

Visit of Hon'ble Chief Minister of Assam Sri Tarun Gogoi to IWST Bangalore

Hon'ble Chief Minister of Assam, Sri Tarun Gogoi visited Institute of Wood Science and Technology on 1st June 2012. Director of the Institute Shri S.C. Joshi welcomed him and made a presentation on various activities of the Institute and explained about the vision and mission of the Institute. Shri Joshi emphasized the need for greater use of wood in the present scenario of global warming and climate change. He elaborated on the advantages of use of wood over the traditional use of plastic, glass, brick, aluminium and steel. It was emphasized by Mr. Joshi that use of wood is much more energy efficient than the above construction materials. Wood is also a long term store house of carbon which is a major element for global warming. He suggested that use of wood is of prime importance as it is least energy consuming and carbon friendly. Sri Tarun Gogoi, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Assam, addressed the officers of IWST and emphasized the need for technologies to build a "GREEN ECONOMY". He appreciated the work done by scientists of the Institute and stressed for greater collaboration with North Eastern States. He mooted the idea of a joint venture in dissemination of technologies related to chemical modification of wood, preservative treatment for bamboo and application of wood polymer composites. He suggested the scientists of the Institute to develop technologies which would assure effect utilization of wood and help in building a green economy.

He later on visited various labs and interacted with the scientists on the work carried out by them. Hon'ble Chief Minister also visited Advanced Wood Working Training Centre and interacted with the trainers regarding the training offered and working of advanced machines.



Welcome to the Hon'ble Chief Minister by Director, IWST



Dr. Ajay Karmarkar, Scientist explaining the process of production of wood polymer composites



Hon'ble Chief Minister inspecting a pen made of Wood Polymer Composites



Mr. S.C. Joshi Director explaining the process of bamboo treatment to the Hon'ble Chief Minister



Hon'ble Chief Minister interacting with Director, IWST regarding future collaboration at AWTC



Director, IWST explaining varieties of wood and spurious material available in the market under various trade names



Dr. S.R. Shukla, Scientist explaining the process of timber testing by Universal Testing Machine



Shri. S.C. Joshi showing the Hon'ble Chief Minister door frame made of alternative plantation timber