

**One day training on
“Development of compost out of waste involving tribal for their livelihood support”**

Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding, Coimbatore has organized one day onsite training on **“Capacity building on the development of Tree Rich Biobooster”** for the Malayali tribes in Anamalai range of Anamalai Tiger Reserve, Pollachi (TK), Coimbatore district on 16th September, 2019 at Thammampathy (Tribal village), Coimbatore. The training was organised under the project sponsored by Natural Resource Data Management System (NRDMS-DST), Govt. of India New Delhi. A total of 70 Malayali tribes of **Vinayaga** and **Masani Women Self Help Groups** participated in the training.

Tribes in Thammampathy village traditionally depend on forest for their livelihood support however Anamalai forest was declared as tiger reserve and their dependency on forest has been restricted. Hence, members of WSHGs were given capacity building on the development of Tree Rich Biobooster (TRB). The coconut fibre waste which is the main raw material for the development of TRB is available in plenty in the area. Hence IFGTB provided capacity building on development of TRB and establishment of market channel by which they may get monetary benefit. A detailed demonstration was given to the tribals utilizing the raw materials and municipal wastes necessary for the product development. Various aspects of the development of the bioproduct **“Tree Rich Biobooster”** which included selection of raw materials, processing, compost making, preparation of blocks, and evaluation of their efficacy were demonstrated in detail with all necessary materials.

