

# **A Report on Networking of Van Vigyan Kendras (VVK's) with Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVK's)**

**held at HFRI, Shimla on 30.08.2013**

**Himalayan Forest Research Institute (HFRI)**, Shimla organized a one day meeting on “**Networking of Van Vigyan Kendras with Krishi Vigyan Kendras**” on **30.08.2013** at its conference Hall, which was attended by about 30 no of participants including Programme Coordinators of KVK's of Jammu, Kathua, Mandi, Bilaspur, Shimla, Solan, Kullu and Officers & Scientists of the institute.

**Sh. Jagdish Singh**, Scientist-E, Scientist-in-charge VVK welcomed all the participants of the meeting and added that the basic objective of the meeting is to formalize the modalities for Networking with of VVK's with KVKs in jurisdiction state of Himachal Pradesh and Jammu & Kashmir.

**Dr. V.R.R. Singh** IFS, Director, HFRI, Shimla formally welcomed **Dr. A.M. Narula**, Zonal Project Director Zone I, PAU Campus Ludhiana and Programme Coordinators from different KVK's. During his inaugural address he told that efforts of linking of KVKs with VVKs is a very good initiative for reaching out amongst the different stakeholders which will ultimately help in augmentation of rural people besides sustainable development and conservation of natural resources. He informed that HFRI has established **Van Vigyan Kendra (VVK)** at Field Research Station, Brundhar, Jagatsukh district Kullu (H.P.), **VVK, Janipur, Jammu (J&K)** at State Forest Research Institute (SFRI) and **Demo Village** at Lanabaka, district Sirmour (H.P.) so that the gains of various forestry related technologies developed in ICFRE/HFRI can be fully realized by properly demonstrating them for speedy adoption by different user groups.

**Dr. A.M. Narula**, Zonal Project Director, thanked the authorities of HFRI for organizing this meeting at Shimla. He informed that there are 635 Krishi Vigyan Kendras in the country, opened by ICAR and functioning by universities. He highlighted the salient achievements of KVK,s which has well developed networking all over the India. He appreciated the draft guidelines prepared by ICFRE for networking of KVK's with VVK's. He hoped that the Networking of KVK,s and VVK,s will prove beneficial to various end users.

**Dr. Vijender Pal Panwar, Scientist-C** made a power point presentation and highlighted the major research & extension activities of the institute as carried out/ accomplished by the institute till date.

**Sh. Jagdish Singh, Scientist-E** presented the draft guidelines for networking of KVK' with VVK's. He also suggested some of the draft modalities for networking of VVK with KVK in the States of H.P. & J&K .

During the plenary session various issues were discussed and modalities for networking of VVK with KVK's were worked out.

**Sh. SS Kataik IFS** on behalf of Director, HFRI, extended a special vote of thanks to the participants.

## Glimpses of Photographs during the Meeting



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