

## **A Report on the Farmers' Mela under Networking of VVK with KVK, held on 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2016 organized by KVK, Ghatkhed, Amravati (Maharashtra)**

Tropical Forest Research Institute, Jabalpur (M.P.) participated in the one-day training cum demonstration programme on 'Shetkari Melawa' organized by Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Ghatkhed, Amravati (Maharashtra) on 19.02.2016 under joint venture and networking programme of Van Vigyan Kendra (VVK, TFRI, ICFRE) and Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK, ICAR). About 363 participants of 35 villages of 7 blocks of Amravati district including progressive farmers of Amravati participated in the programme. The programme was graced by the number of dignitaries like Dr. S.R. Sardar, Joint Director of Agriculture, Amravati Division, Principal, College of Food Processing technology, Amravati, Principal, Collage of Agriculture, Dr. Kalaskar, Co-ordinator of KVK, Amravati, Professors of the colleges.

Under the networking programme coordinated by the Extension Division of TFRI, Dr. Nanita Berry, Scientist-E, Agroforestry Division and Dr. Mamta Purohit, Research Officer, Forest Extension Division, attended the programme and represented Tropical Forest Research Institute.

Dr. Nanita Berry, Scientist 'E' of TFRI, while speaking on behalf of TFRI advocated to grow more trees for conservation and ecological amelioration of the areas. While emphasizing the importance of Agroforestry and diversification of land use for the sustainable production of crop, she also suggested the site specific tree species and various models of Agrforestry suitable for the region.

Dr. Mamta Purohit, Research Officer, Extension division of TFRI, highlighted the activities of the Institute and presented extension materials during the session. The extension materials published by Tropical Forest Research Institute, Jabalpur in Marathi covering various aspects of forestry were also distributed to all the participants and their related queries were answered.

## Training At A Glance

