

ICFRE-Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding, Coimbatore-2

Organized one day exposure visit to the Forest Guards, Tamil Nadu Forest Department

ICFRE-Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding organized one day exposure visit to 107th batch of Forest Guards (64 Nos.), Tamil Nadu Forest Department on 24.06.2024.

Dr. S. Saravanan, Scientist-F and Head, Extension division, given an overview about ICFRE-IFGTB research and extension activities. The speaker explained the need for quality planting material and the role of seed orchards for production of QPM. Also, he narrated the contribution of the ICFRE-IFGTB in the field of tree improvement and clones released in Casuarina, Eucalyptus & TC Teak and its reach & economic benefits to the tree growers.

As a part of the visit, Forest Guards were taken to Vegetative Multiplication Garden of ICFRE-IFGTB. Visit was made to show different facilities like Mother bed chamber, shade house and the essential requirements for mass multiplication. The forest guards were appraised by Shri. R. Velumani, Technical Officer & Shri. Paulraj, Technician on the concepts of selection of candidate plus trees, establishment of VMG, collection of cuttings from Mother Bed chambers, vegetative multiplication garden and coppice shoots, etc. They were also given inputs on the various advanced methodologies practiced by ICFRE- IFGTB in clonal propagation of Eucalyptus, Casuarina and other important indigenous tree species.



Briefing about ICFRE-IFGTB research and extension activities



Visit to vegetative multiplication garden