

FIVE DAYS SPECIALIZED TRAINING
ON
AGROFORESTRY AND LAND MANAGEMENT
[9th to 13th December, 2013]

Forests are being a rich source of fuel, fodder and timber. But due to continuous exploitation they are now under heavy pressure. To minimize this pressure, agroforestry is a dire need of today. By planting the trees outside forest, the economy of farmers may be improved and ecological balance in nature may be established. Before application of an effective agroforestry on farmland, there is a requirement of awareness and technical knowhow.

Keeping in view, the Forest Research Institute (FRI), Dehradun conducted a 5 days specialized training from 9th - 13th December, 2013 on “**Agroforestry and Land management**” for the farmers of State of Bihar. The training was sponsored by the Bihar Forest Department is a part of Haryali Mission launched by Bihar Government to increase the forest cover of the State. The group of 46 farmers from different districts of Bihar state participated in the training.

Dr. P.P. Bhojvaid IFS, Director Forest research Institute (FRI). Dehradun inaugurated the training programme on 9th December, 2013. In his inaugural address he emphasized that there is a lot of scope of agroforestry in Bihar as the state is rich in basic resources required for agroforestry practices. He mentioned that if wood based industries like plywood factories established in the state, there will be opportunities of employment generation and farmers will get proper price of their agroforestry produce. He said that the agroforestry will be more beneficial, if products be made from its produce locally and market may be developed in those areas. He suggested that the matter regarding establishment of wood based industry in Bihar state should be taken up with Government of Bihar.

Shri Sandeep Kujur, Head, Extension Division presented the welcome address. While welcoming the participants and the dignitaries present, he said that the participants shall not only learn or improve their skills with our subject experts but they will gain new experience in the field of agroforestry. He also gave emphasis on promotion of agroforestry in Bihar State.

Lectures on various aspect on agroforestry were delivered by the subject specialist of FRI, Dehradun. During the training visit of FRI Museums, Central nursery, Laboratories was

arranged and a live demo on proliferation of bamboo was shown to farmers. A field visit of agroforestry rich areas of district Haridwar was also arranged for the trainees. The training was much appreciated by all the participants and concluded with the distribution of certificates to the participants.

In the closing ceremony, Dr. P. P. Bhojvaid, Director, FRI gave the emphasis on *in-situ* establishment of wood based industries in Bihar and said that this will create employment for rural youth and also be helpful to check the migration of rural community.

Heads of different Divisions of the institute and other scientists, Sh. Umesh Kumar, Dr. Charan Singh and Sh. Rambir Singh were also present on the occasion of inaugural and closing ceremony of the training.



Director addressing the trainees



Director, FRI and Head, Extension Division interacting with participants



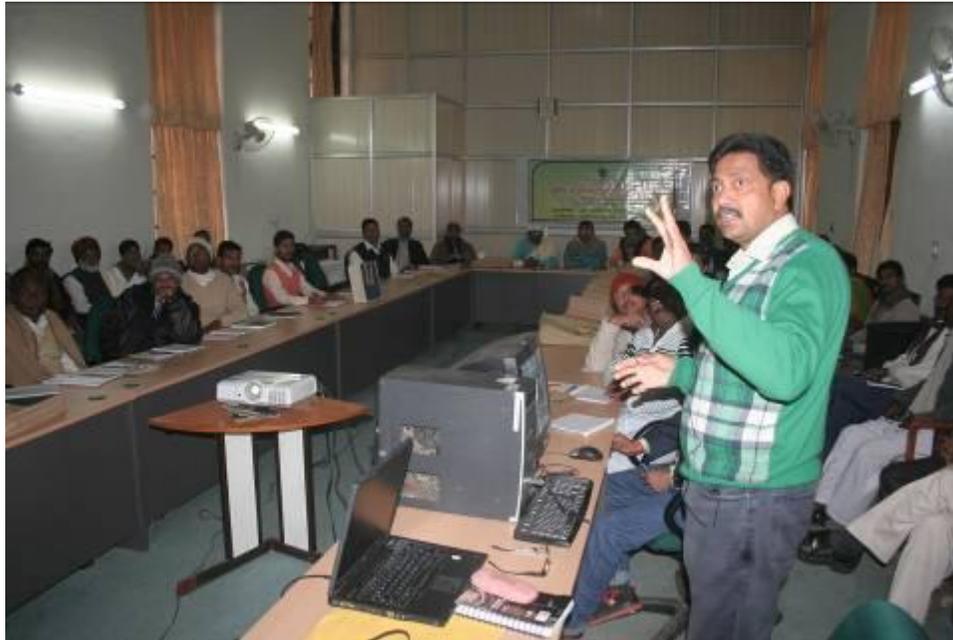
DCF, Extension anchoring the inaugural session



Scientist interacting with farmers



Trainees during a lecture



Scientist interacting the farmers



Farmers visiting Pathology laboratory of FRI



Scientist on talk with participants on Agroforestry Systems



Farmers in field



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Distribution of certificate to participant by the Director, FRI



Distribution of certificate to farmer by Head, Extension Division



Faculty members and participants altogether