

IFP promoting lac cultivation through training to the farmers and NGOs

Five day training on 'Scientific Lac Cultivation and Management' has been inaugurated by Shri Rameshwar Das, Director, IFP on 24th June, 2012 at Institute of Forest Productivity, Ranchi. Shri Das in his inaugural speech addressed the issue of declining lac production in the country due to various factors including change in climatic conditions, lack of knowledge of modern cultivation practices and unavailability of healthy broodlac to the farmers. Dr. Arvind Kumar, Head, Forest Protection Division and programme coordinator briefed about the technical content of the training and requested the farmers to actively interact with the faculty during the training.

The programme is sponsored by Ministry of Environment and Forest, Govt of India and 40 numbers of farmers from West Bengal, Odisha and Jharkhand are participating in the program. The aim of the training is to promote lac cultivation and increase lac production. Further, the training also aims at preparing master trainer among the farmers at village level to promote scientific methods of lac cultivation on different host plant and their management. These master trainers would address the problems faced by the farmers in lac cultivation at grass-root level.

Senior Scientist Dr. S. Nath, Dr Sharad Tiwari, Dr. Sanjay Singh, Dr. Animesh Sinha, Dr. M.Ray, Smt Ruby Kujur, Sh. D.K.Das, Sh. Pankaj Singh and Sh. R.S. Prasad were also present on the occasion. The inaugural session ended with vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Sharad Tiwari, Head, Extension Division.



