



ICFRE-INSTITUTE OF FOREST BIODIVERSITY, HYDERABAD Report on PRAKRITI Program at ICFRE-IFB, Hyderabad

In compliance with the MoU signed between ICFRE and Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS), to promote awareness about forests and the environment among school children for acquiring skills for care and protection of forests, climate, Mission LiFE, sustainable development, biodiversity, and society. The ICFRE-Institute of Forest Biodiversity (ICFRE-IFB) organized an awareness program on “**Prakriti: A Scientist-Student connecting initiative**” for a group of 92 students in 09th classes accompanied by staff (02 members) of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS), Koraput, Odisha on 24th January 2024 under Prakriti program.

Speaking on occasion, **Shri E. Manikanta Reddy, TC, ICFRE-IFB** gave the welcome address and he briefed about the Prakriti program, Mission LiFE, sustainable development, ICFRE-IFB, and different aspects of biodiversity, threats, and conservation of biodiversity. During his discussion with students, he enlightened them about various forest and environmental issues, climate change, ecological balance, Species diversity, etc. He also gave a presentation on ICFRE-IFB. He enlightened us about the ICFRE-Institute of Forest Biodiversity, ICFRE and its activities related to Research, Extension, AICRPs and Consultancy Projects, various forest laws and environmental issues, climate change, ecological balance, biodiversity conservation techniques, etc.

Students were entirely enthusiastic and confident about protecting the environment and forests. After the program, they conveyed their sincere thanks Shri E. Venkat Reddy, IFS, Director, ICFRE-IFB, and ICFRE-IFB staff. **Shri E. Manikanta Reddy, TC, & Shri D.S.S. Prasad, TC, ICFRE-IFB** coordinated the overall program.

Glimpses of the programme

