

Training on 'Plantation Technology' for personnel of IFFDC

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A short-term training on 'Plantation Technology' for personnel of Indian Farm Forestry Development Cooperative Limited (IFFDC), Gurgaon from July 13 to 15 is being organized by the Silviculture Division of Forest Research Institute at Dehradun on special request from the Chief Executive Officer, IFFDC, Gurgaon, Haryana.

In this training programme 26 personnel of IFFDC from the states of UP, MP, Rajasthan, Orissa, West Bengal are participating.

During the inauguration of the training course, Chief Guest Dr Savita, Director, FRI said that IFFDC was doing commendable work on afforestation and development of wasteland

through tree plantation and also contributing towards enhancing the socio-economic status of rural poor through sustainable Natural Resource Management by collective action of the society and this training will provide scientific inputs on nursery raising and plantation management.

Dr Neelu Gera, Head Silviculture Division also hoped that the participants would benefit from such courses and gain knowledge from the scientific inputs on various aspects which would be applied to practices in the field. RK Dwivedi, Project Manager, IFFDC told about various plantation activities of IFFDC in stakeholder states in India and briefly explained about the afforestation and farm-forestry activities of IFFDC



and said that the cooperative had developed thousands of hectares of waste-

lands as farm forestry through different cooperatives in different states thus

providing employment opportunities to marginalized sections of society.

Earlier Dr Manisha Thapliyal, Course Coordinator of the course and told that more emphasis was being given to practical exposure in nursery plantation activities. The training module includes the techniques of seed technology, nursery and plantation techniques of important tree species of UP, MP, Rajasthan, Orissa, West Bengal, different agro-forestry models, growing medicinal plants, etc. with practical exposure in nursery and field. The training lectures also include soil fertility management in nursery and plantations, afforestation of difficult sites and management of fungal and insect-pest diseases in nursery and plantations. Dr Ombir Singh proposed the vote of thanks.

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Forestry improves status of poor: FRI

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Dr Savita, Director of the Forest Research Institute (FRI), has laid emphasis on the importance of role of forestry towards the betterment of socio-economic status of rural poor.

She inaugurated a short term training on plantation technology organised for the personnel of Indian Farm Forestry Development Cooperative Limited (IFFDC), Gurgaon, at the FRI today. She said the IFFDC was doing a commendable work on afforestation and development of wasteland through tree plantation.

She said tree plantation was also contributing towards enhancing the socio-economic status of rural poor through sustainable natural resource management by collective

action of the society.

Dr Neelu Gera, head of the Silviculture division, said the participants would be benefited from such courses and gain knowledge from the scientific inputs on various aspects which would be applied to practices in the field. She said more emphasis was being given to practical exposure in nursery and plantation activities. The training module includes the techniques of seed technology, nursery and plantation techniques of important tree species.

IFFDC project manager RK Dwivedi threw light on various plantation activities of the IFFDC in stakeholder states in the country. As many as 26 personnel of the IFFDC from UP, MP, Rajasthan, Orissa and West Bengal are participating in the three-day training programme.