

## **RFRI Conducts Week-long Training of IFS Officers**

**Rain Forest Research Institute, Jorhat (Assam)** conducted a week-long Compulsory Training on *Bamboo Resource Development for Addressing Livelihood Concerns of Communities*, sponsored by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India for the officers of the Indian Forest Service from 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2017. Twenty officers from various parts of the county participated in the training. The training consisted of theoretical sessions mainly focusing on the bamboo resources of the country, bamboo design, traditional value chain of bamboos, and the modern value chain. The training also included practical sessions of visit to the Nagaland Bamboo Resource Centre, Dimapur (Nagaland) where all modern value addition practices are adopted to manufacture bamboo charcoal, bamboo shoot products, bamboo furniture, bamboo constructions, modern stylish handicrafts for the urban and export market, etc.

There were altogether thirteen sessions covering wide range of topics on bamboo. Delivering the first presentation on ‘Overview of bamboo sector in India’, Dr. R. S. C. Jayaraj, Director, RFRI, touched on bamboo biodiversity in India, bamboo growing stock, priority species, constraints in bamboo resource and steps required for resource and productivity enhancement.

Dr. T. C. Bhuyan, Retired Scientist of RFRI, Jorhat delivered his presentation on ‘Bamboo Propagation and Plantation Management’. Dr. Bhuyan mentioned the role of bamboo for social, cultural, economic, food security and various types of ecological applications such as soil stabilization, reclamation of land and environmental degradation etc.

Shri George V. Jenner, IFS, Mission Director of Tripura Bamboo Mission (TBM) delivered his presentation on ‘Bamboo for Livelihood: A Success Story- Tripura Bamboo Mission’ and shared his experience on growth of bamboo sector in Tripura for sustainable development and resource utilization with a comparative accounts between India and China.

Dr. Siddique Ali Ahmed, Scientist, Central Muga Eri Research and Training Institute, Lahdoigarh, Jorhat (Assam) on ‘Cluster Development in Bamboo and Sericulture Sector’.

Dr. L. R. Bhuyan, Scientist, State Forest Research Institute, Arunachal Pradesh delivered his presentation on Bamboo Diversity and its Conservation.

Shri Priyam B. Goswami, Principal Architect, MAGNIDUS DESIGN, Delhi gave a presentation on Bamboo in structural construction. He described the traditional house making material of

people under the rule of Ahom dynasty, when most of them were making with bamboo except the royal families.

Shri B. B. Singh, IFS, Mission Director, MP Bamboo Mission delivered a presentation on Status of Bamboo Sector of MP, India. He described about bamboo forest cover, bamboo production and trade in India *vis-a-vis* the world.

The participants visited RFRI Bamboo Nursery, Bambusetum and Bamboo Composite Centre (BCC). Shri R. K. Kalita led the team to the field where Dr. T. C. Bhuyan and Shri Kumud Bora explained various methods of bamboo propagation to the participants. They also visited Bambusetum where Shri Debojit Neog explained the various identifying characters of bamboos. The participants also visited the BCC and appreciated the efforts of RFRI in the sphere of bamboo handcrafts making for livelihood generation.

A Cultural programme showcasing the rich cultural heritage of Assam was organized in the evening where artists performed *Borgeet*, *Kathak* Dance, *Satriya* Dance, Vocal, Orchestra and *Bihu* Dance.

Shri Sukumar Haobam from Imphal, Manipur and also Coordinator, Bamboo Forum of India delivered a presentation on Bamboo Product and Design development of North East India. Delivering his presentation, Shri Haobam emphasized on the use of innovative designs to promote the bamboo products in national and international markets.

Dr. Dhruvajyoti Das, Scientist, RFRI, Jorhat made a presentation on 'Bamboo Resource Mapping' with special references to mapping of *Muli* bamboo in Tripura.

Md. Ibrahim, Scientist, RFRI, Jorhat delivered a presentation on Bamboo Research and Extension at RFRI, Jorhat. Md. Focusing the glimpses of research activities on Bamboo at RFRI,

Dr. R. L. Banik, former Director of Bangladesh Forest Research Institute delivered the valedictory address and shared his experience with participants.

Certificates and Mementoes were distributed to the participants in the valedictory session.

Shri R. K. Kalita, Course Director offered the customary vote of thanks to all the participants, resource persons and others present.

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### বৰ্ষাৰণ্য গৱেষণা প্ৰতিষ্ঠানত বাঁহ সম্পদৰ বিষয়ত বন মন্ত্ৰ্যালয়ৰ প্ৰশিক্ষণ কাৰ্যসূচী আৰম্ভ

