Training programme on "Bamboo Nursery and Management" Under BTSG-ICFRE funded by National Bamboo Mission, New Delhi from 2nd December – 7th December 2019

Training on Bamboo Nursery and Management was organized by Genetics and Tree Improvement Division, Tropical Forest Research Institute, Under BTSG-ICFRE funded by National Bamboo Mission, New Delhi from 2nd December – 7th December 2019. The programme was initiated by lighting the lamp by the Director, TFRI and other dignitaries. Dr. Fatima Shirin, Scientist-F and Training Coordinator briefed the trainees about the importance of bamboos, their propagation, various initiatives of Government and its role in employment generation. Dr. G. Rajeshwar Rao addressed the gathering, welcomed the trainees and asked the trainees to be completely involved and use the time to learn about diverse aspects of bamboo.

Trainees from diverse fields attended the training program. During this training different activities related to bamboo propagation, nursery raising and nursery management were covered. Propagation of bamboos was explained in detail with hands-on training for clonal propagation through culm cuttings, culm branch cuttings, offset planting and air layering. Raising seedlings through seeds was also taught. Mass multiplication of bamboos through tissue culture was also explained. Field tours were conducted to large scale plantations raised by progressive farmers and marketing possibilities of bamboo poles was explored. Bamboo nurseries and Agarbatti making unit was visited by the trainees. The government subsidies which could be availed by them through respective Bamboo Missions and NABARD were brought to their knowledge.

The valedictory function was held on 7th December 2019 under the chairmanship of Dr. G. Rajeshwar Rao, Director, TFRI, Jabalpur. In the feedback, the participants thanked TFRI for organizing such an excellent and diversified training course on Bamboo Nursery and Management. They especially appreciated the exposure visit to different places which provided them clear understanding to start entrepreneur for livelihood. The training was given wide media coverage and generated interest for future training programs on different aspects of bamboo.
Inauguration of Training on 2nd December 2019

Lectures during training programme
Activities during training programme

Field trip to Ranga plantation, Jabalpur

Field trip to Green Bamboo Nursery and Agarbatti making unit, Jabalpur
Valedictory programme
Media coverage