# ICFRE-IFGTB Signs MoU with Sri Ramakrishna College of Arts and Science, Coimbatore to Promote Collaborative Forestry Research and Academic Exchange

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In a significant step towards fostering collaborative research, academic partnerships, and knowledge exchange, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between the ICFRE–Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding (IFGTB), Coimbatore, and Sri Ramakrishna College of Arts and Science (SRCAS), Coimbatore on 01.08.2025. The MoU establishes a framework for mutual cooperation in the fields of forestry research, biodiversity conservation, and skill development.

The MoU was signed and exchanged by Dr. R. Yasodha, Director, ICFRE–IFGTB, and Shri R. Sundar, Managing Trustee, SNR Sons Charitable Trust, Coimbatore, in the presence of Dr. B. Nagarajan, GCR, Dr. K. Ganesh Kumar, IFS, CCF, and Dr. N. Senthil Kumar from ICFRE–IFGTB, along with the Secretary and faculty members of SRCAS.

This strategic academic partnership will facilitate collaboration in the following areas:

- Joint research activities in forestry, biodiversity, and allied disciplines.
- Student internships, training programs, and hands-on learning opportunities in forest and environmental research.
- Exchange of scientific knowledge, technical expertise, and best practices.
- Organization of collaborative seminars, workshops, and capacity-building events.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. R. Yasodha, Director, ICFRE–IFGTB, emphasized the importance of involving academic institutions in cutting-edge research to foster a culture of innovation and interdisciplinary knowledge in forestry and conservation.

Shri R. Sundar, Managing Trustee, SRCAS, expressed his enthusiasm for the collaboration, highlighting its potential to enhance research exposure and skill development for both students and faculty members.

The event was successfully coordinated by Shri G.R. Madhavaraj, IFS, DCF, Shri P. Chandrasekaran, CTO, and Smt. R.G. Anithaa, TO from the Extension Division of ICFRE–IFGTB.

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