The Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding observed two minutes silence on 30\textsuperscript{th} January, 2020 at 11 AM on the eve of Martyr’s day to pay homage in the memory of those who gave their lives in the struggle for India’s freedom and to observe the death anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. Dr. S. Murugesan, Director, IFGTB during his talk emphasized the duty and the moral obligation of every citizen of the country to preserve, protect and enrich the hard-earned freedom. Scientists, Officers, research and administrative staff members, and research scholars of the institute were present.