



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 18, 2024.

ICFRE-Institute of Forest Biodiversity organized a half-day interaction session for BSc-02nd year, C-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 45 students have been participated along with two faculty of SOAS, MRU, Hyderabad on 18.06.2024.

Shri E. Venkat Reddy, IFS, Director of ICFRE-IFB, Hyderabad, shared his perspectives on various subjects, including biodiversity, agroforestry models, traditional crops, the significance of millets, high-value agricultural crops, and international standards for fruits and vegetables, along with quality initiatives.

Dr. Ruby Patel, Scientist-B, delivered a presentation on "Soil Conservation Practices for Problematic Soils." She discussed the definition of soil, soil formation processes, soil profiles and horizons, the relationship between organic carbon and soil nutrients, nutrient cycling, the soil food web, and related topics.

The program concluded with a biodiversity walk, conducted by the institute's technical staff, aimed at enhancing awareness of biodiversity conservation and identifying local flora

within and around the ICFRE-IFB campus. The walk included visits to nurseries, field experiment sites, and laboratories such as the Soil, Entomology, and NTFP Research Laboratories.

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



Glimpses of the Program

