

A training on “Cultivation, Utilization, marketing problems and solution” was conducted at Forest Training Institute, Haldwani (Uttarakhand) on 13th – 15th March 2012 under extension activities of Van Vigyan Kendra. The said training conducted for the dissemination of knowledge on medicinal plants and to motivate the frontline staff of State Forest Department, Uttarakhand. During the training, technical know-how on the medicinal plants, their cultivation, utilization and marketing was given. A knowledge on use of medicinal plants in day to day life, was imparted to the trainees. Plants like *Aloe vera* (Ghrirkumari), *Asparagus recemosus* (Satavar), *Plumbago zeylanica* (Chitrak), *Emblica officinalis* (Aonla), *Terminalia chebula* (Harad), *T. belerica* (Bahera), *Nyctanthes arbotristis* (Harsingar), *Abroma augusta* (Ulat Kambal), *Ocimum sanctum* (Tulsi), *Stevia sp.* (Madhupatri) *Rauwolfia serpentina* (Sarpghandha), *Withania somnifera* (Ashwagandha), etc were described in context of their medicinal use and cultivation technique. A field trip of Central Institute of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants (CIMAP) was also made to acquire a knowledge by Visual & Learn method in the field.



Starting of inaugural session



Inaugural address by Mrs. Jayshree Ardey Chauhan, Head, Extension, FRI



Subject experts and trainees



Discussion with trainees



Trainees during discussion



Lecture by resource person from WIMCO PVT. LTD. Rudrapur



Lecture by subject expert from Extension Division, FRI, Dehradun



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Trainees on field tour



Director, Forest Training Institute on talk with trainees



Valedictory session



Certificate distribution



Faculty and trainees together