

Newsletter for the Month of October 2020
Institute of Wood Science & Technology, Bengaluru

1. Significant Research Findings: Nil

2. Publications:

- Shukla S.R., M. Varghese, P.G. Surajand R. Kamalakannan (2020) Performance Comparison of Four-year-old Trees of Two Short-rotation Species Modified by High Temperature Thermal Process For Producing Furniture Artifacts. Indian Forester, 146 (9):821-832, DOI: 10.36808/if/2020/v146i9/151093

3. Consultancies: Nil

4. Tree Growers Mela /Kisan Mela / Trade fairs:

Institute	Participated	Duration	Place

5. Visit abroad: Nil

6. Meetings Organized:

Sl. No	Topic	Duration	No. of participants	Beneficiaries
1	Virtual workshop on 'Clonal Propagation of Tree Species' organized by Mrs. Tresa Hemalton and Dr. N. Ravi, SFM division, IWST	7.10.2020.	105	PCCFs and officers from SFDs, researchers from various institutes including ICFRE institutes, Agricultural universities, SFRIs etc.
2.	Integrated pest and disease management	22.10.2020	39	ICFRE scientists and technical officers

7. Meeting / Workshops Attended: Nil

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a) Training Programs Organized:

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b) Training Programs Attended: Nil

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8. Rajbhasha News: Nil**9. Visit of Dignitaries: Nil****10. Popularizing forestry through Radio/TV etc.: Nil****11. Awards: Nil****12. Miscellaneous:**

- MoU between ICFRE and Goa Forest Departments for developing synergy in forestry research, education and extension activities has been signed by Director, IWST on behalf of ICFRE and PCCF, Goa.
- One provisional patent on “Eco-friendly treatment for colour and durability of natural fibers and products” has been filed on 23.10.2020
- The institute was part of the training program on the topic “Master Class on Bamboo” organized by CGBMT, BSI, WBO and AAAD on 17 October 2020. Mrs. C.N. Vani, ACTO delivered a lecture on ‘Preservative Treatment of Bamboo’.
- The institute was part of the BIS webinar on “Doors, Windows and Their Hardware held on 21 October 2020.

- Dr. K. K. Pandey, Scientist G participated in online eleventh meeting of the Ozone Research Managers (ORM11) of the parties to the Vienna Convention for the protection of the ozone layer held on 7 and 8 October 2020. The meeting was organized by Ozone Secretariat, UN Environment, Nairobi, Kenya
- Sh. R. Raja Rishi, Scientist-D has given a report on “Pest infestation in Mumbai’s mangrove is determined by rain depth: assault highest alongside MMR: Study affords option - Mumbai information” published in a popular article The Greater India: Hindustan Times on 19.10.2020 in Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- Dr. A. Muthukumar, Scientist-E participated in Forest Geo seminar series (Fungi and Tree Diversity) organized by Smith Sonian Institute on 21/10/2020.
- Dr. A. Muthukumar, Scientist-E executed field visits / attended meetings correspondingly on 07/10/2020, 09/10/2020, 14/10/2020, 22/10/2020, 28/10/2020 and 29/10/2020 as expert member in Tree Expert Committee of Govt. of Karnataka)
- Test report of one wood sample for identification was sent to the concerned department/party.
- .Vigilance awareness week 2020 was observed from 27 October 2020 to 2 Nov 2020. Integrity pledge was taken by the employees. Elocution and poster presentation competitions on the topic “Vigilant India, Prosperous India” were conducted for the employees.
- Rastriya Ekta Diwas was observed and pledge taken by employees on 31 October 2020.

13. Staff News: Nil