

## Skill development training under Van Vigyan Kendra, Mizoram on bamboo & rattan handicrafts

Name of Event	Three days skill development training under Van Vigyan Kendra, Mizoram on bamboo & rattan handicrafts.
Date (s)	05.02.2024 to 07.02.2024
Duration	Three days
Venue	ICFRE-BRC, Bethlehem Vengthlang, Aizawl.
Purpose/Agenda	Skill development and hands on training of local people on bamboo & rattan handicrafts.
No. of Participants	20 (08 Males & 12 Females)
Participating Agency (s)	Locals of Bethlehem Vengthlang and Armed Veng
Organizing Agency (s)	ICFRE-Bamboo & Rattan Centre, Bethlehem Vengthlang, Aizawl, Mizoram
Funding Agency (s)	Indian Council of Forestry Research & Education (ICFRE), Dehradun (under CAMPA Extension)

### Concise Details of the Event:

ICFRE-Bamboo and Rattan Centre (ICFRE-BRC), Bethlehem Vengthlang, Aizawl, Mizoram organized a three days skill development training under Van Vigyan Kendra, Mizoram on bamboo & rattan handicrafts, from 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2024. The target group of this training were the local people of Bethlehem Vengthlang and Armed Veng.

**Madam R. Lalawmpuii**, Corporator, Aizawl Municipal Corporation graced the occasion as the Chief Guest for the inaugural session of the training programme. The inaugural session began with the welcome address by **Shri Sandeep Yadav**, Scientist-D & Head, ICFRE-BRC followed by the speech by **Dr. Nitin Kulkarni**, Director, Rain Forest Research Institute, Jorhat, Assam. In his speech, the Director stated bamboo and rattan being an important and abundant natural resource of Mizoram as well as the whole of North-east India, so, the other parts of the country depends on the North-eastern states for the development and advancement in this field. He encouraged the participants to make the most out of the training programme and benefit from it. He also urged the younger generation to learn the skills and become entrepreneurs in this field which has a huge potential. Lastly he congratulated and wished success to both participants and ICFRE-BRC. After this the Chief Guest was felicitated by Shri Sandeep Yadav which was followed

by the introduction round of the participants.

The Chief Guest in her address expressed her gratitude and thanks to ICFRE-BRC for organizing the training for the younger generation of Mizoram. She said that the people of Mizoram were very quick in learning new skills but due to the lack of training and exposure were unable to do so. She expressed the growing popularity of bamboo handicrafts and structures made up of bamboo by citing some examples like the Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru, Agartala airport etc. She encouraged all especially the participants/trainees to take full advantage of the training programme to update and learn new skills and come at par with the rapidly growing world in the field of bamboo and rattan. A brief Presentation on research and extension activities of ICFRE-BRC was delivered by Shri Sandeep Yadav. The vote of thanks was given by Miss Dorothy Lalrinpuii (TA), ICFRE-BRC. The inaugural session ended with a group photo followed by high tea.

The training began after the tea under the guidance of Shri F. Vanlalnghaka, master trainer. The training continued for three days in which the trainees were taught how to make different bamboo & rattan handicrafts like cloth hanger, serving tray, baskets etc.

The training programme concluded in the afternoon of 7<sup>th</sup> February with discussion and feedback from the participants followed by valedictory session and distribution of certificates.



**Figure 1:** A & B: Welcoming & Felicitation of the Chief Guest; C: Welcome address; D: Speech by the Director; E: Introduction by the trainees; F: Chief Guest's address; G: Vote of thanks; H: Group photo.



**Figure 2:** A-F: Glimpses of the training G-H: Handcraft items made by the trainees.



**Figure 3:** A-B: Discussion and feedback from the participants; C-H: Distribution of Certificates

## Mau/rua hmanga kutthemthiam thil zirna ÷an



Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education - Bamboo and Rattan Centre (ICFRE-BRC), Bethlehem Vengthlang chuan nimiran Van Vigyan Kendra, Mizoram hnuaiah mau/rua hmanga kutthemthiam thil zirna, 'Bamboo and

Rattan Handicrafts Skill Development Training' an buatsaih a, bialtu corporator R Lalawmpuiin a hmanpui.

R Lalawmpuii chuan, hlawhtlinga hmasawn tur chuan tunlai khawvel mil zela thiamnate tihpun a pawimawh thu a sawi a,

"Taima leh zuala ÷an l k a ngai ÷hin. He training aanga hlawkna leh thiamna chhar ngei thei turin tih tak takna nen zir ang che u," a ti.

ICFRE-Rain Forest Research Institute, Jorhat, Assam director Dr Nitin Kulkarni pawhin thu sawiin, mau leh rua hmanga sumdawna din turin India hmarchhak ramte hian theihna nasa tak a neih thu a sawi.

Training hi February 5-7, 2024 chhung neih tur a ni a; Bethlehem Vengthlang leh Armed Veng South local council huamchhung aangin training turin mi 20 thlan chuah an ni a, mau leh hnang aanga thil siam dan an zir dawn a ni.