

Press Note

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DST Sponsored training programme for women scientists on 'Climate Change and Carbon Mitigation' inaugurated at ICFRE

In the recent years Climate Change is one of the few issues that have received tremendous global attention. Speaking on the occasion of the inaugural session of the training programme for women scientists on Climate Change and Carbon Mitigation, Shri Omkar Singh, DDG (Education) ICFRE said that climate change is a major challenge for developing countries like India that face large climate variability and are exposed to enhanced risks from climate change. He said India is a mega-biodiversity country and 10th largest forested country in the world. With nearly 2 lakh villages classified as forest fringe villages, there is obviously large dependence of communities on forest resources. Shri Sandeep Tripathi DDG (Research) ICFRE while welcoming the participants informed that ICFRE is proactive in Forest and climate Change related issues at the national and international level and is engaged in the capacity building programmes of the officers of Indian Forest Service and scientists and technologists working in the government sector.

The Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE) Dehra Dun is organizing a five days training course for the women scientists and technologists working in government sector from 06-10 February 2012 on Climate Change and Carbon Mitigation. About 27 women scientists from different scientific organizations of the country are participating in the training programme. The training programme is sponsored by Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India under the **'National Programme for Training of Scientists and Technologists working in Government Sector'** informed Dr. R.S. Rawat, Research Officer at Climate Change division of ICFRE.

Dr. Anita Srivastava conducted the inaugural session, Mr. V.R.S. Rawat of ICFRE proposed the vote of thanks. In the first session Dr. A.K. Gupta of National Institute for Disaster Management, New Delhi delivered lecture on Climate Change and Disaster Management, Shri V.R.S. Rawat from ICFRE spoke of Clean Development Mechanism and procedure for carbon trading projects. Officers and scientist of ICFRE and FRI were present on the occasion.