

ICFRE-INSTITUTE OF FOREST BIODIVERSITY, HYDERABAD

Report on the Visit of BSc- Agriculture students from School of Agricultural Sciences (SOAS), Malla Reddy University, Hyderabad, to ICFRE-Institute of Forest Biodiversity, Hyderabad on June 20, 2024.

ICFRE-Institute of Forest Biodiversity organized a half-day interaction session for BSc-02nd year, B-Section, Agriculture students from School of Agricultural Sciences (SOAS), Malla Reddy University, Hyderabad, Telangana as a part of their Forestry Extension curriculum. A total of 51 students have been participated along with two faculty of SOAS, MRU, Hyderabad on 20.06.2024.

Shri M.B. Honnuri, Scientist-C, gave an overview of the on-farm agroforestry trials involving *Wrightia tinctoria* R.Br. and *Gmelina arborea* Roxb. with Sorghum and Red gram. He also discussed agroforestry models, the importance and special features of the trials, agricrops varieties, treatments and replications, results of the pot culture experiment, and the institute's extension activities.

The sessions were followed by a biodiversity walk, conducted by the institute's technical staff, aimed at raising awareness about biodiversity conservation and identifying local flora within and around the ICFRE-IFB campus. The walk included visits to nurseries, field experiment sites, and various laboratories, such as the Soil, Entomology, and Non-Timber Forest Products (NTFP) Research Laboratories.

The overall program was coordinated by the Extension Division Team of ICFRE-IFB, Hyderabad.



Glimpses of the Program











