

## IFGTB-ENVIS Activities during the SECAS exhibition at Karur, Tamil Nadu

The Science Express Climate Action Special (SECAS) was stationed at the Karur Railway Station in Tamilnadu from 20.06.2017 to 22.06.2017. During the three-day exhibition, Team members from the ENVIS Centre on Forest Genetic Resources and Tree Improvement participated and associated with the event organizers as part of creating awareness to school, college students and public. Information boards were placed for display in the platform highlighting the following major components:

- General activities of ENVIS and significance of Forest Genetic Resources and Tree Improvement.
- Awareness posters released so far.
- Information on publications/knowledge products released.
- Photo gallery of major activities.

The various visitors to our stall included school children, college students, teachers, parents and general public. T. Vamadevan, Information officer explained about the concept of ENVIS, various ENVIS Centres under MoEF & CC focal point, and importance of conserving the existing forest genetic resources to mitigate the fluctuating climatic conditions. He also briefed the various outreach activities carried out by IFGTB-ENVIS. The ENVIS stall witnessed more than 50,000 visitors during the three-day exhibition including students from various schools, colleges, teachers, railway employees and general public.

Students were supplied with ENVIS newsletters and awareness posters. The school children visited the stall with great enthusiasm and all the school children were supplied with the following IFGTB-ENVIS knowledge products:

- i) Environmental quiz booklet containing objective type questions along with keys.
- ii) Passport data of important tree species.
- iii) Calendar cards with a note on important days of environmental significance (observed by the United Nations).





