

## **Training on 'Improved Seed & Nursery Technology' organized by Forest Research Institute, Dehradun from 9<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> September 2013**

One week training on 'Improved Seed and Nursery Technology' for participants from Himachal Pradesh Forest department, Botanical Survey of India, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Botany department, Allahabad University was organized by the Silviculture division of Forest Research Institute from 9<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> September 2013. Dr. Manisha Thapliyal Course director welcomed the participants and gave a detailed outline of the course and said that apart from lectures on tree improvement, seed handling & storage, nursery and planting techniques, disease management, soil fertility management, medicinal plants cultivation, etc. visits had been arranged to the central nursery, seed testing laboratory, bambusetum and botanical garden, seed orchards and medicinal plant garden for practical demonstrations. The training was inaugurated by Dr. Dinesh Kumar, Senior Scientist of Silviculture division. He said that these trainings are very important for disseminating our research findings having practical applicability and also for developing the skills of the staff of SFDs.

During the valedictory function of the training Mrs. Jayshree Ardey Chauhan Head Silviculture division said that since the trainees were from different organizations so designing the course with high utility for all, was appreciable as had been indicated by the participants in their feedback about the course. She awarded the certificates to the trainees and wished that they put the knowledge gained during the training here, to practical use in the field. Raising tall plants, conservation biology of species with recalcitrant seeds, raising of nursery for ornamental plants, disease management, etc. were found very useful by the trainees. They appreciated the entire training module and the hospitality extended to them by the institute and its staff and also found the visit to the plantations, nurseries, museums, photogallery very enriching.



**Inauguration of the training by Dr. Dinesh Kumar, Scientist F, Silviculture division**



**The participants in classroom discussion and in group**





**Distribution of certificates to participants by Smt. Jayshree Ardey Chauhan,  
Head Silviculture Division**

