

The Resource Survey & Management Division of Forest Research Institute, Dehradun organized one day Brain Storming Session on “Convergence of Forestry and Agriculture” in the Board Room of FRI Main Building. The chief guest Dr. J.S. Samra, Chief Executive Officer in National Rainfed Area Authority, New Delhi and Dr. V.K. Bahuguna, DG, ICFRE inaugurated the workshop

Substantial public investments are being made through various government schemes in the forestry and agriculture sector for strengthening of the rural economy and the livelihood base of the poor, especially the marginalized groups like SC/STs and women. To effectively address the issue of poverty alleviation, there is need to optimize efforts through inter-sectoral approaches. The convergence of different programmes of forestry and agriculture like, National Afforestation programme, watershed Programmes, National Horticulture Mission (NHM), National Food Security Mission, MNREGA etc., which will enable better planning and effective investments in rural areas. Convergence also brings synergy between different government programme/ schemes in term of planning, process and implementation of programmes/ Schemes.



The workshop was attended by Dr. S.S. Negi, Director, FRI, Dr. K.R. Dhiman, V.C. Dr. YSP University of Horticulture and Forestry, Solan, H.P., Dr. Dadhwal, Acting Director, CSWCR&TI, Dr. A.K. Vyas, IARI, New Delhi, Dr. Jayveer Tyagi, NIH, Roorkee, Dr. Rakesh Shah, UKFD attended the programme.