

## **Brief report for Website**

### **Growing and Utilization of Bamboo**

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Bamboo has emerged as an important multiple-use plant both in forests and agricultural lands. Bamboo as a traded commodity has excellent potential to contribute to inclusive development, foreign trade balance as well as in building resilience in the context of climate change. As the domestic bamboo production area and the productivity have been on the decline, alternate strategies for augmentation of domestic bamboo production have been contemplated for sustainable development of Bamboo.

Keeping in view, Extension Division of Forest Research Institute, Dehradun organized a three days training programme on “Growing and Utilization of Bamboo” from 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 at village Dhulkot, under Demo Village, programme. Dr. A.K. Pandey, Head, Extension Division, FRI, Dehradun inaugurated the training programme on July 17, 2019 at village Dhulkot, Dehradun. In his inaugural address, he said that Bamboo is the species which is helpful in achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) including livelihood and employment generation. A broad spectrum knowledge on different aspects of bamboo cultivation, nursery and plantation techniques, environment friendly technologies for bamboo seasoning, manufacture of composite bamboo products, structural uses of bamboo was given to participants. Knowledge on insect pests and disease management was also provided to the trainees. Hands on training on various aspects of bamboo were also given to trainees. It is expected that deliberations and outputs from the training would be very useful for trainees and entrepreneurs. The training program was concluded on 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2019. In the closing ceremony, Shri Arun Singh Rawat, Director, FRI, Dehradun told that the training will certainly be beneficial for participants in many respects. All trainees were given certificates by the Director, FRI, Dehradun in valedictory session. He said that the program is over but even after this training anybody who wants to gain scientific knowledge on bamboo and related forestry issues can contact our institute at any time. Head, Extension Division added that scientific knowledge gained during the training should be disseminated to others for overall development of bamboo sector. 40 participants from North-East, Gujarat, West Bengal, Assam, Tripura and Uttarakhand including farmers, students, representatives of NGO's and SHG's participated in the training. The program was organized with active cooperation of CBED, Krishi Van Centre, Dhulkot, Dehradun. Dr. Charan Singh Scientist of Extension Division, FRI, Dehradun anchored the programme and Sh. Rambir Singh Scientist, Extension Division, FRI gave vote of thanks to the participants and others on this occasion. Shri Ajay Gulati, ACTO, Shri Vijay Kumar, ACF Extension Division, FRI, Dehradun were made effort to success of this training programme.







