



## TRAINING REPORT ON **CULTIVATION TECHNIQUES OF COMMERCIALY IMPORTANT TREE SPECIES**

**29<sup>th</sup> February, 2024**

**ICFRE - INSTITUTE OF FOREST GENETICS & TREE BREEDING, COIMBATORE**

ICFRE - Institute of Forest Genetics & Tree Breeding, Coimbatore imparted one day training on “**Cultivation techniques of Commercially Important Tree Species**” to the Officials of Tamil Nadu Forest Department on 29<sup>th</sup> February, 2024. The training was imparted to 26 forest officials *viz.*, Forestry Extension Officer, Range Officer, & Forester. The training was designed to refresh the professional skills of the in-service officials of Tamil Nadu Forest Department has taken initiatives in promotion of tree cultivation in farmlands under Tamil Nadu Biodiversity and Greening Programme (TBGP) for increasing the green cover and to improve the socioeconomic status of farmers and also to help them keep abreast of the latest developments and changes in the sector at all levels including regional and national issues in the field of forestry.

Shri G. R. Madhavaraj, IFS, DCF, welcomed the gathering and gave overview of the training module – objectives and expected outcomes. Shri. V. Thirunavukarasu, IFS, APCCF & Principal, CASFOS, Coimbatore, inaugurated the training. Dr. R. Yasodha, GCR, ICFRE-IFGTB, during her presidential address highlighted the technologies of ICFRE-IFGTB in plantation technology and the focus areas wherein ICFRE-IFGTB and TNFD can work together. Shri. V. Thirunavukarasu, IFS, APCCF & Principal, CASFOS, Coimbatore, during his inaugural address stressed that improving the productivity of the existing plantations alone would help in narrowing down the gap between the demand and the supply of wood requirement. He also added that enhancing productivity can be achieved by adapting improved planting materials and advanced technologies in

plantation management. He also thanked ICFRE-IFGTB for their support in organizing the training for the field officials. The inaugural session ended with vote of thanks by Shri. P. Chandrasekaran, ACTO, ICFRE-IFGTB.

The training program attended by 26 officials included inputs on Prospects of Sandal wood Cultivation by Dr. V. Sivakumar, Scientist-G; Commercial cultivation of Casuarina – a promising pulpwood species by Dr. A. Nicodemus, ScientistG; Cultivation techniques of Tissue Culture Teak by Dr. R. Yasodha, Scientist-G; Cultivation practices of Gmelina – Timber species by Shri. A. Mayavel, Scientist-E; TREEGENIE – Interactive Digital platform by Shri. P. Chandrasekaran, ACTO; Prospects & Possibilities for Red Sanders cultivation by Shri. Maria Dominic Savio, Scientist – E and Cultivation techniques of Cadamba by Dr. A. Vijayaraghvan, Scientist-F.

The program concluded with the feedback and valedictory session on 29.02.2024. Shri. G. R. Madhavaraj, IFS, DCF, Extension delivered his impressions on the training program. Dr. R. Yasodha, Scientist-G, ICFRE-IFGTB, during her valedictory address highlighted the role of forest officials in society and achieving 33% green cover. Participants were given certificates & Shri. P. Chandrasekaran, presented the vote of thanks to the sponsors of the training programme, participants and resource persons of the training.

**Director  
ICFRE-IFGTB**



Dr. R. Yasodha, GCR during her address



Shri. V. Thirunavukarasu, APCCF during his inaugural address



Dr.V.Sivakumar, Scientist on Sandal cultivation



Shri.A.Mayavel, Scientist on Gmelina



Red Sanders Cultivation by Shri.Maria Dominic, Scientist



TreeGenie Mobile App by Shri.P.Chandrasekaran, ACTO



Feedback from participants



Certificate distribution