মেলোংঃ নিজা প্ৰতিবেদক, ৬ নৱেম্বৰ  
ঃ উত্তৰ পূৰ্বাঞ্চলৰ বাঁহ সম্পদৰ  
গুৰুত্বৰ পৰিবেশ, বন আৰু জলবায়ু  
চৰকাৰৰ পৰিবেশ, বন আৰু জলবায়ু  
পৰিবেশ মন্ত্ৰ্যালয়ৰ অৰ্থসাহায্যত  
মোৰহাটৰ চটাইছিত বৰ্ষাৰণ্য গৱেষণা  
প্ৰতিষ্ঠানে আয়োজন কৰা প্ৰশিক্ষণ  
কাৰ্যসূচী আজিৰে পৰা আৰম্ভ হৈছে।  
১০ নৱেম্বৰলৈ চলিব লগা এই  
প্ৰশিক্ষণ কাৰ্যসূচীত দেশৰ বিভিন্ন  
ৰাজ্যৰ ভাৰতীয় বন সেৱাৰ  
একেশ্বৰ্যবাকী বিষয়াই ভাগ লৈছে।  
বাঁহ সম্পদৰ সঠিক ব্যৱহাৰেৰে  
জনসাধাৰণৰ জীৱিকা বৃদ্ধি কৰাকৈ মূল  
উদ্দেশ্য হিচাপে লৈ অনুষ্ঠিত কৰা  
প্ৰশিক্ষণ শিবিৰটোত বাঁহ সম্পদৰ  
বিভিন্নতা, উৎপাদন কৌশল,  
সুৰক্ষণ, বাঁহৰ ভিন্ন প্ৰয়োগ, বাঁহ  
নীতি, বজাৰ ব্যৱস্থা আদি বিষয়ত  
অভিজ্ঞ সমল ব্যক্তিয়ে প্ৰশিক্ষণ  
আগবঢ়াব। প্ৰশিক্ষণৰ উদ্বোধনী  
অনুষ্ঠানত বন বিভাগৰ ওড়িশা,  
মধ্যপ্ৰদেশ আৰু উত্তৰ প্ৰদেশৰ উচ্চ  
পদস্থ বিষয়া ক্ৰমে পৃথিৱীৰাজ সিং,  
বি বি সিং আৰু এ কে জৈনে বক্তব্য  
প্ৰদান কৰি বাঁহৰ যথাযথ ব্যৱহাৰৰ  
জৰিয়তে কেনেদৰে জনসাধাৰণৰ  
আৰ্থিকভাৱে লাভৱানিত হ'ব পাৰে  
সেই সম্বন্ধত আলোকপাত কৰে।



অনুষ্ঠানত আদৰ্শী ভাষণ প্ৰদান কৰি  
বৰ্ষাৰণ্য গৱেষণা প্ৰতিষ্ঠানটোৰ  
সঞ্চালক ড° আৰ এছ চি জয়ৰাজে  
ভাৰত তথা উত্তৰ-পূবৰ প্ৰচুৰ বাঁহ  
সম্পদত গুৰুত্ব আৰোপ কৰি কয় যে  
বাঁহে পৰিবেশৰ ভাৰসাম্য ৰক্ষা কৰাৰ  
লগতে ই কৃষকৰ জীৱিকাৰ এক  
অন্যতম উপজীৱী হিচাপে বিবেচিত  
হৈছে। প্ৰশিক্ষণ উদ্বোধনী অনুষ্ঠানত  
শলাগ জ্ঞাপন কৰে প্ৰতিষ্ঠানটোৰ  
বিজ্ঞানী তথা কাৰ্যসূচীটোৰ সঞ্চালক  
ৰাজীৱ কুমাৰ কলিতাই। উদ্দেশ্যেগো

যে সমগ্ৰ কাৰ্যসূচীত মণিপুৰৰ বিখ্যাত  
বাঁহৰ ডিজাইনাৰ সুকুমাৰ হাওৰামে  
বাঁহ শিল্পৰ বিভিন্ন ডিজাইন আৰু  
এই সমূহৰ প্ৰয়োগ তথা বজাৰৰ  
চাহিদাৰ প্ৰশিক্ষণ আগবঢ়াব। তদুপৰি  
বিশ্বশ্ৰেষ্ঠ বিজ্ঞানী, বাঁহ গৱেষণাৰ  
বিশিষ্ট গৱেষক ড° বৰ্তন লাল বণিকৈ  
প্ৰশিক্ষণৰ মূল দীক্ষাত ভাষণ প্ৰদান  
কৰিব। প্ৰশিক্ষাৰ্থীসকলক ডিমাপুৰত  
থকা নগালেণ্ড বাঁহ সম্পদ কেন্দ্ৰলৈ  
পৰিদৰ্শনৰ বাবে নিয়াটো প্ৰশিক্ষণৰ  
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## Training course on bamboo resource development

FROM A CORRESPONDENT

JORHAT, Nov 5: A week-long compulsory training course on Bamboo Resource Development for addressing livelihood concerns of communities for officers of Indian Forest Service was kicked off at the Rain Forest Research Institute (RFRI) (Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education) which was sponsored by the Ministry of Environment, Forest, Climate Change, Government of India. A total of 22 Indi-

an Forest Service officials from across the country are taking part, said Dr. R S C Jayraj, the director of RFRI on Monday.

During his inaugural speech, Dr R A C Jayraj said that RFRI had been chosen because in the Northeast most number of bamboo varieties grow here. There are 17 rare species found in the region too. The course is mainly to sensitize the senior officials on the importance of bamboo. "We want to showcase this so that it can be taken from us" he said.

During the inaugural session, bamboo researchers, designers of national and international repute like Dr. Prithiviraj Singh, Dr. AK Jain, Dr. Sukumar Hawbam, Dr. Ratan Lal Banik spoke on the occasion who will also lead and address bamboo livelihood concern to communities based on the affect, the pros and cons of bamboo resource development, while the participating officials will also be taken to Bamboo Development Unit at Dimapur in Nagaland during the week period, the director RFRI added.

