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TFRI holds exposure tour for co-op secys

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A TWO-DAY exposure tour for secretaries of Indian Farm Forestry Development Co-operative of Bundelkhand region, including Sagar, Tikamgarh and Chhattarpur districts, was conducted at Tropical Forest Research Institute (TFRI).

Dr G Rajeshwar Rao, ARS Director, TFRI interacted with officers and appreciated work of their organisations in the field of forestry. He further assured of working together on developed technologies by TFRI with the Self-Help Groups (SHGs) for livelihood improvement and income generation. Sanju Tripathi, Programme Co-ordinator, briefed about IFFDC's work and added that they have successfully established approx. 6000 hectare of forests involving 30 native and indigenous species viz Neem, Jamun, Sitaphal, Shisham, Teak, Khamer, Babul, Palas, Chironji and Khair since 1998. They also procured Melia dubia variety from Forest Research Institute, Dehradun during 2019 and established successful plantation in the region. She further showed keen inter-



Field visit of IFFDC officers to different agroforestry systems established at TFRI.

est in collaborating with TFRI.

Dr Nanita Berry, Programme Co-ordinator, delivered lecture on 'Agroforestry System for income generation' and co-ordinated demonstration of different agroforestry systems established at TFRI. The officers later visited TFRI museum-cum-interpretation centre and appreciated the demonstrated technologies and displayed bamboo products. They also visited the 'Bambusetum' established with 40 species of bamboos,

Non-timber forest produce garden, vermi compost unit and botanical garden of the institute.