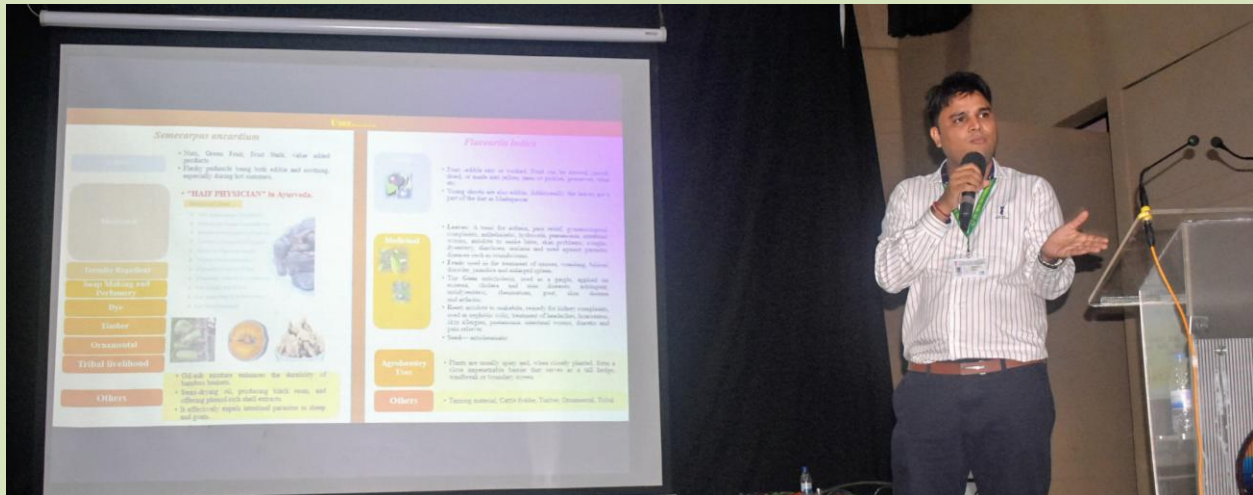


Workshop on “Wild Fruits for Livelihood: Propagation, Conservation & Value Addition” (23/05/2025)



On May 23, 2025, the ICFRE-Tropical Forest Research Institute (TFRI), Jabalpur, in collaboration with the Chhattisgarh State Forest Department, organized a workshop on “Wild Fruits for Livelihood: Propagation, Conservation & Value Addition” at Ramkrishna Mission Auditorium, Narayanpur, Chhattisgarh. The workshop was coordinated by Shri Manish Kumar Vijay, Scientist-C. A total of 53 frontline forest staff participated in this capacity-building initiative, which was conducted under the CAMPA-funded All India Coordinated Research Project on the Conservation and Sustainable Management of Wild Edible Fruiting Species.

The technical sessions featured expert talks by TFRI scientists on a range of topics, including CPT (Candidate Plus Tree) selection for seed collection, vegetative propagation of fruiting species, phytosociological evaluation, and sustainable harvesting and management practices. These sessions were designed to enhance the participants’ skills and understanding of wild fruit species propagation, conservation, and sustainable use.

Dr. H.S. Ginwal, Director, ICFRE-TFRI, appreciated the efforts of the coordinator and the entire organizing team for successfully conducting the workshop in Narayanpur, a region with immense yet underutilized forestry potential. He also encouraged participants to focus on seed quality aspects and the propagation, conservation, and utilization of wild fruits for ecological and livelihood benefits.

The workshop sessions were smoothly moderated by Shri Neeraj Prajapati and Dr. Kaushal Tripathi, with able assistance from Shri Manoj Joshi.

