

VISIT OF INDIAN FOREST SERVICE OFFICERS OF PROFESSIONAL SKILL UPGRADATION PROGRAMME

INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL FOREST ACADEMY (IGNFA), DEHRA DUN

A team of 36 inducted Indian Forest Service Officers of Indira Gandhi National Forest Academy (IGNFA), Dehradun visited Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding, Coimbatore on 10.12.2018 as part of South India tour for Professional Skill Upgradation Programme.

Shri. Rajesh Gopalan, IFS, Head, Extension, IFGTB welcomed all the participants and faculty member of IGNFA. Shri. S. Senthil Kumar, IFS, Head, SFM, IFGTB gave opening remarks and interacted with the trainees.

Dr. S. Murugesan, Group Coordinator Research (GCR), IFGTB delivered a special address. During his address, the GCR briefed about major achievements of IFGTB as well as highlighted the future goals to be achieved in the field of forestry research.

Shri. Rajesh Gopalan, IFS, Head, Extension, IFGTB made a presentation on the Institutes on-going programmes and major achievements. He also highlighted the overview on the research and extension activities of the institute and products, technologies developed by the institute and the services rendered to the stakeholders particularly the farmers. The participants had a detailed discussion on the productivity of natural forests, importance of clonal forestry and commercialization of bio products.

Later on, Dr. R. Yasodha, Scientist-G and Head, PBT, IFGTB gave an overview of "Clonal Propagation of important tree species". Later Dr. V.K.W. Bachpai, Scientist explained the activities carried out in Vegetative Multiplication Complex of IFGTB. All participants visited the facilities of IFGTB and interacted with the scientists of the institute.



Dr. S. Murugesan, Group Coordinator Research, IFGTB, interacting with Officers of Professional Skill Upgradation Programme



Shri. Rajesh Gopalan, IFS, Head Extension, Presenting activities of IFGTB to participants of Professional Skill Upgradation Programme