ORDER

Director General, ICFRE reviewed the functioning of Centre for Forest Based Livelihood and Extension (CFLE) Agartala, and called for the comments of Director (RFRI).

Director (RFRI) observed that The Memorandum of Understanding is not yet signed by the Forest Department, Government of Tripura (First Party). Tripura Forest Development and Plantation Corporation Ltd. (Second Party) and Rain Forest Research Institute (Third Party) party. However, the CFLE is functioning by deputing a Scientist and Deputy Conservator of Forests, from RFRI and engaging other staff on contractual basis.

Director (RFRI) observed that no research project (ICFRE funded or externally aided projects) are initiated or implemented by the CFLE since its opening besides spending substantial amount. The Director RFRI has further stated that research activities of Tripura can be more effectively managed by team of Scientists of RFRI and recommended for closure of CFLE.

Therefore accepting the recommendations of the Director, RFRI, Jorhat and in supersession to all orders regarding functioning of CFLE, the Director General, ICFRE has decided to close the CFLE with immediate effect. The research activities for Tripura shall be taken care by the RFRI, Jorhat, and the premises of Van Vigyan Kendra of CFLE shall be transferred to Tripura Forest Department.

The Director General, ICFRE has further ordered that Headquarters of Shri P.K. Kaushik, Scientist E and Shri Atanu Saha, DCF shall be at RFRI Jorhat from 1st January, 2015 and has further directed Shri P.K. Kaushik, to wind up CFLE, Agartala, and join his duties at RFRI, Jorhat from 1st January, 2015

(Sudhanshu Gupta)
Secretary, ICFRE

Copy to:

1. The Director, RFRI, Jorhat for information and necessary action.
2. The Regional Director, CFLE, Agartala. It is requested that willingness of Shri Atanu Saha, DCF can be obtained whether he will ready to serve at RFRI, Jorhat.
3. IT Division for uploading this order in the website