

## **134th Birth Anniversary Celebration of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar on 22.04.2025**

The ICFRE-Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding (ICFRE-IFGTB), Coimbatore, celebrated the 134th Birth Anniversary of Bharat Ratna Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, the Father of the Indian Constitution, on 22nd April 2025 at the IFGTB Auditorium. The event began at 4:00 pm with the rendition of *Tamil Thai Vazhthu*, followed by a floral tribute to Dr. Ambedkar's portrait by Dr. R. Yasodha, Director of ICFRE-IFGTB, who presided over the function. A visual presentation highlighting key moments of Dr. Ambedkar's day celebration in ICFRE-IFGTB screened for the audience. Dr. B. Nagarajan, Group Coordinator (Research), delivered the inaugural address and provided an overview of IFGTB's various initiatives over the past 14 years to commemorate Ambedkar Jayanti. The chief guest, Prof. Dr. Arasa Murugu Pandian (Retd.), former Head of the Department of Commerce at TBML College, Porayar, delivered an insightful keynote address on the topic "Dr. B.R. Ambedkar: The Architect of Modern India," sharing both personal reflections and scholarly perspectives. This was followed by a brief interactive question-and-answer session. Dr. D. Rajasugunasekar, Scientist-G, shared his reflections on the theme of the event and delivered a thought-provoking address that resonated with the audience. Dr. R. Yasodha felicitated the chief guest and delivered her concluding remarks. The program was anchored by Mr. R. Velumani, Technical Officer, who also delivered the vote of thanks. The event was attended by all the ICFRE-IFGTB staff and reflected a collective spirit of reverence for Dr. Ambedkar's enduring legacy.



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