

KISAN STUDY TOUR (KST) REPORT
Duration: 03-04-2018 to 08-04-2018

A group of 29 farmers have been sent for Kisan Study Tour (KST) to Govind Ballabh Pant University of Agriculture and Technology, Pantnagar (Uttarakhand) under the “Agroforestry Capacity Building Project of Bihar State”. The batch was fag off by the Honorable Deputy Chief Minister and Honorable Minister Department of Environment and Forest Shri Sushil Kumar Modi in a program held on 03/04/2018 at Aranya Bhawan, Patna. The group of farmers left Hajipur Railway station on 04/04/2018 in the presence of Shri Aditya Kumar, Officer-in-Charge, Forestry Research and Extension Centre, Patna Bihar and principal investigator of the project. Farmers reached Pantnagar in the morning of 05/05/2018. During the training farmers got exposure to different Agroforestry Systems adopted by the farmers in Uttarakhand and research and development in the field of agroforestry. The tour was aiming to show the success stories of the Agroforestry and its benefits as “seeing is believing”. During the visit apart from class room teaching farmers were taken to various farms and interacted with local farmers. The details of the visit are given below:-

S.N.	Items	Description
1.	Forest Division (Farmers selected)	: Bhagalpur, Begusarai, and Samastipur
2.	Districts of Bihar from which Farmers belong	: Bhagalpur, Begusarai and Samastipur
3.	Number of Participants	: 29 (Bhagalpur-18 Begusarai-05 Samastipur -06)
4.	Training Period	: 05/04/2018 to 07/04/2018 (3 Days)
5.	Training Institute	: GBPUA&T, PANTNAGAR
6.	Training Topics (topics on which classes organized)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Poplar based agroforestry systems and scientific method of planting and maintenance including management of diseases and insect pests.• Important tree species of agroforestry systems and their silvicultural practices.

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- Importance of improved clones and their breeding strategies: special reference to Eucalyptus and Poplar.
 - Important diseases and insect pests causing economic loss in agroforestry and their management practices.
 - Different Agroforestry systems and their economics.
 - Challenges in practicing agroforestry and its benefits.
 - Importance of Bamboo and bamboo based agroforestry systems.

7. Field Visits (Places)

- Visit to agroforestry research centre and agroforestry systems practiced there.
 - Agroforestry farm visit to show various clones of eucalyptus.
 - Field demonstration of different agroforestry systems.
 - Visit of century paper pulp industry in Lalkuan
 - Visit of green ply industry at Rudrapur)
 - CIMAP field visit and study of important medicinal plants.
 - Visit and interaction with local farmers adopting agroforestry and also visit of medicinal research station etc.
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PHOTOGRAPHS



Farmers departing from Bhagalpur Rly. Station



Plywood Industry Visit



Agroforestry Research centre Visit



Classroom Teaching



Transportation during field visit



Farmers at GBPUA&T, Pantnagar Campus



Medicinal plant Research and training centre Visit



Field Visit



Farmers Field Visit



Central Institute of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants (CIMAP), Pantnagar Visit



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