

Organization of Van Mahotsav programme by HFRI, Shimla (H.P.)

@HFRI, Shimla @ICFRE, India #AzadiKaAmritMahotsav under theme 'Plantation programme by involving different stakeholders', organized Van Mahotsav by involving local communities of Tutikandi; Officers and frontline staff of HPSFD; Scientists, Officers, Staff and Research staff of HFRI and School Children of Shimla, H.P., on 03rd August 2022. At the outset, Dr. Jagdish Singh, Scientist-F and Head Extension Division, welcomed the Chief Guest and all other participants and highlighted the importance of Van Mahotsav. The program was inaugurated by Shri Som Dutt Sharma, IFS, Chief Conservator, Shimla by planting a seedling of Kafal. He said that environmental protection is very important for humankind sustenance. Dr. Sandeep Sharma, Director In-charge of the institute created environmental awareness amongst the participants and told that mixed forest plantation will help in reducing possibility of fire in the Chirpine forests. On this occasion about 180 seedlings of different forestry species were planted. Sh. Jai Chand Thakur, Ward Member of Tutikandi, thanked HFRI, Shimla and Forest Department of Himachal Pradesh for carrying out plantation on their area and assured full cooperation in protecting the plantation. He further urged that this kind of noble program may be organized in their region from time to time. Sh Dinesh Pal DCF, HFRI, Shimla, extended formal vote of thanks.