

**Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education, Dehradun**  
**Signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)**  
**With**  
**Botanical Survey of India, Kolkata**

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Through this collaboration, ICFRE and BSI will complement each other by sharing their scientific and technical expertise. This will help in identifying technological gaps, extension of forest based technologies, and exchange of resources for dissemination of information to stakeholders. This will also help to promote livelihood opportunities and augment income of the forest based communities.

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