

TRAINING ON SEED BALL TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPED BY ICFRE

Conducted by

Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding, Coimbatore

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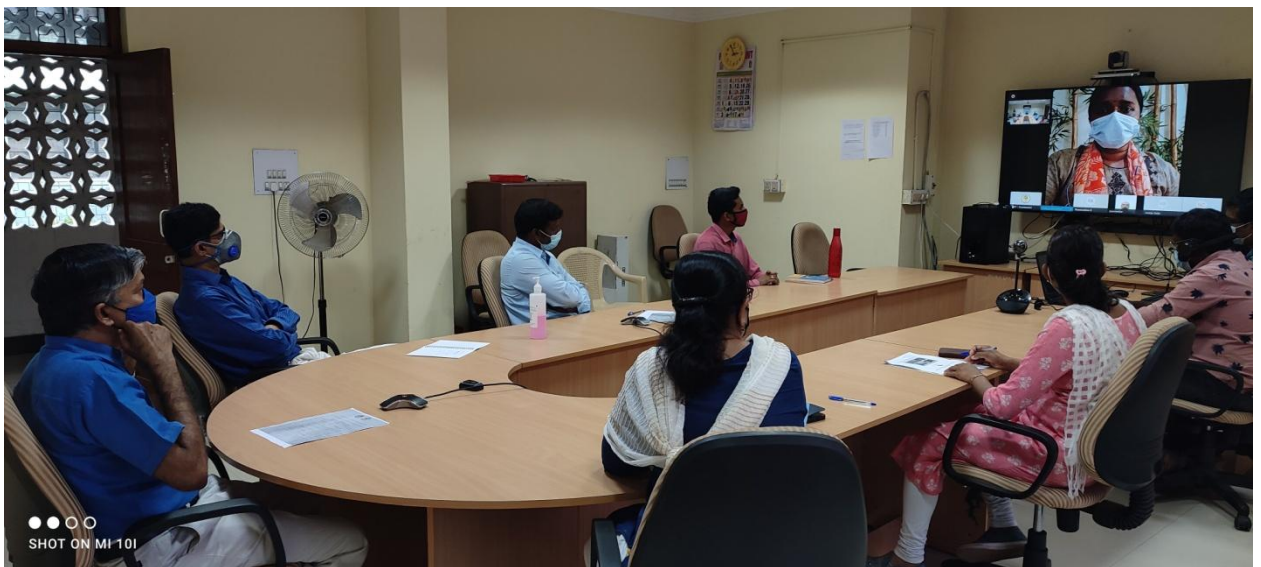
Training Report

The Training on Seed Ball Technology developed by ICFRE was conducted by the Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding in online mode on 22nd June 2021. The participants were State Forest Departments of Tamil Nadu and Kerala. The Training program started with Welcome address by Shri. S. Senthil Kumar, I.F.S., Group-Coordinator Research of IFGTB. The Nodal Officer for seed ball technology from Tamil Nadu Forest Department, Smt.C. Vidhya, I.F.S., Deputy Conservator of Forest, Forest Genetics, TNFD, Coimbatore introduced 12 trainees from TNFD in the rank of Forest Range Officers and Foresters. The Nodal Officer from Kerala, Shri.S.Jayasankar, Deputy Conservator of Forests, Research (North) Division, Kerala Forest Department, Thrissur introduced 5 trainees in the rank of FRO and Foresters from KFD. Shri.Naganathan, I.F.S., Chief Conservator of Forests (Research), TNFD was also present during the training. The Introductory remark about the training was given by Dr.C.Kunhikannan, Director, IFGTB, Coimbatore. Nodal officers of TNFD and KFD addressed the training participants. The Co-ordinator cum Nodal officer for Seed Ball Technology, Dr.R.Anandalakshmi, Scientist-F, IFGTB made an elaborate presentation on Seed ball technology, its practical application, preparation of the seed balls, laying of field trials and data recording of the seed ball trials. During the discussion session, Shri. Naganathan, CCF, gave his inputs to improve the implementation of seed ball field trial, especially on catch water pits, espacement for dibbling and choice of species for seed balls. He also emphasised to increase the fund allotment and timely release of funds for effective and timely implementation of the experiments in the right season. Participant Puviarasan, FRO from TNFD shared his experience on seed ball experiments carried out by the research wing of TNFD. Shri Jayasankar, KFD clarified his doubts about the seed ball field trial. The queries were clarified by Dr.Anandalakshmi, Nodal officer, IFGTB and Dr. A. Vijayaraghavan, Scientist-E, IFGTB. The training ended with Vote of thanks by Dr. A. Vijayaraghavan.

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Address by Shri.Jayasankar & Smt. C.Vidhya , Nodal officers for Seed Ball Technology from Kerala & Tamil Nadu



Shri. Puviarasan, FRO, Tamil Nadu Forest Department sharing his experience in seed balls

