



## INSTITUTE OF FOREST BIODIVERSITY (IFB), HYDERABAD

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### **Report on Visit of B.Sc.-Forestry students from College of Horticulture & University, Rani Lakshmi Bai Central Agricultural University, Jhansi, Uttar Pradesh to ICFRE-IFB, Hyderabad on 05-12-2023.**

The ICFRE - Institute of Forest Biodiversity (ICFRE-IFB), organized a half-day interaction session with the B.Sc. Forestry students from College of Horticulture & University, Rani Lakshmi Bai Central Agricultural University at the main building in ICFRE-IFB, Hyderabad on 05.12.2023. A total of 11 students participated as part of the all-India Educational Tour.

Speaking on occasion, **Dr. Suraj, Sc-B, ICFRE-IFB**, Extension division gave the welcome address. **Dr. Ruby Patel, Scientist-B, ICFRE-IFB** gave a presentation on “**Soil and Water: A life-supporting natural resource**” as part of **World Soil Day**. She highlighted the definition of Soil, Soil formations, Soil profile, and horizons, correlations between organic carbon and soil nutrients, Nutrient Cycling, Soil food web, etc.

After the presentation, **Shri Shivaprasad K.M, Sc-B, ICFRE-IFB** gave a presentation on **Forest Biodiversity & ICFRE-IFB**. He enlightened us about the ICFRE-Institute of Forest Biodiversity, and its activities related to Research, Extension, AICRPs and Consultancy Projects, various forest laws and environmental issues, climate change, ecological balance, biodiversity conservation techniques, green revolution, etc.

During the valedictory session, **Shri E. Venkat Reddy, IFS, Director, ICFRE-IFB**, Hyderabad expressed his views on different aspects of biodiversity, threats, and conservation of biodiversity, Sustainable development. During his discussion with students, he enlightened them about various forest and environmental issues, climate change, ecological balance, Species diversity, international conventions related to biodiversity and climate change, etc.

These sessions were followed by a biodiversity walk conducted with the help of **Ms. Aryama Mishra, Sc-B & Shri M. Sagar, TC**, at the ICFRE-IFB campus. The biodiversity walk aims to generate hands-on training on species identification, classification, and identifying local flora and its importance in and around the ICFRE-IFB campus. The biodiversity walk included Nurseries, Field experiment sites, and Entomology, Soil, and NTFP Research Laboratories

Students were entirely enthusiastic and confident about protecting the environment and forests. After the program, they met Shri E. Venkat Reddy, IFS, Director, ICFRE-IFB, and conveyed their sincere thanks.

The overall program is coordinated by Dr. Suraj, Scientist-B & Shri A. Sasidhar Reddy, Technician, Extension Division.

## Glimpses of the Program





