## Awareness programme on value addition and utilization of bamboo by Forest Research Institute, Dehradun

A two days "Awareness programme on value addition and utilization of bamboo for low **income group families"** is organized by Wood Preservation Discipline, Forest Products Division, Forest Research Institute, Dehradun in the Extension Hall of Forest Research Institute Building from 11.10.2011 to 12.10.2011, it was inaugurated by Dr. S.S. Negi, Director, Forest Research Institute, Derhadun on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2011. On this occasion chief guest has expressed his views about the transfer of technology from lab to land. He said that through this awareness programme farmers, self help groups, villagers, daily wage workers etc. will be able to learn about proper utilization of bamboo. He also expressed his views about the generation of livelihood opportunities for different end user groups. About 40 participants from various sections i.e. from Kullu Pani, Nanda Ke Chowki, Dehradun and nearby areas are participating in the programme. The training is to create awareness for value addition and appropriate utilization of bamboo. This training is inclined more towards practical demonstrations for skill development. Dr. Sadhna Tripathi and Sh. Ajmal Samani, Scientist have elaborated that trainees will learn about preservative treatments of bamboo, hut making, thatch treatment with preservative and fire retardant. The trainees will also learn about preparation of bamboo boards, seasoning of bamboo, bamboo finishing and preparation of various articles. Dr. Kishan Kumar, Sh. Nirmal Upreti, Sh. D.P. Khali, Sh. Rajesh Bhandari, Dr. Y.M. Dubey and Sh. J.P. Singh were present in the inaugural function.







