

**Advisory Committee Meeting of the  
ENVIS Centre on Forest Genetic Resources and Tree Improvement  
Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding  
Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, India**

The first advisory committee meeting of the ENVIS Centre on Forest Genetic Resources and Tree Improvement was held at IFGTB on 23.09.2015. Shri R.S. Prashanth, Director, IFGTB chaired the meeting. Dr B. Gurudev Singh, Group Coordinator (Research) was the Co-Chair. Shri I. Anwardeen, Conservator of Forests, Coimbatore Circle, Dr A. Balasubramanian, Professor, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Shri K. Devarajan President, Coimbatore District Herbal and Tree Growers Association and Shri Narayana Swamy Secretary, Coimbatore District Herbal and Tree Growers Association functioned as external experts. All Heads of Divisions of the Institute were internal members and Dr Kannan C.S. Warriar, Scientist E and Coordinator ENVIS functioned as the member secretary. At the outset, Shri R.S. Prashanth, Director, IFGTB welcomed the members of the advisory committee. He highlighted on the importance of the meeting. Dr Kannan C.S. Warriar, Coordinator ENVIS gave an introduction about the mandate of the ENVIS Centre and about its formulation. Dr V.N. Mutharaian, Programme Officer presented the activities carried out by the ENVIS Centre in detail. While appreciating the various activities carried out by the ENVIS centre, all the members provided valuable inputs for the road ahead. Detailed minutes were drawn based on their suggestions.





