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On this occasion, a book on 'Drivers of Deforestation in Meghalaya' was also released.

The inauguration of the new VVK was followed by a training programme on Biological Control of Invasive weeds in Meghalaya forests. The training was imparted by Dr. R K Borah, Senior Scientist of RFRI, Jorhat. Thirty Forest Frontline Functionaries participated in the programme.

Certificates were distributed to the participants at the valedictory session. Shri R. K. Kalita, Head, Extension Division, RFRI, Jorhat extended the vote of thanks.

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