

## **TRAINING ON BAMBOO CHARCOAL PRODUCTION AND BRIQUETTING**

**Rain Forest Research Institute, Jorhat (Assam)** conducted three-days Training Programme on “Bamboo Charcoal Production and Briquetting” under NMHS project on “*Promoting livelihood by bamboo charcoal production and briquetting to the selected forest fringe villages of Karbi Anglong District, Assam*”, from 22-24 October, 2019. The training Programme was attended by twenty (20) participants including Farmers, Entrepreneurs and members of Self Help Groups from Karbi Anglong District of Assam.

The training programme was inaugurated by Dr. R. K. Borah, Group Coordinator (Research), RFRI. Dr. Borah welcomed the participants with a brief introduction about RFRI and the importance Bamboo Charcoal in recent times in National and International market. Shri R. K. Kalita, Head, Extension Division, and Co-Principal Investigator of the Project, appealed the trainees to take advantage of the opportunity of learning during the training program. He also imparted a power point presentation on the topic ‘Bamboo: A Wonder Plant of 21<sup>st</sup> Century’ to the trainees and explained different aspects of bamboo. He mainly put emphasis on importance of bamboo in our economy, product diversity and role of bamboo in poverty alleviation.

Dr. R. D. Barthakur, Principal Investigator of the Project highlighted the main objective of the training programme. She sensitized the participants with a power point presentation about the optimum utilization of bamboo and also illustrated basic information on bamboo charcoal production including charcoal making procedure, utilization of waste bamboo, processing and marketing of bamboo and how they can earn livelihood by making bamboo charcoal briquette. Mr. Temjen Jamir, Resource Person from Nagaland Bamboo Resource Centre (NBRC), Dimapur appreciated the effort of RFRI to implement the project work at Karbi Anglong. Mr. Jamir imparted hands on training on production and briquetting to the trainees.

The entire training programme was organized and conducted by Dr. R. D. Borthakur, Principal Investigator of the Project.

The three days training ended with formal vote of thanks by Sri R. K. Kalita, Head, Extension Division, and Co-Principal Investigator of the Project. At the end certificates were distributed to the participants.

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