TRAINING ON BAMBOO CHARCOAL PRODUCTION AND BRIQUETTING

Rain Forest Research Institute, Jorhat (Assam) conducted three-day training on 'Bamboo Charcoal Production and Briquetting' under a Project sponsored by National Mission of Himalayan Studies (NMHS) from 11-13 September, 2019. The training was attended by twenty three (23) participants including farmers, entrepreneurs and members of Self Help Groups from Karbi Anglong District of Assam.

The training was inaugurated by Sri Rajesh Kumar, Scientist E and Head, Forest Protection Division. Sri Kumar welcomed the participants and spoke on importance of bamboo in day to day life of people of North East India.

Dr. R. D. Borthakur, Principal Investigator of the Project highlighted the objective of the training programme. Dr. Borthakur imparted a presentation on 'Livelihood Generation by Bamboo Charcoal Production' and illustrated different techniques of charcoal making, briquetting. She sensitized the participants on how bamboo charcoal production can uplift the livelihood of rural masses. The technical session of the training programme included the power point presentations and practical demonstration/ hands on training.

Field visit for the trainees were also organized to visit Nagaland Bamboo Resource Centre, Dimapur to show demonstration of Bamboo Charcoal and Briquetting Unit. Mr. T. Jamir, In charge of the Bamboo Charcoal Production Unit of NBRC demonstrated the entire process of Charcoal making and Briquetting. A short valedictory session was held at NBRC Conference Hall and the session was chaired by Mr. Imkong, In-charge, NBDA. The three days training programme ended with a formal vote of thanks by Dr. R. D. Borthakur, Principal Investigator of the Project.

At the end certificates were distributed to the participants.

## GLIMPSES OF THE TRAINING



