Training Programme on "Gender mainstreaming for REDD+ implementation" (22nd October, 2018)

A one day training programme on "Gender mainstreaming for REDD+ implementation" was organized by Biodiversity and Climate Change Division, Directorate of Research, Indian Council of Forest Research and Education at the conference hall of National Forest Library and Information Center on 22nd October, 2018. The overarching goal of the training programme was achieving gender equality. The programme attempts to encourage participation of both men and women in policy and programme cycle for planning, implementation and evaluation of REDD+. The objective of the training programme was, to build conceptual and practical skills on integrating gender into planning of REDD+ projects, develop skill to conduct gender analysis, and to identify additional capacity needs of participants for gender integrating planning.

Sh. S. D. Sharma, DDG (Research), Dr. Vimal Kothiyal, ADG (Research and Planning), Dr. V. R. S. Rawat, Expert Consultant REDD+, ICFRE, Dr. Raman Nautiyal, Head Statistics Cell, Dr, Shamila Kaliya, ADG (Media and Extension), Dr. A.N. Singh, Scientist, Environment Management Divison, were present during the Inaugural session of the training programme. Dr. R. S. Rawat. Scientist Incharge welcomed all the distinguished guest in the Training. In his welcome address he gave the brief outline of the training programme. He highlighted the importance of integrating gender into planning and implementation of the Projects. The seminar was inaugurated by Sh. S. D. Sharma, DDG (Research), in his inaugural address Sh. S. D. Sharma gave a brief account on country status on the issue of REDD+ and achievements of ICFRE in this field. He asserted on addressing gender issues during planning and implantation of REDD+ projects in the country.

Dr. Ruchi Badola, Senior Scientist from WII, Dehradun, Mrs. Geeta Gairola, Ex. Director, Samakhya Govt. of Uttarakhand, Dr. V.R. S. Rawat, Expert Consultant REDD+, Dr. Nivedita Thapliyal, Consultant ESIP and Dr. Sanjay Singh made deliberations during the training programme. A 'hands-on' group exercise on Gender analytical tools, monitoring and impact assessment was also conducted. Participants from ICFRE, FRI, TFRI and RFRI participated in the training programme

Training programme on REDD+ MRV (Measuring, Reporting and Verification) (23-24 October 2018)

For obtaining and receiving result-based payments from the implementation of REDD+ activites developing countries are required to have i) A National REDD+ Strategy and action plan ii) Forest Reference Emission Level iii) National Forest Monitoring System iv) Safeguard Information System v) Measurement, Reporting and Verifiable result-based actions.

A two day training programme on "**REDD+ MRV** (Measuring, Reporting and Verification" was organized by Biodiversity and Climate Change Division, Directorate of Research, Indian Council of Forest Research and Education at the conference hall of National Forest Library and Information Center on 23-24th October, 2018, for capacity building of the participants on Measuring, Reporting and Verification under REDD+. The objective of the training programme was, to create awareness on MRV for REDD+, and technical assessment Carbon stocks in Forests and Plantations. Sh. S. D. Sharma, DDG (Research), inaugurated the training programme. In his inaugural address he detailed the achievements and leadership role of ICFRE in Climate Negotiations at COP meetings. He presented a brief account on country status on implementation of REDD+ projects. He detailed the importance of capacity building on MRV of REDD+ activities to receive result-based finance from the implementation of REDD+.

Dr. V. R. S. Rawat, Expert Consultant REDD+, ICFRE, Dr, Laxmi Rawat, Scientist (Retd.) FRI Dehradun, Dr. Suresh Kumar, Senior Scientist/Engineer, IIRS, Dr, Prakash Lakhchaura Deputy Director, FSI and Dr. Md Sahid, Carbon Sequestration Consultant, ICFRE, presented deliberations during the training programme. Hands on training for forest carbon stock measurement, sampling and data collection for estimation of forest soil organic carbon and analysis of field data for forest carbon stocks was also provided during the training. Participants from ICFRE, FRI, TFRI and RFRI participated in the training programme

Dr. Savita, Director FRI chaired the Concluding and Valedictory Session, wherein participants shared their views about the training programme. The participants were excited about using the methods in field. They also congratulated the organizers for addressing the issue of gender mainstreaming in forestry sector. Dr. Savita congratulated the organizers for addressing the most relevant topic for REDD+ implementation, while highlighting the importance of gender mainstreaming in Forestry sector, she lauded the efforts made by ICFRE in this direction.

Participants from ICFRE, FRI, TFRI and RFRI participated in the training programme. The training ended with a formal vote of thanks by Dr, Sanjay Singh, Scientist D, Biodiversity and Climate Change Division

