Third Training Workshop on 'National Bamboo Database for the Division Level Users (DFOs) held at FRI, Dehra Dun on 25th August 2015

Bamboo Technical Support Group – Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (BTSG – ICFRE), Dehra Dun has designed and developed the Web Portal / Software on National Bamboo Database as per assignment and requirement of National Agro-forestry & Bamboo Mission (NABM), for collection, collation, retrieval and management of information in the digital format. This web portal is being used by all the State Mission Directors (SMDs) and Division Level Users (DLUs) - Divisional Forest Officers (DFOs) of the country and information on the bamboo resource, in accordance with the forms, is entered in the soft ware.

Under this project the third One Day's Training Workshop on 'National Bamboo Database for the DLUs was organized by the BTSG – ICFRE in the Computer Lab of FRI (Deemed) University, Dehra Dun on 25th August 2015. In which 25 officials including 15 DFOs from the states of Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh participated. DLUs of Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh and Punjab could not make to this event. The software/web portal has been up dated by incorporating suggestions/recommendations/shortcomings received during first Training Workshop held earlier at New Delhi on 01.07.2015 and Second Training Workshop held at Bhopal on 11.08.2015.

For the convenience of participants the training workshop was divided into following sessions:

Session – 1:

- Welcome address by Dr. G.S. Goraya, DDG (R), ICFRE cum Project Leader BTSG-ICFRE, Dehra Dun.
- Opening remarks by Dr. Vimal Kothiyal, ADG (RP), ICFRE, Dehra Dun.

Session – 2:

➤ Presentation by Dr. Vimal Kothiyal, ADG (RP), ICFRE / BTSG — ICFRE, Dehra Dun on Web Portal / Database (basic information flow and structure)

Session – 3:

➤ Presentation on web portal of National Bamboo Database (working of Web portal/database functioning and Data Entry Formats) by Shri Sudhir Kumar, Consultant, (Bamboo Web Portal) BTSG – ICFRE, Dehra Dun.

Session - 4:

> Training Session on Web Portal /Database by Dr. Vimal Kothiyal and Shri Sudhir Kumar

Session - 5

Question hour Session

After a brief formal introduction of participants and hosts, Dr. Vimal Kothiyal started the proceedings of the day; he welcomed the participants and apprised them about the stages covered so far in designing and developing this web portal/database. Dr. Kothiyal then invited Dr. G.S. Goraya, DDG (R) and Project Leader BTSG – ICFRE to acquaint the participant with the salient features of this software.

Dr. Kothiyal demonstrated the subject through a Power Point Presentation on the web portal/software and participants were informed that bamboo resource information of the whole Division/State/Country irrespective of schemes and funding agencies has to be included in the forms. Dr. Kothiyal explained the **three tiered** structure of the software:

BTSG – ICFRE & NBM (Administrators)

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State Mission Directors (SMDs)

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Division Level Users (DFOs)

Shri Sudhir Kumar, Consultant (Bamboo Web Portal) under BTSG — ICFRE also made a PowerPoint presentation on functioning of web portal and data input into the software. One by one he displayed all formats for discussion on point to point basis. Shri Sudhir Kumar advised the DLUs to use the latest version of Mozilla Firefox and Chrome for operating this web portal.

This was followed by an extensive hands - on training session, which proved to be quite useful as participating DLUs took keen interest in general operation of software, creation of division level IDs, filling up of formats, using correct units, forwarding filled in formats to the SMDs, correction of data, etc. Dr. Kothiyal and Shri Sudhir Kumar imparted this training to the DLUs on individual basis.

The training workshop was supported by Dr. Shamila Kalia, Scientist-F, RP Division, ICFRE, Shri SS Jain, Consultant (Bamboo Plantation), Shri A.D. Dobhal, Consultant (Bamboo Handicraft/Marketing) and Dr. Danish Shahab, Research Associate, RP Division.

Photographs of the third Training Workshop on 'National Bamboo Database for the Division Level Users (DFOs) held at FRI, Dehra Dun on 25th August 2015

































