

# **Short term interactive course on Community base Natural Resources Management**

**[21<sup>st</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2014]**

The management of natural resources in our country is an urgent need of today. The Government is making every possible effort through various projects and programmes. People Participatory Projects are also being conducted by the Government so that an active participation of people may be made possible in management of our valuable natural resources. The Emmanuel Hospital Association, New Delhi is also associated with the activities of natural resource management. This association is working on awareness for its field functionaries in the field of natural resource management and sustainable conservation.

In this relation, Forest Research Institute, Dehradun conducted five days interactive course from 21<sup>st</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> July on “Community base Natural Resource Management”. The course was conducted for field functionaries of Landour Community Hospital, Mussoorie (Uttarakhand) under sponsorship of Emmanuel Hospital Association, New Delhi. Dr. P.P. Bhojvaid, Director, Forest Research Institute Dehradun inaugurated the course on 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2014. In his inaugural address, he quoted that there is an urgent need to conserve and manage the natural resources on sustainable basis for our future generation. He said that the conservation of natural resources is only possible with the participation of people of all sectors. He mentioned that this course will certainly be beneficial for the trainees and will act as an effective tool to make the people aware about natural resources. The participants can play an important role in conservation of natural resources. Shri Sandeep Kujur, Head Extension Division, FRI also expressed his views on importance of natural resources and their conservation through people’s participation.

During this interactive course, knowledge between subject specialists and participants was shared on following aspects:

- Understanding Natural resources and their importance

- Role of Community in Natural resources Management
- Agroforestry Practices for income generation and livelihood
- Plantation technique and maintenance of agroforestry species relevant to Uttarakhand State
- Productivity enhancement through clonal technique for important tree species: A basic concept for field level managers
- Cultivation technique for mushroom and its economics
- Vermi-composting and its importance
- Importance of soil for sustainable production
- Watershed management approaches for sustainable development
- Nursery technology for important tree species
- Vegetative improvement in quality of important tree species including bamboo
- Bee keeping and its importance in income generation
- Cultivation techniques of medicinal plants and its economics relevant to Uttarakhand State

The participants also visited FRI museums and Farm of soil and water conservation at Shelaqui working under Central Soil and Water Conservation Research and training Institute, Dehradun where they interacted with Farm Manager on watershed management techniques through displays. The course completed on 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2014.

On the occasion of closing ceremony, Dr. P.P. Bhojvaid, Director, Forest Research Institute Dehradun expressed his views. He said that the trainees after getting this interactive course will certainly be benefitted and work for management and sustainable conservation of natural resources for the welfare of society and security for future generations. Shri Sandeep Kujur, Head, Extension Division offered thanks to all for their presence on this occasion. He said this interactive course will certainly be benefitted for all the participants and they will contribute in the field of management of natural resources.

The trainees gave their feedback and expressed their experience of the interactive course.

## Glimpses of the event



Director, FRI and Head, Extension Division on interaction with trainees



**Mastering of inaugural programme**



**Vote of thanks during inaugural programme**



**Subject specialists at interaction with trainees**



**Trainees on interaction**



**Farm visit**



**Visit at Central Nursery, FRI**



**Director, FRI and Head, Extension in closing ceremony**



**Certificate distribution**



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**Trainees and FRI Faculty members**