

### **District Level Workshop on Propagation and Management of Bamboo**

A District Level Workshop on '**Propagation and Management of Bamboo**' was held at RFRI, Jorhat on 4-5 November, 2011. The Workshop was organized by Jorhat Forest Development Agency under National Bamboo Mission, Assam. The two-day Workshop was inaugurated by Sri R. C. Jain, Deputy Commissioner, Jorhat. Sri S. Nayak, CF, Upper Assam Circle, Sri N. K. Malakar, DFO, Jorhat, Sri K. K. Das, DFO, Social Forestry, Scientists and Officers of RFRI attended the Workshop. At the outset, Mr. Malakar described the aim of the conducting such workshop. While delivering the inaugural speech, the Deputy Commissioner, Jorhat emphasised the need of cultivation of bamboo and also highlighted the importance bamboo in the economy of Assam as well as North East.

There were thirty trainees participated in the workshop. The trainees include members of JFMCs, NGO representatives, State Forest Department Field Staffs, Bamboo based Entrepreneurs and Farmers. The training was imparted on diverse aspects of bamboo such as Propagation and Nursery Management, Commercial Cultivation, Value Addition, Pest and Disease Control, Preservation and Bamboo Handicrafts. Hands-on sessions were also conducted at the bamboo nursery. Visit to RFRI Bambusetum was done to acquaint with different species of bamboo. The resource persons were Sri R. K. Kalita, Dr. T. C. Bhuyan, Sri Debojit Neog and Sri Kumud Bora.

A lively interaction was held with trainees at the last day of the training. Certificates were distributed among the trainees.





