

Press-Note on Training

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A short- term training course on *Nursery and Seed Technology* is being organized by Silviculture and Forest Management Division, Forest Research Institute (FRI), Dehradun from 23rd to 25th October 2019. It is being sponsored by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC), New Delhi under its Umbrella scheme on 'Forestry Training and Capacity building' for 'Other Stakeholders' of the Forestry sector. A total of 36 participants are enrolled for the training course who are from NGOs, Self Help Groups, Teachers, Farmers, Social Activists, College students, Tibetan Homes Foundation, Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan, from the states of Uttarakhand, UP and Himachal Pradesh. The training is organized to sensitize non-forestry stakeholders for two important programmes of the Govt. of India- Green India Mission (GIM) and Green Skill Development through various lectures and practical demonstration. Promoting skills for green jobs fosters investment in green activities and accelerates the green transformation and also would help in making personnel from non-forestry sector to obtain these skills through training programmes and earn a livelihood through them. The training is structured to accommodate all related issues pertaining to nursery and seed technology for which experts from respective fields have been invited for delivering lectures and practical demonstrations.

The training started with welcome address and overview of the training programme by Dr. Manisha Thapliyal, Course Coordinator. Mrs Arti Choudhary Head Silviculture division said that such training programmes are aimed at developing the skills for livelihood generation also. Shri Arun Singh Rawat Director Forest Research Institute stressed on the significance of such training programmes for people from non-forestry sectors and how they could contribute to the Governments programme on Green India Mission and also earn livelihood through learning green skills under the Government schemes on Skill development. He said that the objective of such training programmes is to create awareness and train people for making contribution and involving them in growing quality planting stock which would have an impact on enhancing the productivity of the plantations under various schemes. The participants will be oriented towards establishment and operationalizing of Nursery, operations, Bamboo propagation and economics of its cultivation, importance and nursery techniques of forestry, medicinal and ornamental species; insect-pest and fungal diseases of nursery and their management, soil fertility management in nursery and plantations, practical demonstration and hands-on, visit to the botanical garden, museums, herbarium, bambusetum, etc. There will also be an interactive session with the participants on last day of the training in which the participants are going to share the work on nursery and plantations that they have been doing in their organizations. On this occasion other scientists of the division Dr. Dinesh Kumar, Dr. Neelu Singh, Dr. BP Tamta, Dr. Ombir Singh, Dr. Nawa Bahar were also present.

