VISIT OF WINTER SCHOOL TRAINEES TO RFRI, **JORHAT**

A team comprising of three teachers and twenty trainees who have been attending a Winter School on 'Advances in Organic Production System and Conservation Agriculture' organised by Department of Agronomy at Assam Agricultural University, Jorhat (Assam) visited Rain Forest Research Institute, Jorhat (Assam) on 4th October, 2015. The team included Dr. N. N. Sarma, Professor and Head, Department of Agronomy, AAU, Jorhat, Dr. J. Goswami and Dr. R. Thakuria, Professors of the same Department, Associate/Assistant Professors from State Agricultural Universities of Bihar, Jammu & Kashmir, Haryana, Maharashtra, Scientist from NRC on Mithun, West Bengal, Medziphema, Nagaland apart from internal candidates of Assam Agricultural University.

Sri R. K. Kalita, Head, Forestry Extension Division welcomed the team and briefed about various research and development activities of the Institute. The team visited bambusetum, bamboo germplasm bank and bamboo nursery. The team was apprised about various propagation techniques such as culm cutting, branch cutting, hormonal treatments, nursery management practices etc. The team appreciated the efforts of the Institute on conservation activities of bamboo.

The team visited Bamboo Composite Center and witnessed the bamboo value addition activities of the Institute. They inspected the bamboo treatment plant, machineries required for bamboo handicraft making and bamboo charcoal production unit.

















