

ICFRE Regional Research Conference

Institute of Wood Science and Technology (IWST), Bengaluru along with Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding (IFGTB) organised a Web Based -ICFRE Regional Research Conference on “Forestry Research in Southern States of India” which was inaugurated by the DG, ICFRE. The DDG (Research), ICFRE and PCCFs of Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Andhra Pradesh, Goa, Andaman & Nicobar and Telangana expressed their views during inaugural session. Senior IFS officers from various Southern States presented/discussed the research needs of forest departments. Academicians from various forestry colleges (Director, Indian Institute of Plantation Management, Director, Indian Institute of Horticulture Research, Director, French Institute of Pondicherry, Director, IPIRTI, Dean, Forestry College, Ponnampet, Dean, Forest College and Research Institute, Mettupalayam and Principal Scientist, CRIDA Hyderabad made presentations about the issues and problems related to forestry/wood science. The representatives from wood and panel based industries (President, Wood Technology Association, Chairman, Kandla Timber Association, Technical Advisor, Federation of Indian Plywood And Panel Industry, Dr. K. D. Singh, Former President, Academy of Forests and Environmental and representatives of other wood industries) actively participated and shared their views about industry related problems/needs where IWST and other ICFRE institutes can contribute by taking up the research problems in their ongoing programmes.

**ICFRE Regional Research Conference on
“Forestry Research in Southern States of India”**
**Organized by Institute of Wood Science & Technology (IWST), Bangalore &
Institute of Forest Genetic and Tree Breeding (IFGTB), Coimbatore**
29th January 2021



The screenshot shows a Cisco Webex video conference interface. At the top, there are three circular icons: Cisco Webex Meetings, Meeting Info, and Hide Menu Bar. The menu bar includes File, Edit, Share, View, Audio & Video, Participant, Meeting, Breakout Sessions, and Help. On the right, there are buttons for Connected, Layout, Participants (84), and a search bar. The main area is a grid of video feeds for various participants. Some participants are identified by text labels: G M Devagiri, DWARA RAMAKRISHNA, TS Anand, AICRP on Agroforestry Bengal..., Century Plyboards India Limited..., and others. A list of participants on the right includes names like Kishore Prasad, Labadew Forest Department, Shubhadeep Hegde, Mamta Singh, Manta Madram, Nishita Kumar, Neelakshi, Nilam Kulkarni, Dr. K. D. Singh, Ramesh Dhirman, Pravin Basal, Priya Tewari, and others. The bottom of the screen shows a taskbar with various application icons and a system status bar indicating the date (29-01-2021) and time (04:35 PM).