

A Report on Training Programme on “Application of technological and research interventions for enhancing forest productivity”

held at Leh, Laddakh (J&K) on dated 08th July, 2013

Himalayan Forest Research Institute, Shimla under VVK (J&K) organized one day training programme on “**Application of technological and research interventions for enhancing forest productivity**” for various stakeholders held at Leh, Laddakh (J&K) on dated 08th July, 2013

Dr. V.R.R Singh, IFS Director HFRI, Shimla, inaugurated the training programme. In his inaugural address he welcomed all the participants and explained about the importance of organizing such training programme for various stakeholders. He further highlighted the Institute's initiatives in the state of Jammu & Kashmir. He hoped that the technologies developed by the Institute will definitely help in enhancing the forest productivity which will ultimately help in conservation of sensitive and fragile ecology of leh, Laddakh.

Sh. Ali Akbar, BDO, Chuchot panchyat was the guest of honour during this programme and appreciated HFRI's effort for organizing such training programmes for the benefit of various stakeholders. He further urged that in future too specific training on cultivation of medicinal plants may be imparted to farming communities so that they may earn extra income besides conservation of high valued medicinal plants.

Sh. Jagdish Singh, Scientist-E briefed about the day's events and subsequently made a presentation, highlighting the Institutional activities. He also delivered a lecture on Identification and utilization of important medicinal plants of cold deserts, Intercropping of Medicinal Plants for Augmenting Income of Rural People, Cultivation of Aromatic plants; harvesting and processing of medicinal plants etc. Dr. Sandeep Sharma, Scientist-F, delivered a lecture on Modern Trends in Nursery Management, Prospects of Commercial Cultivation of Medicinal Plants in Himalayan Region, Containerized nursery technique of Conifers and important cold desert species and vermicomposting etc.

Dr. Pawan Rana, Scientist-C talked about the Role of Insect-Pests and diseases in forestry system with special reference to Salix insects.

During the plenary session of the training, all the experts freely interacted with the participants. The relevant queries of the participants were duly addressed through expert opinion

In the end, a special Vote of Thanks was extended by Sh. Jagdish Singh, HFRI, Shimla.



Welcoming the guest of honour Sh. Ali Akbar, BDO, Chuchot panchyat, Choglamsar, Leh



Glimpses of participants during training programme



Address by Guest of Honour



Glimpses of resource persons while delivering lectures



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