

# United States Forest Service delegation visits ICFRE

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A three member delegation of United States Forest Service (USFS) led by Dr. Toral Patel-Weynand, Senior Advisor, Bioclimatology visited Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE) on June 10 to discuss possible areas of collaborative research in the field of forests and climate change.

Dr. V.K. Bahuguna, Director General of ICFRE alongwith the Officers and Scientists of the Council and the Forest Research Institute (FRI) had an interactive session with the members of the delegation in the Board Room of the FRI.

A brief presentation was made highlighting the various research activities of the Council.

The USFS delegation discussed various research



activities undertaken by the USFS, and showed a keen interest for future collaboration with ICFRE on forests and climate change studies. The areas discussed and identified for

collaboration include inventorization and monitoring of forests carbon stocks, forest ecosystem based research and assessments, modeling and projections to understand cli-

mate change impact and adaptation needs in the forestry sector, livelihood issues, frontier research in genetics and tree improvement, and capacity building initiatives.