## IFS PROBATIONERS VISIT TO ICFRE-IFGTB, COIMBATORE ON 04.12.2024

ICFRE-IFGTB organized exposure to 60 IFS Probationers of 2023-2025 batch on 03.12.2024. Dr. C. Kunhikannan, Director, ICFRE-IFGTB welcomed the Officer trainees and briefed about the achievements of ICFRE-IFGTB in different areas of forestry research. Dr. B. Nagarajan, GCR, ICFRE-IFGTB gave an overview about the ICFRE-IFGTB research and extension activities. He highlighted about the productive clonal releases by ICFRE-IFGTB, TreeGenie App, Pest calendar, role of VVK, VVK-KVK networking, TGM and other extension strategies.

As a part of the visit, the IFS Probationers visited Tissue Culture lab of ICFRE-IFGTB, wherein Dr.Rekha Warrier, Scientist G explained in detail the Tissue culture techniques and clonal propagation. They were given basic knowledge on micro-propagation, methods involved in these techniques. Also, informed about the protocols developed by ICFRE-IFGTB for species including Bamboo, Teak, etc. They were also exposed to TC-Teak plants, its multiplication in large scale by using micro-propagation technique. The Officers also visited Vegetative Multiplication Garden and Shri. R. Velumani, Technical Officer explained in detail the research activities carried out at Clonal nursery. Dr. S. Saravanan, explained the IFS Probationers about the TreeGenie mobile app and its features. He also explained in detail about the installation and demonstration of the app.



Director, ICFRE-IFGTB during his address



Dr.Rekha, Scientist G explaining about the Tissue Culture techniques



Dr.S.Saravanan, Head, Extension while explaining about TreeGenie Mobile App



Officers visit in Clonal nursery of ICFRE-IFGTB