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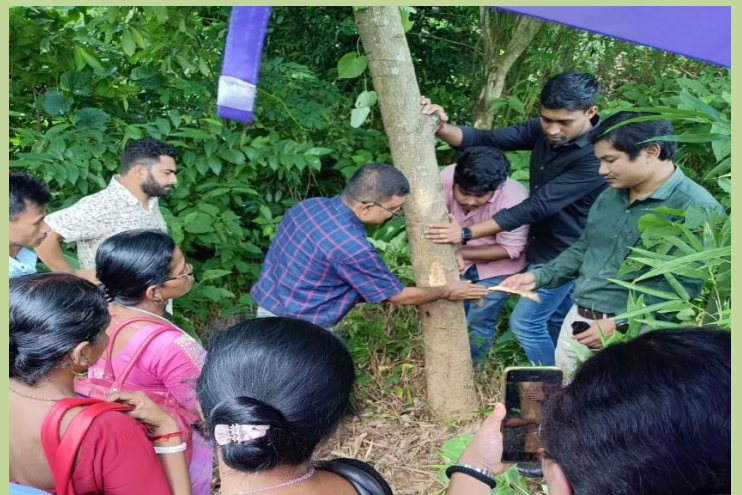
### Two Days' Training On Nursery Techniques and Scientific Debarking of *Litsea glutinosa* for JFMCs and Youths

A two days' training programme on "Nursery techniques and Scientific Debarking of *Litsea glutinosa* (Maida Lakri/ Maida Chaal) for JFMCs and Youths" was organized by ICFRE-Livelihood Extension Centre, Agartala for JFMC members, Women's Welfare Society and Youths of West Tripura Forest Division from 26<sup>th</sup> -27<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 in collaboration with Balipara Tract and Frontier Foundation, Guwahati, Assam. The training programme was inaugurated on the 26<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 in the presence of Sh. Tanuz Kalita, Communication Architect-Rural Futures, Balipara Foundation, Sh. Ajoy Debbarma, Scientist-B, ICFRE-LEC, Agartala, Dr. Prosanta Hazarika, Chief Technical Officer, ICFRE-RFRI, Jorhat, Assam and Sh. Niren Das, Chief Technical Officer, ICFRE-LEC, Agartala. The training programme started with a welcome address by Sh. Debbarma, followed by felicitation of the resource persons with *Risa*, opening remarks by Dr. Hazarika and Sh. Kalita and a vote of thanks by Sh. Das. A total of 25 participants took active part in the training programme. The trainees were taught about the different propagation techniques of *Litsea glutinosa*, sustainable harvesting of its bark and the process of making incense stick from its leaves. The theory session started with an overview of *Litsea Glutinosa* by Ms. Tiston Debbarma, Research Scholar, ICFRE-LEC, Agartala. Dr. Hazarika, in his technical session, taught about the socio-economic importance of *Litsea glutinosa* and various methods of sustainable debarking. He also emphasized on the application and trade of Litsea bark and leaf powder in the manufacture of incense stick and encouraged and motivated the trainees to actively participate and learn. Sh. Tanuz Kalita, Communication Architect-Rural Futures, Balipara Foundation, interacted with the trainees and stressed on the importance of livelihood generation through Litsea products. On the second day, Sh. Debbarma delivered a lecture on the nursery techniques of *Litsea glutinosa* and demonstrated the propagation of *Litsea glutinosa* through stem cuttings. Sustainable debarking of Litsea bark was also demonstrated by Dr. Hazarika. He also imparted hands-on practical session on hand-rolled incense sticks making using dried leaves of *Litsea glutinosa*. The two days' training programme concluded on the 27<sup>th</sup> August, 2024.

## PHOTOGRAPHS OF TRAINING PROGRAMME











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