Tropical Forest Research Institute, Jabalpur in collaboration with Institute of Forest Productivity, Ranchi has organised half day training-cum-workshop on ‘Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Forestry Plantations for the officials of Odisha State Forest Department’ on 21st April 2022. In welcome address, Dr. G Rajeshwar Rao, Director, TFRI discussed the importance of SOPs for forestry plantations and expressed hope that training program will be beneficial to the officials Odisha State Forest Department. Dr. Nitin Kulkarni, Director, IFP, Ranchi in his inaugural remarks appreciated the content of training programme. Dr. PC Dubey(Rtd. IFS), Former PCCF, MPSFD delivered talk on the topic ‘Recovery programme for RET trees through plantations’. Dr. Dubey also discussed the SOPs to be followed in nursery for raising quality planting stock. In second invited lecture, Dr. Ram Prasad (Rtd. IFS), Former PCCF & HoFF, MPSFD shared his experience on plantation forestry. Sh. Digvijaysinh, Scientist-B and Dr. Naseer Md, Scientist-D made a detailed presentation on
plantation techniques of 30 forestry species of Odisha. More than 150 forest officials of Odisha forest department participated in the training programme. Dr. A.K. Patnaik, CCF (Research and Development), Odisha state forest department expressed his gratitude to ICFRE, Dehradun for undertaking such programmes for their officials. At the end, Sh. Sanjeev Kumar, Scientist-E presented a formal vote of thanks. Programme was coordinated by Dr. Naseer Mohammad, Scientist-D and organizing secretary of this training.