PARTICIPATION OF RFRI IN BAMBOO ARTISAN CONCLAVE-2019 AT DUMKA. **JHARKHAND**

Rain Forest Research Institute, Jorhat (Assam) participated in the Bamboo Artisan Conclave-2019 held at Dumka, Jharkhand, organized by Government of Jharkhand during 18-19 September, 2019. The Conclave was focused on promoting investment in bamboo sector and development of socio-economic parameters of rural tribal population of the state. The main objectives of the Conclave are to create awareness about the potential & opportunities of different business models in the bamboo sector amongst the target stakeholder group, to highlight major issues & challenges to investors community, policy makers and Government agencies regarding utilization of bamboo in various industrialized applications, to showcase tribal cultural bamboo products and develop market for these tribal bamboo artisans, to showcase the present & potential technological advancement in bamboo sector, market development and financial support to bamboo projects in the state and role of bamboo in energy/Bio-circular Economy.

A team led by Shri R. K. Kalita, Scientist E & HoD, Extension Division represented and showcased the research and development activities of the Institute in the Conclave. Other members of the team were Shri Bibhuti Deka, Sr. Technical Officer and Shri N. C. Das, Technical Officer. RFRI installed a Stall in the Exhibition Hall. Thousands of people visited the RFRI Stall during the two days extravaganza on bamboo including Mrs. Louise Marandi, Minister, Jharkhand; Shri K. Ravi Kumar, IAS, Secretary, Department of Industries, Jharkhand.

Shri R. K. Kalita, Scientist E & HoD, Extension Division participated in the Seminar held on the occasion and delivered a presentation on 'Bamboo for Livelihood Generation'.





































