



Training Report On



“Floriculture and Plantation Management of Fruits plant in Agroforestry Homegarden” -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’

Venue: Mannow, Namsai, Arunachal Pradesh

Date: 10/03/2023 and 11/03/2023

ICFRE- Rain Forest Research Institute, Jorhat, Assam held a training cum skill development programme on “Floriculture and Plantation Management of Fruits plant in Agroforestry Homegarden” during 10th and 11th of March, 2023 at Mannow Village, Namsai, Arunachal Pradesh. A total of thirty-eight (38) trainees from different Khampti villages of Namsai district, viz. Lathao village, Pathar Gaon, Piyong, Wingko, Manhofai and Jona III took part in a two-days training programme. The training programme was organized under the project titled “Improving the traditional homestead to a viable agroforestry system for biodiversity conservation and inclusive growth of Khampti tribe of Namsai District, Arunachal Pradesh” funded by National Mission on Himalayan Studies (NMHS). Dr Prosanta Hazarika, Principal Investigator of the project briefed on the training purposes in his welcome address at the very beginning of the training programme. He spoke about the impact this project carried out by Rain Forest Research Institute Jorhat funded by National Mission on Himalayan Studies (NMHS) in Namsai district and how it benefitted the local communities in the area particularly on the biodiversity and livelihood of the Khampti people. He highlighted about the different training workshops organized in Namsai and other places for empowering the Khampti tribe while focusing the importance of improved agricultural practices for better income of the people and the benefits of this training programme. The inaugural speech was followed by the felicitation of the resource persons, Prof. (Dr.) Sailen Gogoi, Department of Horticulture, Assam Agriculture University, Jorhat and Prof. (Dr.) Preeti Hatibarua, Department of Horticulture, Assam Agriculture University, Jorhat. It was followed by release of RFRI Report 20 was done entitled ‘Substitute Jigat for Agarbatti Industry’ by Prof (Dr). Sailen Gogoi, Prof. (Dr.) Preeti Hatibarua, Department of Horticulture, Assam Agriculture University, Jorhat. Chow Muthuwom Manchey and Chow Peng Mounklang, the agroforestry demo plot owners were also took part in the event.

The training session Prof. (Dr.) Preeti Hatibarua delivered a lecture on ‘Prospect of Floriculture for Self-employment and success stories for entrepreneurs’ followed by a demonstration on floriculture. Prof. (Dr.) Hatibarua explained about the different types floriculture methods of the flower species commonly used for the commercial use such as decorations, religious functions and ornamental plants. She presented her lecture on large scale farming of different economically important flower plants and the fertilizers and pest management for fast growth and maximum yield. She also projected successful stories of several man and women from North Eastern region of India to encourage the trainees for choosing floriculture as agribusiness for self employment .

After lunch the technical session commenced titled 'Floriculture and Nursery development, crop management, processing and marketing'. She gave hands on training on propagation of flowering plants and different nursery techniques. She also focused on marketing of these flowers for a good income among the Khampti community.

The day two of the training programme on 11th March 2023 was started with technical session on 'Plantation management of fruits plant in agroforestry home garden' presented by Prof. (Dr.) Sailen Gogoi, Prof Horticulture Department, AAU, Jorhat. He delivered a detailed and elaborated lecture on the importance of fruit plants having in the homestead gardens of every Khampti family. He emphasized on the importance of having a good physical health and how the fruits help in maintaining it. He provided a list of fruit plants which the people are grown in their home gardens with minimum maintenance. He was impressed by the availability of a wide variety of fruit plants in the homesteads of Namsai and acknowledged the awareness among the people regarding this matter. After lunch, in the next technical session was held on 'Value addition of home garden fruits and market linkages'. Dr. Sailen Gogoi described to the trainees about the importance and methods for value addition and making for earning good profit out of the fruits grown in their homesteads. An interactive session was also held where the trainees shared their problems related to plantation management with the resource person. After that the Dr. Prosanta Hazarika, Shri Protul Hazarika, Dr. Sailen Gogoi and Dr. Preeti Hatibarua distributed the certificates to the trainees. The training programme concluded with a vote of thanks offered by Shri Mayur Suman and clicking of a group photo with the trainees.



Dr. Prosanta Hazarika delivering the inaugural speech



Felicitation of resource person Prof. (Dr.) Sailen Gogoi



Felicitation of resource person Prof. (Dr.) Preeti Hatibaruah



Snapshots from the training workshop



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Release of RFRI Report on “Substitute Jigat for agarbatti industry” by the resource persons and guests



Prof. (Dr.) Preeti Hatibaruah addressing the trainees



Prof. (Dr.) Sailen Gogoi addressing the trainees



Snapshots of trainees attending the lectures



Snapshots of training and technical session from Prof. (Dr.) Preeti Hatibaruah



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Distribution of certificates to trainees by Prof. (Dr.) Preeti Hatibaruah



Distribution of certificates to trainees by Shri Protul Hazarika



Distribution of certificates to trainees by Dr. Prosanta Hazarika



Distribution of certificates to trainees by Prof. (Dr.) Sailen Gogoi



Group photo with trainees



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