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Report on visit of Sh. Anand Kumar Prabhakar, IFS, DIG (R&T) to ICFRE-HFRI, Shimla

Sh. Anand Kumar Prabhakar, IFS, DIG (R&T), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change was on two days tour to ICFRE- Himalayan Forest Research Institute Shimla on 03.04.2023 to 04.04.2023. Dr. Sandeep Sharma Director-Incharge of the institute welcomed him and briefed about R& D activities of the institute through power point presentation. Thereafter detailed discussion was held regarding achievement of the institute and future research agenda. Sh. Parabhakar also visited Field Research Station Shillaru and monitored the ongoing research activities there and suggested to make more and more awareness about medicinal plants cultivation. He suggested to take more funds from CAMPA for raising nurseries of various forestry species including medicinal plants at all FRS of the institute. He also visited Narkanda Forest to witness status of *Abies pindrow*, *Picea smithiana*, *Prunus cornuta* *Populus* spp, Hill bamboo, etc. During his field visit he was accompanied by Dr. Sandeep Sharma and Dr. Vaneet Jishtu.

On 04.04.2023, he visited Technology Demonstration Centre and Laboratories of the institute and took stock of various ongoing research activities in the laboratories. Director in-charge, HoD, Scientists, Officer In-charge of TDC and different laboratories of research divisions apprised him about ongoing research activities in laboratories and working of different scientific instruments like HPLC, Spectrophotometer, CHN analyzer, Kel Plus Nitrogen Analyzer, Thermal Cyclor, Gel Documentation System, Centrifuge, Starch and Agarose Gel Electrophoretic Unit, Laminar Air Flow, etc. Sh. Prabhakar stressed that more field oriented research should be carried out and it should reach to various stakeholders quickly. He appreciated the research efforts of ICFRE-HFRI and hoped that institute will do more productive research work in future.

Glimpses of Visit



