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ICAR- CIARI conducts management techniques on 'Andaman Padauk'



PORT BLAIR, OCT 9/--/ ICAR- CIARI conducted day-long training programme for the executive staff of Department of Environment and Forest on Friday at its Garacharma Research Campus under Department of Biotechnology project. This orientation was with an objective to disseminate the technology on scientific nursery and plantation management in Andaman Padauk of the most important endemic ornamental tree of Andaman and Nicobar Islands

Speaking on the occasion, the chief guest, Shri. M. Rajkumar CCF(T) appreciated the efforts taken by the ICAR-CIARI in addressing the major bottleneck in propagation of padauk in these Islands. He expressed his satisfaction on the contribution made by the CIARI and the scientists in providing technological

support to the department of Environment & Forests and when needed.

Dr. E. B. Chakurkar, Director, ICAR- CIARI in his presidential address placed on record the participation of executive staff across the South and North Andaman acting as an ambassador for CIARI for agroforestry techniques.

Further, he exhorted us to include social activity, introduction of important fruit plants and also fodder material for the livestock so that the ecosystem is balanced.

Dr. I. Jaisankar, Course coordinator dwelt in length on the different aspects of conservation, propagation and popularization of padauk and other related important tree species during the session, followed by field visit to the padauk field and other germplasm conservation block of the

Institute. Dr. Jayakumar Varadan, Scientist informed that the knowledge level of the participant's perceptively increased to the tune of 65% after the training programme from 23%.

A total of 18 executive staff attended the training. At the outset the august gathering was welcomed by Dr. V. Baskaran, Principal Scientist and vote of thanks by Dr. S. K. Zamir Ahmed Principal Scientist

