

## **TFRI hold five days online training on Non-Wood Forest Products including medicinal plants for ICFRE technical staff under HRD plan**

Tropical Forest Research Institute (TFRI), Jabalpur conducted five-day training programme on **‘Cultivation, Processing Techniques and Management of Non-Wood Forest Products (NWFPs) including Medicinal Plants’** for the technical staff of Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE), Dehradun. A total of 29 technical officials participated from nine institutes of ICFRE in the training from November 22 to 26 through virtual mode.

At the outset, Dr. Hari Om Saxena, Course Coordinator welcomed the Chief guest Chandrashekhar Rao, *IFS*, CEO of Chhattisgarh Tribal, Local Health Traditions & Medicinal Plants Board and Ex- PCCF, Chhattisgarh state and special guest Shri Deepak Mishra, *IFS*, Assistant Director General (Edu & RB), ICFRE, Dehradun. He also welcomed participants to the training programme designed for the enhancement of technical knowledge on commercially important NWFPs and medicinal plants. Enumerating in detail about various aspects of NWFPs like quality standardization, cultivation and marketing, he briefed about the structure and schedule of the training programme.

Smt. Neelu Singh, Group Co-ordinator Research, TFRI, emphasized on the dependency of tribal on NWFPs and need to organise the sector for their benefits. She was also in view to include more NWFPs for Minimum Support Price (MSP).

In his address, Dr G Rajeshwar Rao, *ARS*, Director TFRI accentuated on the need to develop organised system to benefit primary collectors, he informed about TFRI's initiative for development of NWFP incubation centre. This centre will provide complete mechanism for NWFPs from forest to the people by capacity building of forest dependent communities on sustainable harvesting techniques and post-harvest management of forest produce including market linkages.

Shri Deepak Mishra, *IFS*, ADG (Edu & RB), ICFRE, Dehradun, informed that the training is part of HRD plan 2018-2023 to upgrade skills and knowledge sets of scientists, technical and administrative staff of ICFRE. This training on NWFPs is important for partnership with

people and forests. Giving examples of branding of various NWFPs in different states, he discussed ways to fetch profits above MSP by marketing of the products properly.

In his inaugural address, Shri Chandrashekhar Rao, *IFS*, CEO of Chhattisgarh Tribal, Local Health Traditions & Medicinal Plants Board and Ex- PCCF, Chhattisgarh extended his gratitude towards the Director TFRI and appreciated the training module. He further added about the need for clean and nature dependent lifestyle after the pandemic. He informed about the cluster approach followed by Medicinal Plant Board Raipur for augmenting resources and increasing the livelihood of people.

During these five days training, lectures on various aspects of non-wood forest products and medicinal plants were covered by a number of experienced resource persons from different parts of the country like Tamilnadu, Himachal Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and Maharashtra states. Mainly the lectures were focused on sustainable harvesting, processing, value addition, quality control, cultivation, certification, conservation and varietal development of commercially important non-wood forest products such as honey, Mahua, Chironji, Sarpgandha, Akarkara, Stevia, Safed musli, Satavar, Kalmegh, Chandan, Isabgol, Senna etc.

The training was concluded on 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2021. During the valedictory session, Dr. G. Rajeshwar Rao, Director of TFRI welcomed the Chief guest Shri Pradeep Vasudeva, Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Working plan, Jabalpur region by a bouquet. Training Co-ordinator, Dr Hari Om Saxena briefed the five days training report. During the feedback session the training participants praised and cherished TFRI for organizing such a nice and diversified training course on non-wood forest products which will definitely help them in their research works. Head of SFM & AF Division, Dr. M. Kundu appreciated the Course coordinator for the successful completion of the training. GCR, Smt. Neelu Singh said that the training was very well organized and advised participants to implement the knowledge gained during this training for the betterment of the forest dependent communities in their areas. Director, TFRI Dr. Rao congratulated the Course coordinator for organizing such a training programme to enhance the skill of technical staff of the Indian Council of Forestry Research & Education, Dehradun. In his address, Shri Pradeep Vasudeva, the chief guest said that non-wood forest products play a crucial role in the livelihood and sustenance of forest dwellers and rurals. To organize the training on such a vulnerable topic is really appreciable. He wished the

participants well in all their future endeavors. The chief guest also distributed certificates to the participants of TFRI who were present offline.

The programme ended with vote of thanks by Dr. Hari Om Saxena, Scientist – D and Course coordinator. During the event, all scientists and officers of TFRI were present.

## Glimpses of the training programme

### Inaugural session



## Valedictory session







## Media coverage

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# TFRI holding online training on cultivation of NWFPs



Dignitaries during virtual training programme on NWFPs at TFRI, Jabalpur.

**■ Staff Reporter**

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A total of 29 technical officials will be participating from the nine institutes of ICFRE in the training from November 22 to 26 through virtual mode.

