## KISAN STUDY TOUR (KST) REPORT Duration: 03-04-2018 to 08-04-2018

A group of 23 farmers have been sent for Kisan Study Tour (KST) to Uttarakhand Forestry Training Academy, Haldwani (Uttarakhand) under the "Agroforestry Capacity Building Project of Bihar State". The batch was fag off by the Honorable Deputy Chief Minister and Honorable Minister Department of Environment and Forest Shri Sushil Kumar Modi in a program held on 03/04/2018 at Aranya Bhawan, Patna. The group of farmers left Hajipur Railway station on 04/04/2018 in the presence of Shri Aditya Kumar, principal investigator of the project cum Officer-in-Charge, Forestry Research and Extension Centre, Patna (Bihar). Farmers reached UFTA, Haldwani in the morning of 05/05/2018. During the training farmers got exposure to different Agroforestry Systems adopted by the farmers in Uttarakhand and research and development in the field of agroforestry. The tour was aiming to show the success stories of the Agroforestry and its benefits as "seeing is believing". During the visit apart from class room teaching farmers were taken to various farms and interacted with local farmers. The details of the visit are given below:-

| S.N. | Items                          | Description                                     |
|------|--------------------------------|---|
| 1.   | Forest Division                | : Sitamardhi, Vaishali and Gopalganj            |
|      | (of Farmers selected)          |   |
| 2.   | Districts of Bihar from        | : Sitamadhi, Vaishali and Siwan                 |
|      | which Farmers belong           |   |
| 3.   | Number of Participants         | : 23 ( Sitamadhi -02, Vaishali -15 , Siwan -06) |
| 4.   | Training Period                | : 05/04/2018 to 07/04/2018                      |
| 5.   | Training Institute             | : UFTA, Haldwani                                |
| 6.   | <b>Training Topics (topics</b> | • Traditional methods of practicing             |
|      | on which classes               | agroforestry.                                   |
|      | organized)                     | • Introduction to agroforestry and different    |
|      |                                | systems of agroforestry.                        |
|      |                                | • Selection of species in agroforestry on the   |
|      |                                | basis of soil.                                  |
|      |                                | Marketing strategies of agroforestry produce    |

|                          | and their economics.                            |
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|                          | • Importance of improved seeds and clones in    |
|                          | agroforestry systems.                           |
|                          | • Different types of Agroforestry Models and    |
|                          | their economics.                                |
|                          | • Silvicultural operations of different         |
|                          | agroforestry tree species.                      |
| 7. Field Visits (Places) | • Visit of hill agroforestry systems specially  |
|                          | tejpatta based systems.                         |
|                          | • Field visit of poplar based agroforestry      |
|                          | systems.  |
|                          | • Van Anusandhanshala nursery visit at          |
|                          | Lalkuan.  |
|                          | • Agroforestry farm visit at Lalkuan.           |
|                          | • CIMAP, Nagla field visit of farmers.          |
|                          | • Plywood industry, century and green ply visit |
|                          | at lalkuan and Rudrapur.                        |
|                          | • Local agroforestry field visit in lalkuan and |
|                          | Gaughat.  |
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## PHOTOGRAPHS



**Class room teaching of Farmers** 

Field visit of farmers



Farmers getting information through class teaching



Poplar nursery and Agroforestry plot visit



**CIMAP visit of farmers**