

COMMEMORATION OF AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV

Chemistry and Bioprospecting Division, FRI, Dehradun

International Conference on “Advances in Chemistry and Biology of Carbohydrates’ (CARBO XXXV)

In commemoration of 75th year of Indian Independence (*Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav*), Chemistry and Bioprospecting Division, Forest Research Institute (FRI), Dehradun and Association of Carbohydrate Chemists and Technologists, India (ACCTI) jointly organized an *International Conference on “Advances in Chemistry and Biology of Carbohydrates”* (CARBO XXXV) in virtual mode on 4th to 5th December 2021. More than 250 participants including scientists from India and abroad including leading research and academic organization from India like CSIR, IIT, ICAR, IISER, FRI, and Universities and from overseas viz., USA, Germany, UK, The Netherlands, and Portugal were participated in the Conference. The conference was inaugurated today by the Chief Guest Shri, A.S. Rawat, Director General, Indian Council of Forestry Research & Education, Dehradun. Addressing the theme of the Conference, he emphasized the role of carbohydrates in various facets of life including food and medicine and their industrial importance. Shri Rawat also stressed upon developing new technologies for value added utilization of weeds, so as to protect the forest and generate source of livelihood for the people. On this occasion, the ‘Abstract Book’ of the Conference was also released by the Chief Guest. The inaugural session was ended with the vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Y.C. Tripathi, Head, Chemistry and Bioprospecting Division, FRI.

The Conference was comprised of altogether 5 technical sessions 12 invited lectures by the esteemed speakers from India, USA, UK, Germany, The Netherlands and Portugal. In addition there were 5 short lectures, 14 oral presentations and 88 poster presentations spread across the five technical sessions. Afterwards the Valedictory Session was conducted which was chaired by Prof. Naveen Khare, President, ACCT(I). The session involved feedback of some of the participants, remarks of ACCTI and finally valedictory speech by the chairman in which he made his comments on the whole conference proceedings and appreciated the endeavors of the organizers. The Conference ended with the vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Vineet Kumar, Organizing secretary of the conference.



