

RFRI CONDUCTS AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON BAMBOO CHARCOAL PRODUCTION AND BRIQUETTING

Rain Forest Research Institute, Jorhat (Assam) conducted an Awareness Programme on Bamboo Charcoal Production under the project “*Promoting livelihood by bamboo charcoal production and briquetting to the selected forest fringe villages of Karbi Anglong District, Assam*”, funded by National Mission of Himalayan Studies (NMHS) on 7th January, 2020 at Rongbong ghat, under Nilip Block, Karbi Anglong (Assam). The Programme was attended by about 45 villagers from about 7 villages.

Shri R. K. Kalita, Head, Extension Division, RFRI, Jorhat welcomed the Village Headmen (*Gaonburha*) and other people present. Seven *Gaonburha* were felicitated by traditional *Gamosa*. Dr. R. D. Barthakur, Principal Investigator of the Project spoke about the Project under which the Awareness Programme is being organized. She delivered a power point presentation on ‘*Bamboo Charcoal: An Alternative Source of Livelihood*’. She illustrated different basic information on bamboo charcoal production including charcoal making procedure, processing and marketing.

Shri R. K. Kalita, Head, Extension Division, RFRI, Jorhat gave a detailed presentation on ‘*Bamboo: A Wonder Plant of 21st Century*’. In his presentation, he sensitized the participants on bamboo diversity, utilization, nursery practices, cultivation and management practices. He informed that a team of villagers from the project area would be trained at RFRI, Jorhat under the project.

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