Five days training on Bamboo Raising, Managing and Marketing [8th – 12th September, 2014]

A five day training on "Raising, managing and marketing" of bamboo was inaugurated in the conference hall of Extension Division of the Forest Research Institute, Dehradun, here today. The training is being conducted under the sponsorship of Bamboo Technical support Group (BTSG)-Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE), Dehradun and financially support of National Bamboo Mission, New Delhi. The farmers of Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh are taking part in the training.

Shri Sandeep Kujur, Head Extension in his welcome address said that the bamboo is an important species and a main source of income of a poor man. He said that the farmers will certainly benefitted by this training and hopefully they will apply the technological know-how in bamboo farming.

Dr. Vimal Kothiyal, Assistant Director General (Research Planning), ICFRE expressed his views on this occasion. He gave brief account of the BTSG-ICFRE and quoted that a wide coverage of technical know-how is a need of this course and farmers should take more and more benefit of this training.

Smt. Jayshree Ardey, the officiating Director, FRI and Chief Guest of the session also addressed the participants and said a knowledge on bamboo farming and its utilization should be given in detail and they should also be given practical demonstration through field visits. She mentioned that exposure visit will motivate them to adopt the technologies and they can improve their livelihood.

Shri Umesh Kumar, Dy. Conservator of Forests offered the vote of thanks to all present in inauguration function of the training. Mastering of the programme was done by Dr. Charan Singh, Scientist-D, of Extension Division.

All Heads of the Divisions, FRI, resource persons, Shri Rambir Singh scientist and members of team of Extension Division of the institute were present in inauguration.

During technical sessions of the training interactive talks were made with trainees on following aspects:

- An Introduction to Bamboo
- Seed collection of Bamboo and its storage
- Nursery and planting techniques of Bamboo
- Seasoning of Bamboo
- Suitability of soil for bamboo plantation
- Preservation of Bamboo
- Vegetative propagation of Bamboo
- Bamboo farming under agroforestry
- Bamboo cultivation on wasteland & its uses
- Bamboo marketing and economics
- Diseases of bamboo and their management
- Utilization of Bamboo
- Insect pest of Bamboo and their Management
- Bamboo Handicrafts

Besides, a practical knowledge on bamboo propagation, harvesting, post harvesting treatment and other aspects was also given to the farmers during visit of FRI Central Nursery, Botany Division and Bamboo Common Facility Centre. The farmers also visited FRI Museums and Bambusetum during the training.

The training was concluded on 12th September, 2014 in the conference hall of Extension Division of the Forest Research Institute, Dehradun. There were 25 farmers of Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh attended this training.

In the closing ceremony, Dr. N. S. K. Harsh, Group Coordinator (Research), FRI was Chief Guest of the occasion. He expressed his views on the bamboo farming and its role in improvement of livelihood of rural society specially people associated with farming and crafting work of bamboo. He mentioned that the training will certainly be useful for all participants and they will be benefitted by the technologies given specially on bamboo farming and processing. Shri Sandeep Kujur IFS, Head Extension in his address gave remarks on the five days interaction with farmers. Farmers also expressed their views about the training and also showed their needs.

All the participants were given certificates by Dr. Harsh and Shri Kujur. Besides, seedlings of bamboo were also distributed to the trainees by the Chief Guest.

Shri Rambir Singh, Scientist-C offered the vote of thanks to all present in closing ceremony of the training. Mastering of the programme was done by Dr. Charan Singh, Scientist-D, of Extension Division.

All Heads of the Divisions, FRI, resource persons, Shri Umesh Kumar, DCF, Dr. Paramjeet Singh, Scientist-F and members of team of Extension Division of the institute were present in closing ceremony.

Glimpses of the Training



Welcome of officiating Director FRI & Chief Guest



Address by Shri Sandeep Kujur, Head Extension



Address by Chief Guest Smt. Jayshree Ardey, Officiating Director, FRI

Mastering of programme by Dr. Charan Singh



Vote of thanks in inaugural session by Shri Umesh Kumar, DCF Extension

Interaction with participant by Dr. Meena Bakshi





Interaction with participants by Dr. M. K. Gupta

Interaction with participants by Dr. Sadhna Tripathi



Address by Dr. NSK Harsh, Group Coordinator Research, FRI Interaction and vote of thanks by R.B. Singh



Certificate distribution



FRI faculty and participants together