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Important Dates:**Deadline for Submission of Abstracts** **05/03/2015****Notification of Acceptance** **10/03/ 2015****Deadline for Registration** **12/03/ 2015****Deadline for full paper** **09/03/ 2015****Organizing Secretary:**Sh. Hans Raj Sharma, Scientist - C
ARCBR, Aizawl, Mizoram**How to reach Aizawl:**

Mizoram is a part of North-East India surrounded by the mighty Himalayas, the plains of Bangladesh and hills of Myanmar. Aizawl can be reached by Air through Kolkata/Guwahati. Connected flights are also available from Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai and Hyderabad. The Advanced Research Centre for Bamboo and Rattan (ARCBR) is approximately 35 km away from Lengpui Airport towards Aizawl city. Silchar is the nearest railway station which is 175 km away from Aizawl. The journey (by road) from Silchar to Aizawl takes around 6-8 hrs. Climate is pleasant during March. It is slightly cold and temperature remains between 18° C to 25° C.

Accommodation:

Accommodation is available in the Farmer's Hostel, ARCBR, Aizawl which can be arranged for research scholars or craftsmen on first come first served basis. Participants will have to bear the accommodation charges @ Rs.500-1000/day at Govt. Tourist Lodge/ Guest House, Mizoram University, Aizawl. For accommodation enquiries, requests may be sent to **Shri. H. R. Bora**, either by post or email at borahr@icfre.org

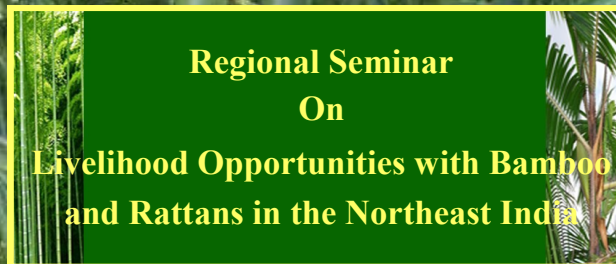
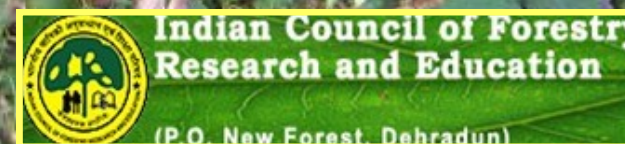
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**Regional Seminar
On****Livelihood Opportunities with Bamboo
and Rattans in the Northeast India****13 March, 2015****Organized By****Advanced Research Centre for Bamboo and
Rattan, Aizawl-Mizoram****(A unit of Rain Forest Research Institute, Jorhat Assam)****Sponsored By**

ABOUT THE SEMINAR:

North-east India is the home of over 70 species of Bamboo and 20 species of Rattan. Since times immemorial, Bamboos and Rattans have been part and parcel of the day to day life and culture of this region. Not only that they provide shelter, food, furniture and storage of food and water and other valuable household items, They are also an indispensable element of the rich north-eastern culture and tradition.

In the present era, many industries based on bamboo and rattans e.g. agarbatti sticks, mat ply, furniture, handicrafts, bamboo charcoal, bamboo vinegar etc have opened up new vistas for upliftment of the livelihood of rural poor. This has lead into increased demand of raw material at the local tenets itself thus providing new opportunities for rural communities to increase the productivity of bamboos and rattans from their home gardens, jhum lands and plantation areas.

The Advanced Research Centre for Bamboo and Rattan, Aizawl is organizing this regional seminar with the aim to bring together Scientists, Foresters and other Stakeholders of this region to ponder upon various issues and opportunities so as to make this sector play its role in the socio-economic upliftment of this region.

We consider it a privilege to extend you a warm invitation for your active participation in this Seminar. We sincerely hope that your participation would help effectively address the topical issues of Bamboo and Rattan.

Chairman, Organizing Committee & Director, RFRI

THEMES OF SEMIANAR:

The key themes for deliberations during the seminar are:

- North-east bamboo and rattan resource productivity.
- Bamboo and Rattan resources of NE region.
- Bamboo and rattan propagation and plantations.
- Diseases, pest and postharvest technology
- Bamboo and rattan based livelihood opportunities
- Bamboo and rattan trade, , marketing and policy issues.

ABSTRACTS AND FULL PAPERS:

Abstracts and papers are invited for the themes indentified for the seminar. Abstracts should not exceed more than 250 words excluding a concise title, names and addresses of the authors, neatly typed on A4 size paper (MS word, 1.5 spacing, Times New Roman Font and Size 12). Abstracts can also be sent through e-mail to following addresses: arcbrmz@gmail.com, hansraj@icfre.org, yadavs@icfre.org

REGISTRATION:

Registration form duly filled-in should be sent to the Organizing Secretary. The registration fee (on or before 13/03/2015):

For Scientists, Foresters and Academicians is Rs. 1000/-

For Research Scholars and Students is Rs. 500/-

The fee may be paid in cash or deposited through Bank Draft made in favour of Head, Advanced Research Centre for Bamboo and Rattan (ARCBR) payable at Aizawl. Registration fee may also be deposited electronically:

Name of Bank: State Bank of India, Dawrpui, Aizawl, Mizoram

IFSC code: SBIN0004809

SB Account number: 30867886577

There is no registration fee for ICFRE employee and supporting organizations.

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