



ICFRE-INSTITUTE OF FOREST BIODIVERSITY, HYDERABAD

Report on Visit of BSc- Agriculture students from School of Agricultural Sciences (SOAS), Malla Reddy University, Hyderabad, to ICFRE-IFB, Hyderabad on 11-06-2024.

ICFRE-Institute of Forest Biodiversity organized a half-day interaction session for BSc-02nd year, A-Section, Agriculture students from School of Agricultural Sciences (SOAS), Malla Reddy University, Hyderabad, Telangana as a part of their Forestry Extension curriculum. A total of 46 students have been participated along with two faculty of SOAS, MRU, Hyderabad on 11.06.2024.

Shri E. Venkat Reddy, IFS, Director of ICFRE-IFB, Hyderabad, shared his perspectives on various aspects of biodiversity, the threats it faces, and the future of biodiversity conservation. He emphasized the importance of green credit for sustainable development and discussed key forest laws, environmental issues, climate change, and initiatives to maintain ecological balance.

Smt. Bharati Patel, Scientist-C, gave an overview of “Building Resilience through Ecosystem Services in the Management of Landscapes.” Her presentation covered critical topics such as ecological systems, knowledge gaps, structure-based indicator approaches, biodiversity functions, ecosystem resilience, and conservation strategies in human-dominated landscapes. She also discussed the implications of biodiversity functions within Indian landscapes, the sustainable development goals, the UN Factsheet 2022, and issues related to resource exploitation and lifestyle, offering potential solutions.

The session concluded with a biodiversity walk led by the institute's technical staff, aimed at raising awareness about biodiversity conservation and identifying local flora within and around the ICFRE-IFB campus. The walk included visits to nurseries, field experiment sites, and various laboratories, such as the Soil, Entomology, and Non-Timber Forest Products (NTFP) Research Laboratories.

The entire program was coordinated by the Extension Division Team of ICFRE-IFB, Hyderabad.



Glimpses of the Program

