

Skill development on Lac cultivation – a source of additional income for farmers and villagers

In a part of a series of training programmes being organized by the Skill Development Cell of TFRI under the Skill Development programme of Govt. of India, three days training on **“Additional income from Lac cultivation”** was held at Tropical Forest Research Institute, Jabalpur from 12 – 14th, September, 2017

The programme was initiated by lighting the lamp by Dr. N. Roychoudhary, Director, TFRI, Head of Divisions and participants. The participants including village sarpanch, secretary, farmers, NGOs, SHGs and students from different regions of the Madhya Pradesh are taking part in this training programme. Dr. N. Kulkarni, Incharge of Skilled Development Cell briefed about the training programme which included Lac cultivation through traditional and scientific methods, success of self help groups on lac cultivation, processing, value addition and marketing of lac and their products, processing units based on lac and economics of lac cultivation. Dr. N. Roychoudhary, Director, TFRI welcomed the participants in the Institute and highlighted the importance of lac in different industries. He threw light on the lac cultivation and how the farmers and villagers can adopt it as an additional source of income apart from their routine farming. Dr. Nanita Berry, the course director stressed on the cultivation of lac using agroforestry models, the grievances and solutions.

During the training, apart from lectures on above said topics the trainers were exposed to an industrial unit established in Balaghat for their better understanding of different aspects linked to lac cultivation.

The programme was concluded on 14th September, 2017. The certificates were distributed to the participants by the Director, TFRI. The participants appreciated this training programme especially the industry visit during the feedback session. The trainers informed that they are really benefitted by this training and they will start lac cultivation in their fields with the help and support of TFRI. Dr. N. Kulkarni presented the three days training report. Dr. N. Roychowdhary said that the purpose of these trainings is to make the people especially young ones skilled so that they can be self dependent by starting their own entrepreneurship. TFRI is continuously providing trainings on different aspects of developed techniques and boosting the people as the part of skill India campaign of Govt. of India.



During the event, Head of all divisions, scientists and officers of the Institute were present. Dr. S.N. Mishra, Scientist-B of Extension division conducted the programme and Dr. Nanita Berry proposed the vote of thanks. The help and support from Shri Raghvendra Singh, Shri Sunil Jharia and Shri Deepak Yadav was highly appreciated.



Glimpses of training programme



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