

## **RFRI Conducts Scientist-Student Interaction Programme under PRAKRITI PROGRAMME**

**Rain Forest Research Institute, Jorhat (Assam)** conducted a Scientist-Student Interaction Programme at Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Tomtomtola, Sivasagar (Assam) on 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2019 under 'PRAKRITI PROGRAMME'. There was overwhelming response from the Students as well as Teachers of the School. Around 450 students from Class VI to XII participated in the programme.

Shri Ajit Kumar Singh, Principal welcomed the Resource Persons from RFRI, Jorhat and Shri Plaban Bora, Post Graduate Teacher (Biology) introduced the Resource Persons from RFRI, Jorhat to the students.

Shri R. K. Kalita, Scientist E & HoD, Extension Division of RFRI, Jorhat initiated the Programme with a brief presentation on RFRI and also on the PRAKRITI PROGRAMME. He made a presentation on the topic '*Bamboo: A Wonder Plant of 21<sup>st</sup> Century*' to the students and teachers and explained different aspects of bamboo. He mainly put emphasis on importance of bamboo in our economy, product diversity and role of bamboo in poverty alleviation. The students were enthralled to see different innovative products of bamboo and also bamboo seeds.

Another very important topic was covered during the Programme by Shri R. Bhattacharyya, Technical Officer. He explained how 'Waste' can be converted into 'Wealth' through a process called Vermicomposting. He explained various processes of making composting and vermicomposting, advantages of vermicomposting.

**GLIMPSES OF THE PROGRAMME**



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