



“ Skill Development Training on Jigat Production and Agarbatti Making”



A two days training programme was held on “Jigat Production and Agarbatti Making” under the project ‘Improving the traditional homestead to a viable agroforestry system for biodiversity conservation and inclusive growth of Khampti tribes of Namsai District, Arunachal Pradesh’ funded by NMHS in the community Halls of Piyong and Pathar Gaon, Namsai on 16th and 17th June 2022 respectively.

A total of 46 number of trainees from Piyong circle and Pathar Gaon and Lathao villages of Namsai district took part in training. Of which, 26 trainees took part in the training programme held at Pathar Gaon and 20 took part at Piyong. The organizers of the training programme were Dr. Prosanta Hazarika, Dr. Kuntala Neog Barua, Shri Mayur Suman and Shri Priyanku Bhuyan. Dr. Prosanta Hazarika, Principal Investigator of the project briefed on the objectives. Thereafter, Dr. Kuntala Neog Barua, Co-PI of the project presented her talk about the project activities that have been carried out for the benefits the Khampti people of the district Namsai. Her speech was followed by the Power Point presentation of Dr. Prosanta Hazarika on “Jigat Production and Agarbatti making’ for livelihood, self employment and entrepreneurship development. In his presentation Dr. Hazarika described in detail on the methodologies of Jigat production from different plant parts of 25 plant species locally available in Namsai district, Arunachal Pradesh. Apart from Jigat production he also described the process of making bamboo sticks; making of charcoal powder from waste wood and bamboo for agarbatti production. He also illustrated use of indigenous herbal source as fragrance materials for Agarbatti. In the ppt he also showed the tools and machineries required for setting up a small Agarbatti unit. After that the technology of making hand rolled agarbatti and machine made agarbatti was described.

In the 2nd session of both the days there was a hands-on training for ‘Jigat production and agarbatti making’. Dr. Prosanta Hazarika demonstrated practically the process of making Jigat, Charcoal powder, round bamboo sticks from locally available bio-resources. During the training special emphasis was given on making of masala with powder mixture of Jigat, charcoal and saw dust with their different ratio and hand rolled agarbattis to the trainees. The trainees were given to do practically to roll the filler material (Masala/jigat-charcoal paste) on to bamboo sticks to obtain agarbatti. During the training drying of agarbattis, application of fragrance and packaging were also taught. The trainees showed keen interest in the agarbatti making process and were eager to start the agarbatti business with the help of RFRI technology and finance from the local government. The certificates were distributed to the trainees by Dr. Prosanta Hazarika and Dr. Kuntala Neog Barua after completion of the training.

The training programme was collaborating by Pali Vidyapith Society, Chownkhangam Namsai district



Dr P. Hazarika presented on 'Jigat Production and Agarbatti making'



A part of trainees in Piyong Circle, Namsai



Dr. K. N. Barua, briefing on project activities



Dr. P. Hazarika demonstrated on masala making for Agarbatti



Dr. P. Hazarika gave a practical demonstration on hand rolled agarbatti making in Piyang



Dr. P. Hazarika demonstrated on agarbatti making



A moment of making hand rolled agarbatti at Piyong by the trainees



Distribution of Certificate to a trainee Piyong



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Distribution of crtficate a trainee at Piyong



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Dr P. Hazarika presented his lecture at Pathar Gaon, Namsai on 17th June, 2022



Group photo of trainees of Piyong circle, Namsai along with resource persons



Dr. K.N. Baruah addressed to the trainees at Pathar Gaon



Dr. P. Hazarika demonstrated on jigat production for agarbatti making



Dr. P. Hazarika demonstrated on agarbatti making at Pathar Gaon



Dr. P. Hazarika demonstrated on agarbatti making at Pathar Gaon



Dr. P. Hazarika demonstrated agarbatti making



Trainees making agarbatti at Pathar Gaon



Distribution of Mushroom seeds at Piyong



Distribution of certificate to an entrepreneur



A part of trainees in Pathar Gaon, Namsai Circle



Group photo of trainees of Pathar Gaon circle, Namsai along with resource persons