



INFORMATION BROCHURE

Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Government of India Sponsored Training Course on
“AGROFORESTRY IN SUSTAINABLE FARMING AND NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
IN HILLS OF NORTH-WESTERN HIMALAYAS”
12th to 19th October, 2012



Course Director
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**SHER-E-KASHMIR UNIVERSITY
OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES & TECHNOLOGY
DIVISION OF AGROFORESTRY, CHATHA, JAMMU-180 009**

IMPORTANT DATES

LAST DATE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS
INTIMATION TO SELECTED CANDIDATES
CONFIRMATION BY SELECTED CANDIDATES

20-09-2012
28-09-2012
03.10.2012

Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology-Jammu is organizing a training course on '**Agroforestry in sustainable farming and natural resource management in hills of North-Western Himalayas**' for extension personnels from the development departments from the states of Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, and Utrakhand. The Division of Agroforestry, SKUAST-J on behalf of the Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture & Cooperation invites application for the short course to be held w.e.f. 12th to 19th October 2012 at SKUAST-J, Jammu, J&K.

Farming is the pre-dominant occupation in the Himalayan region. Over the centuries, various farming practices have been evolved in this region. However, the modernization of agriculture has led to monoculture, excessive use of fertilizers and pesticides which in turn has caused severe degradation of natural resources. Time has now come to lay stress on sustainable farming and conservation of natural resource base. Agroforestry is a form of agriculture that mimics nature, respects the environment, does not deteriorates the soil. It is a dynamic, ecologically based natural resource management system that, through the integration of trees in farmland diversifies and sustains production levels. Trees play a dominant role in sustaining the crop production by restoring the fertility viz-a- viz, physical properties, increase crop yields and improve the nitrogen and carbon status of the soil. In hills, the trees on the farm also help in protecting the cultivated land from landslides and erosion. The training will consist of presentations from leading experts on issues ranging from principles and concept of agroforestry, choice of trees in agroforestry, their arrangement and management as well as the advantages, and limitations of such land use systems.

Objectives

- To acquaint the participants about the concepts of sustainability and natural resource management
- Principles and practices of agroforestry in the Himalayan region
- Scope of new agroforestry models for improving productivity and sustainability in the North-western Himalayan region

Major portion of the training course will include lecture presentations. It will also adopt a modality that will promote a learning platform of exchange where participants will be encouraged to share their practical and local experiences as well as problems encountered in their respective areas.

Participants: For the course, 20 participants from the three states of J&K, H.P. and Utrakhand will be selected.

How to Apply: The interested candidates may send their nomination through proper channel on the prescribed application format to the course director. The last date for receipt of the application form is August 24th 2012. The selected candidates will be informed through email.

How to Reach: Jammu is well connected to all parts of the country by air, rail and road. The Main campus of SKUAST-Jammu is located at Chatha 5 km from air port, 10km from railway station and 12 km from general bus stand. Taxi/minibus services are frequently available from all places to reach the campus at Chatha.

Boarding and Lodging: Expenditure on board and lodging is to be incurred by the institute as per the prescribed rates. Only the participants/guests speakers are entitled to avail.

Travelling allowances: Travelling expenses shall be reimbursed to the participants on the basis of rail fare only as per entitlement of the official on the production of receipt/tickets in support of his/her claim. In case of non-availability of normal reservation, the reimbursement of the tatkal reservation charges may also be allowed.

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APPLICATION FORM FOR MODEL TRAINING COURSE (MTC)

“Agroforestry in sustainable farming and natural resource management in hills of North-Western Himalayas” (October, 12-19, 2012)

- 1. Name:
- 2. Date of birth:
- 3. Affiliation:
- 4. Address with phone/fax/e-mail, etc.
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Ph.Off:.....Fax:.....

Resi:e mail.....

5. Educational qualifications: (Starting from higher degree)

Degree	University/Institute	Year	Div./ Percentage	Subjects

- 6. Experience
 - a. Professional:
 - b. Computers:

7. Details of other trainings attended in the field, if any:
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8. Proposed/expected utilization of knowledge acquired in this Training...
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9. Signature of the Applicant:

10. Recommendations of the Head of the Deptt./ Institution with Signature and Seal.

Signature:

Designation:

Address:

Date :

Place:

Note: Application can be downloaded from the University website (<http://www.skuast.org>)