

DG ICFRE called on Mr. Lal Thanhawala, Chief Minister of Mizoram

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Dr. Suresh Gairola, Director General India Council of Forestry Research and Education, (ICFRE) Dehradun called on Chief Minister of Mizoram Mr. Lal Thanhawla on 18th May 2018 and apprised him with the various activities of the Forestry Research Centre for Bamboo and Rattan, Aizawl, one of the Research Centre of the ICFRE under Rain Forest Research Institute Jorhat. Forestry research issue of the state of Mizoram including the poverty alleviation and income generating activities through forestry activities for the communities were also discussed.

Dr. Gairola informed the Chief Minister about the ICFRE's endeavour to set up region forestry research priorities for the for the North Eastern region and especially for the state of Mizoram. Bamboo is the priority species for the state of Mizoram and Forest Research Centre for Bamboos and Rattans (FRC-BR) through Rain Forest Research Institute Jorhat will be further strengthened to gear up with the new Research and development work on Bamboos.

Dr. Gairola also apprised the Chief Minister about various governments of India programmes and initiatives for increasing farmers income through promotion of Bamboo. A value chain needs to be developed for achieving optimal bamboo potential of the state. ICFRE and state of Mizoram should join hands in strengthening the FRC-BR at Aizawl. Dr. Gairola said that ICFRE is in the process of strengthening the FRC-BR in Aizawl

Dr. Gairola is on three days visit to the state of Mizoram to review the research activities of the FRC-BR Aizawl. Pu Lalramthanga, Principal Chief Conservator of Forest and HOFF, Mizoram who is also Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister, Dr. RSC Jairaj Director RFRI, Jorhat, Mr. VRS Rawat, ADG (BCC) ICFRE, and Mr. M.Z. Singson Head FRC-BR Aizawl were also present during the meeting.



