



A Report on the meeting for



‘Awareness making and Seedlings Plantation for Springshed Management’

-under the project

‘Spring rejuvenation for water security in Himalaya’

Organized by

ICFRE-Rain Forest Research Institute, Jorhat, Assam

Venue : Lathao, Namsai, Arunachal Pradesh

Date : 11-04-2023

About 225 seedlings were planted in commemoration of Azadi Ka Amrit Mohotshov programme conducted in Latho village at the campus of Govt. Higher Secondary School, Lathao and Primary Health Center, Lathao in participation of School teachers and hospital authority on 11th April 2023. After a brief addressed by Dr. Prosanta Hazarika Project Investigator to the small gatherings of school teachers and villagers at Govt. Higher Secondary School, Lathao the plantation programme was started at 9.00 am planting a *Dalbergia sissoo* (shisham) seedling by Chow Newata Mannaw, Headman, Lathao Village. Apart from that a numbers of seedlings of *Artocarpus heterophylla* (Kathal), *Mangifera indica* (Mango), *Citrus maxima* (Robab Tenga), *Litchi sinensis* (Litsu), *Avarroa carambola* (Kordoi), *Syzygium cumini* (Kolajamun), *Garcinia lanceifolia* (Rupohi Thekera), *Syzygium jambos* (Bogi jamun), *Aquilaria malaccensis* (Agaru), *Parkia roxburghii* (Monipuri beans) etc were planted in both Govt. Higher Secondary School, Lathao and Primary Health Center, Lathao, Namsai district, Arunachal Pradesh.

After the plantation programme an awareness meeting was held at Community Hall Lathao village at 11.30 am. Dr. Prosanta Hazarika, Project Investigator, RFRI, Jorhat delivered an opening lecture on needs of plantings trees for groundwater recharge and springshed management for rejuvenation of dyeing springs. Ms. Hagi Nari, Circle Officer, Lathao and Chow Newata Mannaw, Village Headman, also delivered lectures to the gathering for creation of awareness on plantation of trees and activities to be taken up for recharge ground water for rejuvenation of springs. Few villagers also took part in interaction programme. About 600 seedlings of the mentioned species were also distributed among 70 villagers for plantation in their own campuses too. Shri Protul Hazarika, Co- project Investigator, gave vote of thanks to the dignitaries and the gathering for make the programme a grand success by their participation.



Planting seedlings by Village Headman, Lathao



Planting seedlings by Vice-Principal, HS School



Lady teacher took part in planting seedlings



Doctor, Primary Health Centre took part



Doctor Primary Health Center and others planting



Ms. Hagi Nari CO, Lathao felicitated



Dr Prosanta Hazarika, RFRI, Jorhat briefing the relation of plants and Springs



Chef Guest Hagi Nari address for planting trees for ground water recharge



Village headman Newata Mannaw addressed



A villager interact with the organizers



Villagers taking seedlings for plantation



A part of villagers with PI possessed with a seedling taking for planting in their house campus