

Celebration of World Bamboo Day



World Bamboo Day is celebrated on 18th September every year all over the world. It is celebrated to raise awareness of the benefits of bamboo and to promote its use in everyday products. On this occasion, a plantation of different species of bamboos was carried out by Tropical Forest Research Institute, Jabalpur. The species planted were *Melocalamus compactiflorus*, *Schizostachyum dullooa*, *Bambusa pseudopallida*, *Ochlandra travancorica* etc. The plantation was carried out in the Bambusetum which is being newly developed at the institute. Group Coordinator Research Dr. M. Kundu, HOD, Genetics and Tree Improvement Division Dr. Fatima Shirin, HOD, Forest Ecology and Climate Change Division, Dr. Avinash Jain, other Senior Scientists, Officers, Research scholars and other staff members of the Institute participated in the plantation program. On this occasion a photography contest was also organized on two themes : Bamboo in nature and value addition in bamboo for different category of participants. Participants from Odisha, Assam, Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh participated in the event.