Dr G Rajeshwar Rao, ARS, Director TFRI, welcomed the guests and participants and accentuating on the need to develop organised system to benefit primary collectors, he informed about TFRI's initiative for development of NWFP incubation centres. These centres will provide complete mechanism

for NWFPs from forest to the people by training forest dependent communities about sustainable & post harvesting techniques for forest produce thereby providing their market linkages.

Dr. Deepak Mishra, IFS, ADG (Edu & RB), ICFRE, Dehradun, informed that the training is part of HRD plan 2018-2023 to upgrade skills and knowledge sets of scientists, technical and administrative staff of ICFRE. This training on NWFPs is important for partnership with people and forests. Giving examples of branding of various NWFPs in different states, he discussed ways to fetch profits above MSP by marketing of the products properly. Dr Hari Om Saxena, Organising Secretary, welcomed the participants to the training programme designed for the enhancement of technical knowledge of commercially important NWFPs and medicinal plants. Enumerating in detail

about various aspects of NWFPs like quality standardization, cultivation and marketing he briefed about the structure and schedule of the training programme.

Neelu Singh, Group Co-ordinator Research, TFRI, emphasised on the dependency of tribals on NWFPs and need to organise the sector for their benefit. Informing about the inclusion of more NWFPs for Minimum Support Price (MSP).

Chandrashekhar Rao, IFS and CEO of the Medicinal Plant Board and former PCCF Chhattisgarh extended his gratitude towards the Director TFRI and appreciated the wholesome farm to pharmacy schedule of the training. He further added about the need for clean and nature dependent lifestyle shift post the pandemic that has affected people's lives and with increase in modern lifestyle diseases like cancer and other hormonal imbalances.

# अकाष्ठ वन उत्पादों, औषधीय पौधों पर दी गई उपयोगी जानकारी

## उष्ण कटिबंधीय वन अनुसंधान संस्थान में तकनीकी अधिकारियों के लिए प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रम का आयोजन

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उष्ण कटिबंधीय वन अनुसंधान संस्थान टीएफआरआई द्वारा भारतीय तकनीकी अनुसंधान एवं शिक्षा परिषद आईसीएफआरई के तकनीकी अधिकारियों और कर्मचारियों के लिए अकाष्ठ वन उत्पादों सहित औषधीय पौधों की खेती, प्रसंस्करण तकनीक और प्रबंधन पर वन विज्ञानीय प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रम का आयोजन किया जा रहा है। 22 से 26 नवम्बर तक आयोजित इस प्रशिक्षण में आईसीएफआरई

के 9 संस्थानों से कुल 29 तकनीकी अधिकारी वर्चुअल मोड के माध्यम से भाग ले रहे हैं।

प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रम में टीएफआरआई निदेशक डॉ. जी. राजेश्वर राव ने वन उत्पादों के वाणिज्यिक उत्पादकों को लक्ष्य धारण करने के लिए समेकित प्रणाली विकसित करने की बात कही। उन्होंने एनएचएचएफएचसी केंद्रों को विकसित करने के लिए संस्थान की पहल के बारे में बताया जो वन अधिकारियों को वन उत्पादों की विपणन विधियों एवं प्रसंस्करण तकनीकों के बारे में



प्रशिक्षण कर उनके बचत संकेतों की जानकारी प्रदान करेगा। कार्यक्रम में देशभर के डॉ. शैलेश सिंह, आयोजन सचिव डॉ. हरीजीत रामरेड, सीएमसी नेहरू सिंह, चंद्रशेखर राव ने उत्तरीय जानकारी प्रदान की। उद्घाटन सत्र का औपचारिक ध्वजारोहण एम. कुंदू, प्रमुख विज्ञानीकल्पनाजीवन प्रबंधन प्रबंधक एवं बंगलूरन वैज्ञानिक नीरज प्रजापति द्वारा किया गया।

## Training held on cultivation, processing techniques of non-wood forest products

■ Staff Reporter

A FIVE-DAY training programme on 'Cultivation, Processing techniques and management of non-wood forest products including medicinal plants' was concluded at Tropical Forest Research Institute, Jabalpur.

The training was conducted through virtual mode. During the valedictory session, Dr.G. Rajeshwar Rao, Director of TFRI welcomed the Chief guest Pradeep Vasudeva, Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Working plan, Jabalpur region by a bouquet. Training Co-ordinator, Dr Hari Om Saxena briefed the five days training report. During the training, lectures on various aspects of non-wood forest products and medicinal plants were covered by a number of experienced resource persons from different parts of the country like Tamilnadu, Himachal Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and Maharashtra states. Mainly the lectures were focused on sustainable harvesting, processing, value addition, quality control, cultivation, certification, conservation and varietal development of commercially important non-wood for-

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TFRI, Director, Dr G Rajeshwar Rao felicitating the participants of training programme.