

Extension Activities of IWST, Bangalore, for the month of June 2014

1. A One week training was organized for the probationary range officers of Chamarajanagar division of Karnataka Forest Department from 9th – 13th June 2014. The probationary officers were exposed to important aspects of wood and wood research in the institute. The topics on which training was given includes Introduction and overview of wood properties and field identification of important tree species, Recent trends in Wood processing, Pest and disease management of important tree species from nursery to plantation stage, Gender identification of economically important forestry species, Detection of adulterants and determining purity of sandal oil, Raising of quality seedlings of Sandalwood and Bamboo in nursery and establishment of plantations and Visit to the Museum, Wood Energy lab and AWTC (Advanced Wood Working and Training Centre).
2. Four day training was organized from 16.6.2014 to 19.6.2014 by Advanced Wood Working and Training Centre for 42 students from the college of forestry, Ponnampet, Karnataka. The training was conducted in four modules. The first was a basic module on wood seasoning and preservation, working of wood with hand tools, types of joints using hand tools etc. The second module was on portable power tools and use of classical machines and the third module was on working with advance machineries.
3. Training conducted by Wood Properties and Engineered Wood Division of IWST, Bangalore, for Karnataka State Range Forest Officers on “Wood Identification and Strength Properties” from 23rd - 27th June 2014.
4. 29 B.Sc Forestry students from College of Forestry, Kerala Agriculture University (KAU), Trishoor District visited the Institute on 6th June 2014. The extension in charge, Shri. Ritesh David Ram explained about the general research activities of the institute which was followed by a visit to the labs, nursery and the wood museum.
5. 94 students of X STD from SJR Public School visited the Institute on an Educational Trip on 25th June 2014. They were exposed to the importance of wood and the various research activities of the institute through lab visits, AWTC and museum and were exposed to the concept of wood is good.

6. In pursuance of the Official Language Policy of the Union, the Official Language Orientation Programme for Scientists and Officers of this Institute was organized on 30/06/2014. Smt Dr. Vijaya Thilagam, Hindi Officer, Indian Institute of Science Bangalore delivered a lecture on the importance of encouraging the use Hindi in day to day functioning of the institute.





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