## Training programmes for unemployed youth

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Coimbatore: The Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding (IFGTB) will conduct free skill development programmes on 'Nursery Management', 'Entomology and Pest Control' and 'Running a Vegetative Propagation Laboratory' between November and March next year. The first event will be 30 days long and the rest 27 and 40 days respectively.

While Nursery Management is open only to class 10 graduates, the other courses are open only to life sciences graduates. Those interested must apply on or before October 15.

Last year, the ministry of environment, forests and climate change had launched green skill development programmes to help unemployed youth become entrepreneurs and job creators rather than job seekers.

According to the ministry, giving youths technical knowledge and training in sustainable development would help the country meet its sustainable development goals, national biodiversity targets and waste management rules. For more information, visit www.gsdp-envis.gov.in/Default3.aspxon or call 0422-2484142.