

VISIT OF HIGH LEVEL DELEGATION FROM JAMMU AND KASHMIR GOVERNMENT

A team of high level delegation from Jammu and Kashmir Government along with Officials of North East Cane and Bamboo Development Council, Byrnihat (Assam) visited Rain Forest Research Institute, Jorhat (Assam) on 26th February, 2021. The main objective of visit of the team was to understand various aspects of bamboo development activities of the Institute. The team comprised of the following Officers:

1. Mr. Tariq Ahmad Zargar, Secretary, Department of Industries and Commerce, Govt. of Jammu & Kashmir
2. Mr. Vikas Gupta, Director, Department of Handicraft and Handloom, Govt. of Jammu & Kashmir
3. Mr. Ghulam Rasool, Deputy Director (Adm.), Department of Handicraft and Handloom, Govt. of Jammu & Kashmir
4. Mrs. Megha Baogia, Deputy Director (Plg.), Department of Handicraft and Handloom, Govt. of Jammu & Kashmir
5. Dr. Sailendra Chaudhary, Managing Director, North East Cane and Bamboo Development Council, Byrnihat, Assam
6. Dr. T. C. Bhuyan, Consultant, North East Cane and Bamboo Development Council, Byrnihat, Assam
7. Mr. Milan Bohora, Consultant, North East Cane and Bamboo Development Council, Byrnihat, Assam
8. Ms. Naina Gogoi, Designer, North East Cane and Bamboo Development Council, Byrnihat, Assam

Dr. R. S. C. Jayaraj, Director, RFRI, Jorhat welcomed the team members with traditional *Phulam Gamosa* and *Japi*. He gave a brief presentation on various research and developmental activities of bamboo of the Institute. Mr. Tariq Ahmad Zargar, Secretary, Department of Industries and Commerce, Govt. of Jammu & Kashmir spoke of the occasion and explained the purpose of their visit to Assam and this Institute. He appreciated the tremendous volume work on bamboo done by this Institute. He expected collaboration of work on bamboo between RFRI and Government of Jammu and Kashmir in future. Dr. Sailendra Chaudhary, Managing Director, North East Cane and Bamboo Development Council, Byrnihat, Assam also spoke on the occasion.

The team visited RFRI Bambusetum, Germplasm Collection, Bamboo Tissue Culture Facility, Bamboo Composite Centre, Bamboo Charcoal Unit, Treatment Facility etc. and interacted with scientists and research workers about bamboo. Shri R. K. Kalita, Head, Extension led the team and showed various R & D activities of the Institute.

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