was launched last Friday 14 October on the ATI's [e-learning Portal](#). The course is offered free of charge to producers in the country, as well as other individuals who are interested in the practice.

The course was developed by Global Food Partners' science and technical team, in collaboration with Netherlands-based Aeres University of Applied Sciences. The team has decades of experience working with poultry industries across the world on the adoption of best practices in cage-free egg production, including in India, China, Australia, Europe, and Vietnam.

The course features seven modules to help egg farmers, veterinarians, auditors, students and others involved in egg production, establish a basic understanding of animal welfare and cage-free egg production, as well as put the knowledge into daily practices.

Remelyn R. Recoter, MNSA, CESO III, OIC-Director IV of ATI, stated: "We're committed to supporting our farmers who are interested in adopting cage-free egg practices. Global Food Partners brings decades of experience working with producers to implement and optimise cage-free egg production, and their e-learning course provides valuable know-how and information on this topic. We encourage whoever is interested or involved in cage-free production to take advantage of this free course offering."

Jayasimha Nuggehalli, Global Food Partners' Chief Programme Officer, stated: "We're thrilled to be able to support ATI's network of egg farmers in the Philippines by providing our e-course free of charge. Buyers are increasingly preferring cage-free eggs, and our course gives farmers key information and tips for successfully adopting and maintaining cage-free farms."

To enroll in the "Cage-free Egg Production: The Basics" course, visit [e-extension.gov.ph/e-learning](https://e-extension.gov.ph/e-learning)

Those outside of the Philippines who are interested in the course can register at [academy.globalfoodpartners.com](https://academy.globalfoodpartners.com)

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### About Global Food Partners

Global Food Partners is a Singapore-based consulting company whose mission is to work with food businesses and egg producers to successfully transition to higher welfare cage-free sourcing and production, in Asia.

[Register for GFP's e-learning course](#) "Cage-free Egg Production: the Basics"

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### About ATI

ATI is a government agency under the Philippines' Department of Agriculture (DA) that provides training programs and services to agricultural extension workers to equip them with outcome-based knowledge and skills.

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