



Green Skill Development Programme (GSDP)

on

Quality Planting Material Producer

Organized from 03.02.2020 to 13.03.2020 by

ENVIS Resource Partner on Forest Genetic Resources and Tree Improvement

Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding

(Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education)

Coimbatore

Valedictory Function

The ENVIS Resource Partner on Forest Genetic Resources and Tree Improvement at the Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding (IFGTB), Coimbatore has concluded a Green Skill Development Programme (GSDP) on Quality Planting Material Producer (QPMP). This GSDP was organized for a period of 30 working days from 03.02.2020 to 13.03.2020. Dr S. Vigneswaran, Programme Officer, ENVIS welcomed the gathering. A video covering the highlights of the training from day one was screened by ENVIS staff. Dr S. Murugesan, Director, IFGTB in his valedictory address highlighted the importance of quality planting material in increasing the tree cover and enhancing the productivity from unit area. While appreciating the efforts taken by IFGTB ENVIS in implementing three GSDPs during the current financial year, he emphasised need for developing more such programmes. In their feedback, the trainees explained how the certificate course improved their skills and knowledge in the area of quality planting stock production. Techniques like cloning in trees was new to many. They expressed their gratitude to ENVIS for selecting them for the GSDP. Dr Kannan C.S. Warriar, Scientist F, Coordinator ENVIS, Nodal officer GSDP and Training in-charge coordinated the month-long training programme and provided an insight on the various Green Skill Development Programmes of MoEF&CC enabling a large number of Indian youth to take up skill training that will help them in securing a better livelihood. He urged the youth to make use of them depending on their field of interest. During his speech, he thanked ENVIS Secretariat and Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, GoI for sanctioning the course to IFGTB ENVIS. He also expressed his gratitude to all the resource persons including scientists, forest officers, technical and other supporting staff of IFGTB, officials of forest-based industries and banks for their support rendered during the course. The Director awarded certificates to 19 trainees on successful completion of the GSDP on QPMP.

