

**CERTIFICATE COURSE ON “VALUE ADDITION AND MARKETING OF
NTFP/MEDICINAL PLANTS” UNDER GREEN SKILL DEVELOPMENT
PROGRAMME ORGANIZED BY SILVICULTURE & FOREST MANAGEMENT
DIVISION, FOREST RESEARCH INSTITUTE, DEHRADUN**

Forest Research Institute, Dehradun has organized 100 hrs certificate course on “*Value Addition and Marketing of NTFPs/Medicinal Plants*” from 4th February to 19th February, 2019 under Green Skill Development Programme (GSDP), sponsored by Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, New Delhi.

Mrs. Arti Chaudhary, IFS, Head, Silviculture & Forest Management Division, FRI, Dehradun welcomed the participants and emphasized the need of judicious utilization of NTFPs for the development of various value added products. Mrs. Neelu Singh, Scientist-F and Course Director of this training program briefed about the schedule activities of course. Dr. Santan Barthwal, Coordinator ENVIS RP, FRI elucidated about the objectives of the Green Skill Development Program of Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Government of India. During the training, participants underwent the training on different aspects of value addition techniques and marketing of NTFPs. The participants were exposed to laboratories at Centre for Aromatic Plants, Silaqui, Bagwan Gramodyog Samiti and Khadi Gramodyog Village Commission, Dehradun and hands on experience on extraction of essential oils, edible and medicinal fungi, honey bee keeping and agarbatti making were given. Field visits to Patanjali Ayurved Ltd., Haridwar, Sushila Tiwari Herbal Garden, Rishikesh and Green Bio-Tech Pharmacy, Dehradun have also been arranged during the training programme. The different micro financing schemes of National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) to develop small scale industry or entrepreneurship were informed by Mr. Khyati Tanwer, Assistant Manager, NABARD. The panel discussion was held on last day of the training program where the participants also made presentation of the learnings from this certificate course. Certificate of participation in training program was distributed to the participants in the valedictory session held on 19th February, 2019. The participants gave their feedback about the training in which they appreciated the Institute for organizing the training on value addition and marketing of NTFPs/medicinal plants which will be helpful to them in their future enterprises. The training programme ended with the formal vote of thanks by Dr. B.P. Tamta, Scientist -E.





Demonstration & Hands on Training of Value Addition Techniques of NTFPs at different Institutes



Interaction of participants with Director, FRI



Presentation by Participants



Release of Table Calendar on NTFPs



Distribution of certificates