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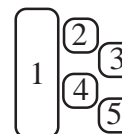
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FOREWORD

Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE) is the premier forestry research organization of India, taking up research projects for development of a number of technologies for sustainable management of forestry resources of the country, along with the task of dissemination of related knowledge and information to different stakeholders, viz., state forest departments, industries, farmers and people at large. The Council also provides Grant-in-Aid to various State Agricultural/Central Universities for development of infrastructure, students amenities etc. to promote forestry education at Undergraduate and Post-graduate level. With a view to sharing information on its activities that helps in improving its delivery, the Council publishes the Annual Report every year.

The United Nation has proclaimed 22nd May as the International Day for Biological Diversity (IBD) to increase understanding and awareness of biodiversity issues. The Council and its Institutes celebrated 22nd May 2008 as IBD by organizing impressive events to highlight the importance of the Biodiversity and to create understanding and awareness among school children, general public, officers, scientists and staff of the institutes.


The Council has been granted a project by MoEF, GOI, funded by the UNDP-GEF, through Winrock International India titled "Assessment of soil carbon stocks and dynamics in forest soils of India", for the period 1995-2007. The project forms the part of India's Second National Communication (SNC) to UNFCCC.

The ICFRE delegation under my leadership participated in 28th SBSTA/SBI meeting of UNFCCC from 2nd to 13th June 2008 at Bonn, Germany, and in the Fourteenth Conference of the Parties to UNFCCC and Fourth Meeting of the Parties to Kyoto Protocol from 1st to 12th December 2008 at Poznan, Poland, where the delegation was fully involved in the negotiations on SBSTA Agenda item 5 on "Reducing Emissions from Deforestation in Developing Countries (REDD); Approaches to Stimulate Action", and AWG-KP Agenda item 3 (b) on "Land Use, Land Use Change and Forestry" (LULUCF).

The Council has also provided Grant-in-aid to 14 State Agricultural/Deemed/Central Universities to promote forestry education at Undergraduate and Post-graduate levels to the tune of Rs. 502.71 lakh in the year 2008-2009. The Council has also started the process of Accreditation of forestry curriculum of the Universities on the basis of Guidelines issued earlier on the subject by it.

It is a matter of great pleasure in presenting ICFRE Annual Report 2008-2009 which provides an insight into research, education and extension activities of the Council.

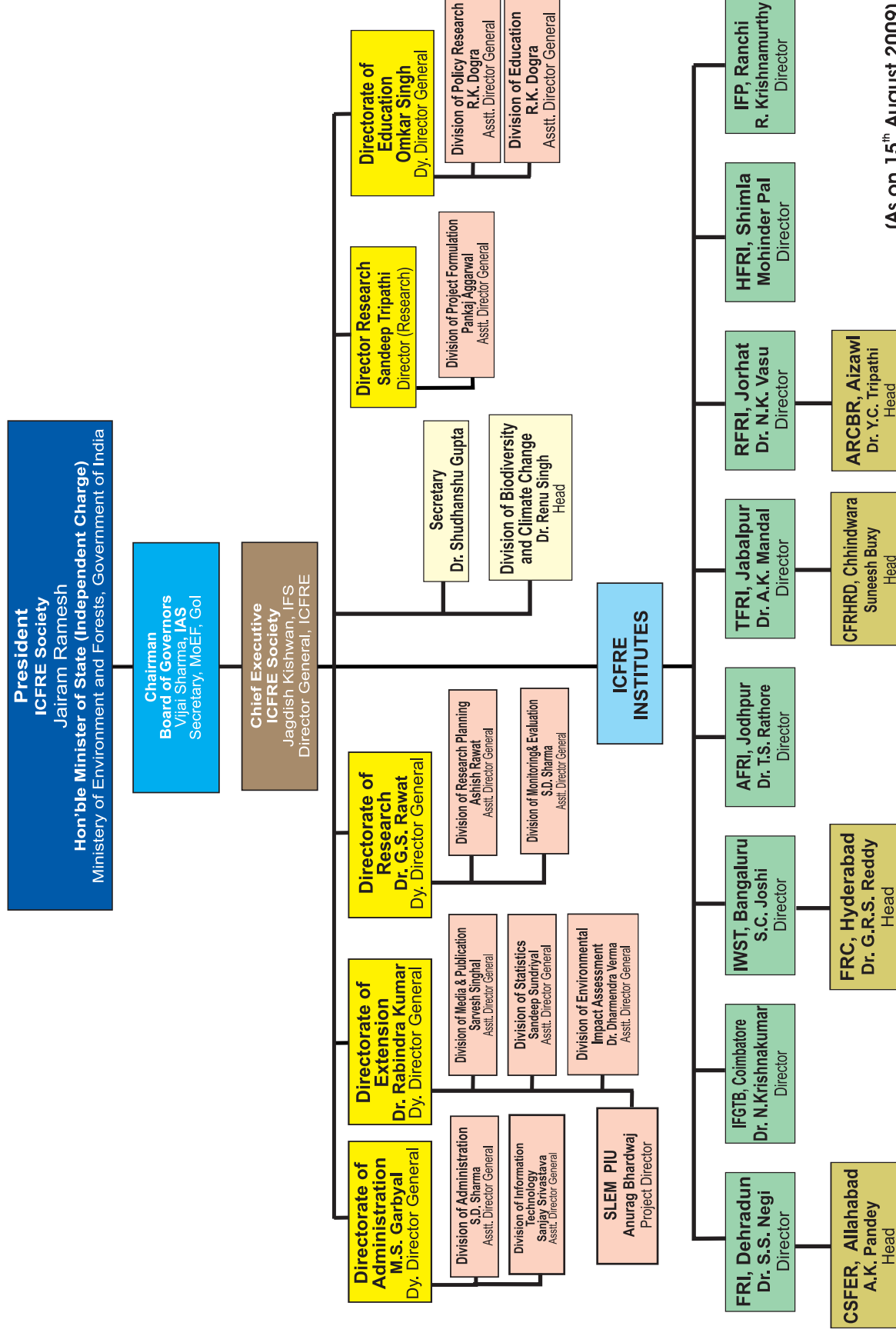
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