





One day training programme on

"Cultivation techniques of Commercially Important Tree Species"

Date: 14.08.2024

Venue: KVK Pongalur, Tiruppur District

(Networking of VVK-KVK)

ICFRE -Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding, Coimbatore

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KVK, Pongalur, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University

ICFRE-Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding, Coimbatore and the Directorate of Extension Education, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore had signed a Memorandum of Understanding on 11.12.2023 to promote extension activities through conducting theme based trainings to various stakeholders, establishment of demo plots with improved clones/varieties of tree species and keeping ICFRE-IFGTB technologies and products in the KVKs for wider reach. This MoU was signed under VVK-KVK networking. As follow up to the work plan; Van Vigyan Kendra (VVK), Coimbatore of ICFRE-IFGTB in collaboration with ICAR-KVK, Pongalur organized one day training program on "Cultivation techniques of Commercially Important Tree Species" on 14.08.2024. During the training programme, 50 farmers were participated from Tiruppur district.

In the inaugural session, Dr. P. A. Saravanan, Program Co-ordinator, KVK Pongalur, welcomed the gathering. Dr. S. Saravanan, Head, Extension, ICFRE-IFGTB highlighted the technologies of ICFRE-IFGTB in plantation technology and the role of KVK officials in transferring scientific research results to the end users especially farmers. Shri. G. R. Madhavaraj, IFS, DCF, ICFRE-IFGTB gave an overview of the

training module and the schedule. Dr. P. Rajendran, Professor, KVK Pongalur

briefed the role of KVK & VVK Networking where-in he emphasized the need of

VVKs and KVKs working together for better reach of tree cultivation techniques,

blending forestry and agriculture to strengthen and magnifying the dissemination of

technologies to various stakeholders. The inaugural session ended with vote of

thanks by Dr. A. Thukkaiyannan, Associate Professor, KVK, Pongalur.

A training manual on the theme developed by ICFRE-IFGTB, Coimbatore on

"Cultivation techniques of Commercially Important Tree Species" was released

during the program and distributed to the farmers. Also, ICFRE-IFGTB, Coimbatore

handed over extension materials on various tree cultivation techniques of important

tree species to KVK, Pongalur for the benefit of farmers who visit their centre.

Technical session on Tree cultivation techniques of TC Teak, Casuarina, Red

Sanders, Melia and Wind Break Casuarina Clones was delivered by Dr. S.

Saravanan, Head, Extension, ICFRE-IFGTB. He also explained the key

functionalities of the TreeGenie Mobile Application, developed by ICFRE-IFGTB.

Cultivation techniques of Sandal & Mahogany was delivered by Dr. P. Rajendran,

Professor, KVK Pongalur to the participants.

Farmers shared their experiences and interacted with the team ICFRE-IFGTB & KVK

Scientists and clarified their doubts during the training. The training programme

ended with vote of thanks by Dr. Dr. P. Rajendran, Professor, KVK, Pongalur to the

organizers and the participants for their active participation.

This training was organized under CAMPA-Extension.

DIRECTOR

ICFRE-IFGTB



Dr. P. A. Saravanan, Program Co-ordinator, KVK Pongalur during his welcome address



Dr. S. Saravanan, Head, Extension, ICFRE-IFGTB during his address



Handing over of Tree Cultivation technique posters to KVK, Pongalur



Release of Training Manual



Participants Registration



Participants observing our ICFRE-IFGTB Clones



Participants viewing the training manual & posters



Dr.S.Saravanan, Head, Extension,ICFRE-IFGTB during his technical session



Dr P. Rajendran, Professor, KVK, Pongalur during his technical session





Farmers interaction during the training