

Visit of Students under Assam Chief Minister's Gyanjyoti Programme

Gyanjyoti is the Assam Chief Minister's flagship programme initiated in the year 2004. This is the tenth year of this Programme. Under this Programme, Govt. of Assam provides all facilities to the school students to visit historically and geographically important places including industrial towns and important educational and research Institutions of Assam. Hundreds of students from Class VIII to X are being selected from Government/ provincialized schools of Assam to impart knowledge and encouragement.

Like last couple years, RFRI, Jorhat also finds place in the itinerary of the Programme which was conducted on 23rd to 25th October, 2013. A total of nine hundred students along from nine different districts viz. Nagaon, Morigaon, Kamrup (Metro), Kamrup (Rural), Sonitpur, Golaghat, Tinisukia, Dibrugarh and Sivasagar visited RFRI.

Shri R. K. Kalita, Scientist 'D' and Head, Forestry Extension Division briefed the students about RFRI including its mandates, research priorities, infrastructures, research facilities and other developmental. Emphasis was also given on the important role of bamboo on socioeconomic development of rural area and present demand of bamboo as raw material in the world market.

The students visited the botanical garden, medicinal plants garden, orchidarium, bambusetum & bamboo composite center. They were amazing to see the endangered and endemic orchids. The students experienced different species of rattans and bamboos conserved by RFRI in its canetum and bambusetum respectively. The students visited the bamboo nursery. They were also explained about recent techniques of bamboo propagation and nursery management practices. Students visited bamboo composite centre where they experienced live demonstration of manufacturing of various bamboo handicrafts by a group of artisans of on-going training programme.

Following officials were actively involved in the successful completion of the programme: Dr. T. C. Bhuyan, Dr. D. Dutta, Dr. Papor P. Borpuzari, Dr. Nizara Dutta, Dr. Prosanta Hazarika, Sri Protul Hazarika, Sri Debojit Neog, Sri Kumud Bora, Sri Niren Das, Dr. Kuntala N. Baruah, Mrs. R. Khanikar and Sri Nilabh Chandra Das. Entire programme was coordinated by Sri R. K. Kalita, Head, Forestry Extension Division.











