## ICFRE-RFRI conducts Training for SFS Officers, CASFOS, Burnihat 2023 ICFRE-RFRI, JORHAT ORGANISED TWO DAYS TRAINING FOR SFS OFFICERS, 2022-24

ICFRE-RAIN FOREST RESEARCH INSTITUTE, JORHAT (ASSAM) successfully conducted two-day long introductory training at its campus during 13-14<sup>th</sup> February, 2023. The training was attended by 48 SFS officers from two states of India, namely Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh. At the onset trainees were welcomed by Dr. Manish k. Singh, Head SFM Division, of the institute and were briefed about the institute activities. Dr. Vishwanath Sharma, Sci. B introduced about the lectures and field activities to be covered during the training duration.

During the training lectures on various forestry topics were delivered by Scientist and Staff of the institute. During first session, a lecture on "Bamboo improvement work at RFRI" was delivered by Mohd. Ibrahim, Scientist-D of the institute, followed by "Hands on bamboo propagation techniques and bamboo nursery practices demonstrated by Mrs. E.D. Borah (CTO) and Sh. Debojit Neog (TO). Afternoon session started with presentation on "Wild mushrooms of northeast India" by Sh. Rajesh Kumar, Scientist-E followed by trainees briefed about Bamboo treatment, charcoal and Briquetting etc. by Dr. R.D. Barthakur (CTO) and the day ended with field visit to Botanical garden accompanied by Sh. Protul Hazarika, ACTO, of the institute.

On the second day, session starts with a lecture on "Basic concepts of seed technology" by Dr. Vishwanath Sharma, Scientist-B, followed by presentation on "Agarwood nursery, plantation and artificial inoculation technique by Sh. Satyam Bordoloi, Scientist-E and a field visit to agar plantation site. After that, a lecture on "Composting techniques" was delivered by Sh. R. Bhattacharya, ACTO. Nursery techniques for plantation were presented by Dr. Manish Kumar Singh, Scientist-E, during afternoon session followed by presentation on "Insect and pest problems of forest species and their management" by Dr. Prasun Karmakar, Scientist-B. After various lectures, field demonstrations of research activities were also given. At the end of each lecture group discussion were also held among participants and resource person.

Valedictory session was chaired by Dr. R.K. Borah, Director, RFRI and training ended with vote of thanks and a group photograph.

Dr. Manish Kumar Singh, Head, SFM Division, RFRI, Jorhat and Dr. Vishwanath Sharma (Sci. B) has thoroughly designed and accomplish the training programme.

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