THREE DAYS SPECIALIZED TRAINING

Social Forestry in Rural Development and Poverty Alleviation

for

Bhavishya Educational and Charitable Society

(A West Bengal based NGO)

A three day specialized training on Social Forestry in Rural **Development and Poverty Alleviation** was conducted by CSFER, Allahabad from 24-26 February 2015 for trainees of *Bhavishya Educational and Charitable Society* (A West Bengal based NGO). Dr. Kumud Dubey, Director CSFER, Allahabad inaugurated the training and welcomed participants. In her inaugural address, she stated that India embarked upon a various social forestry projects with the aim of taking the pressure off currently existing forests by planting trees on all unused and degraded lands. Director, CSFER also presented completed and ongoing projects of CSFER to the trainees during the inaugural session. She also highlighted about reclamation of waterlogged sites through bio-drainage and specific species packages. During technical sessions, Scientists of the Centre, Dr. Anita Tomar, and Dr. Anubha Srivastav delivered specific lectures on Participatory Rural Appraisal, Nursery Technology, Plantation Techniques and Maintenance of Plantations, Urban Forestry, Choice of Species, Cultivation Practices of Important Forestry Species and Clonal Technology of Poplar and Eucalyptus. Sri Alok Pandey, SRF explained about Bamboo Propagation and its Management.

On second days, field visit to Research Centre Nursery at Padilla was arranged for trainees. Field demonstration and nursery technology of important forestry species was explained by Dr. Anita Tomar. Field trip to progressive farmer Shri B.D. Singh at Phoolpur in Allahabad was also organized for the trainees. Dr. S. D. Shukla briefed the participants at small scale industry

established by the farmer. Various forest products like Aonla & Bel murabba, health tonic from Sataver and various product pickles were also demonstrated by the farmer. The biogass plant, vermin-compost unit was also visited by the trainees. Sri B.D. Singh, a progressive farmer also illustrated the constituents to prepare a Jivanamrit (a biofertilizer) and its uses was highlighted.

During closing ceremony, the chief guest of the session was DFO, Allahabad, Sri Manoj Khare. Sri Khare motivated trainees about quality planting stock by taking up clonal plantation technology. A common interaction session was arranged for discussion on different issues of Social Forestry where trainees and Scientist of CSFER along with Chief Guest shared their views on various aspects related to Social Forestry and Bamboo Plantation. Queries were answered and doubts of trainees were cleared by experts.

Dr. Anita Tomar Scientist-D and Course coordinator offered the vote of thanks to all participants. Secretary of the NGO Mr. Parvez Ahmad Khan also offered vote of thanks on behalf of the NGO. The anchoring of the programme was done by Dr. Anubha Srivastava, Scientist-B and course coordinator. The trainees appreciated the training programme in their feedbacks. Sri Siyaram, Sri A. K. Srivastava, Vikram, Shadab, Praveen and Sandeep coordinated well for arrangement of the training.

Inaugural Session





Technical Sessions





Field Visit





Closing Session



