

**Training Programme under NMPB funded project on "Cultivation of Atish, Ban Kakri, Chora and other important Temperate Medicinal plants" held at Bhadarwah, Jammu (J & K): A REPORT  
(22.08.2017)**

Himalayan Forest Research Institute, Shimla organized one day training and demonstration programme under NMPB funded project titled ‘**Cultivation of Atish, Ban Kakri, Chora and other important Temperate Medicinal Plants**’ at Krishi Vigyan Kerdra ( KVK, SKUAST-J), Bhadarwah, Jammu (J &K) on **22.08.2017**. About 45 participants including progressive farmers of Bhadarwah region of Chenab Valley falling in Doda district of Jammu & Kashmir and staff of Bhadarwah Development Board (J&K) participated actively in the training programme. The training was conducted with a view to sensitize farmers and other stakeholders towards medicinal plants cultivation. In the morning, around 30 gardeners of Bhadarwah Development Board (J&K) were specifically trained in the field regarding maintenance of Himalayan medicinal plants and also distributed saplings of Atish, Chora and Mushakbala to be planted in their six herbal gardens established in Bhaderwah region.

**Dr. Sandeep Sharma, Scientist-F and Coordinator** of this training programme welcomed the participants on their arrival to attend the Training and later briefed them about the day’s events. The day's proceedings started with the presentation of **Dr. Pawan Rana, Scientist-D** wherein he highlighted the activities of the institute. After that **Dr. Sandeep Sharma, Scientist-F** presented his work on nursery techniques for raising Atish (*Aconitum heterophyllum*), Chora (*Angelica glauca*) and Kutki (*Picrorhiza kurroa*) and also detailed about the NMPB funded project being implemented by HFRI, Shimla and the activities undertaken in Chenab valley (J&K). He also made detailed presentation on the marketing issues pertaining to medicinal plants, composting and vermi-composting techniques, organic farming etc. Once Dr. Sharma finished, **Dr. Pawan Rana, Scientist-D**, gave a presentation on insect pests of Temperate Ecosystem and their management with particular reference to medicinal plants. **Dr. Ravneet Kour, Scientist Incharge, KVK Doda, SKUAST- J (J&K)** elaborated about the Inter-cultivation of Temperate Medicinal Plants with Horticulture Plantations and related issues of crop diversification etc. She also told the participants that Bhadarwah region is full of high altitude medicinal plants and farmers can be benefited for sure by adopting medicinal plants cultivation owing to suitable climatic conditions of the region. **Dr. Mahital Jamwal, Scientist Incharge, Horticulture Research Station, Bhadarwah, SKUAST (J) (J&K)** made the participants aware of the scope of Medicinal Plants cultivation in Bhadarwah region (J&K) by diversifying existing agricultural / horticultural practices.

In the afternoon session, **Dr. Narinder Paul, SMS, Extension, KVK Doda** talked about the formation of farmers club and requested the club members for initiating such activities on small scale to begin with. **Dr. Sandeep Sharma, Scientist –F** also made detailed presentation on **Modern Nursery Techniques** for the benefit of participants especially covering polyhouse technology. **Dr. GN Jha, Scientist, KVK Doda**, briefed about integration of medicinal plants with fish pond. Thereafter, various field technologies were demonstrated in KVK farm to the trainees by the resource persons. To further benefit the participants, an interactive session amongst the participants and the experts was conducted in the evening. During this session, participants expressed their opinion about medicinal plants cultivation and freely interacted with the resource persons. Relevant queries of the participants pertaining to various issues regarding cultivation of medicinal plants in the field, marketing etc. were duly addressed through expert opinion of the respective resource persons. Saplings of Atish, Chora and Mushakbala were also distributed among the participants to initiate cultivation in the farmer’s field. The event was extensively covered by local print media and FM radio Bhadarwah.

**Vote of Thanks** to the participants and the resource persons as well was extended by **Dr. Ravneet Kour**.

# Glimpses of Training Programme







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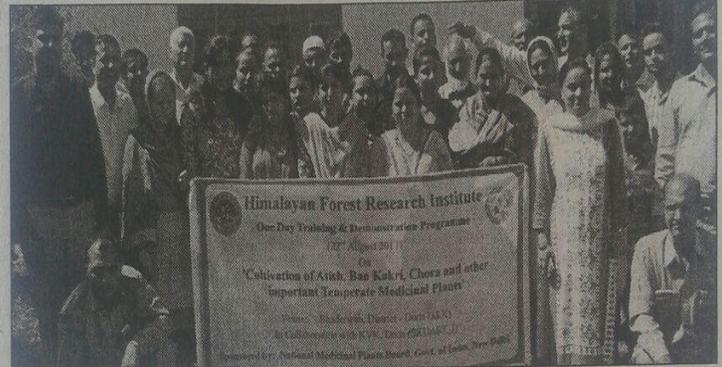
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Dr Pawan Rana, Scientist of the Institute gave detailed presentations on various insect pests of medicinal plants and other temperate crops with their scientific management. Saplings of Atish, Chora and Muskbala were also distributed among the participants to initiate their cultivation. Dr Ravneet Kour, Dr Mahital Jamwal, Dr Narinder Paul and Dr GN Jha from KVK Doda also gave detailed presentations on medicinal wealth of Bhaderwah valley, utilization of available space in apple orchards for cultivation of medicinal plants, involvement of farmers' groups in promotion of medicinal plants in the District and integration of medicinal plants with fish pond respectively to the participants. Various agriculture technologies in KVK Farm were also demonstrated to the participants.