

Newsletter for the Month of July2020

Institute of Wood Science & Technology, Bengaluru

1. Significant Research Findings: Nil

2. Publications: Nil

3. Consultancies:

- Dr. A. Muthukumar, Scientist-F submitted Inspection report on Health assessment of Trees on road side and Park as Advisory Consultancy Report to LWORA, White Field, Bangalore

4. Tree Growers Mela/KisanMela/ Trade fairs:Nil

Institute	Participated	Duration	Place

5. Visit abroad: Nil

6. Meetings Organized: Nil

Sl. No	Topic	Duration	No. of participants	Beneficiaries

7. Meeting / Workshops Attended:

Sl. No	Topic	Duration	No. of participants	Beneficiaries

a) Training ProgramsOrganized: Nil

Sl.	Topic	Duration	No. of	Beneficiaries
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No			participants	
1.	A webinar on Furniture: Trade, Testing & Certification.	29 July 2020	56	Wood based Industries, Researchers (ICFRE & other organisations)

b) Training Programs Attended: Nil

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1	Attended webinar on “Recent developments in plant pathogen detection, discovery and diagnostics for deploying effective managements against emerging diseases Confirmation” organized by Phytopathological Society	14 July 2020	1	
2	Participated in the Webinar on “Ply Reporter e-Conclave -1 on Agro-Forestry and Future of Wood Panel Industry- Sustainable Timber for Panel and Furniture” Powered by ‘TRUBOND’ – Specially Resin Systems	18-19 July 2020	1	
3	Attended a Webinar on “Architecture with Wood in India” conducted by Canadian Wood	24 July 2020	1	
4	Attended webinar on “Conservation of Mangrove Ecosystem” organised by CAS in Marine Biology, Faculty of Marine Sciences, Annamalai University	25- 26 July 2020	1	
5	Participated in the FO Webinar Series COVID-19 “Forest invasive species – the next global pandemic?” Organized by Food And Agriculture Organization of the United Nations	29 July 2020	1	
6	Attended Webinar on “Construction using Bamboo	30 July 2020	6	

	Building Material”organized by National Bamboo Mission (NBM)			
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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:

- A Contract Research Agreement was signed on 30th July 2020 with M/s. WIPRO Ltd., Bangalore to jointly carry out a project entitled “Development and standardization of non-destructive method for detection of anomalies using ultrasonic techniques in redwood”
- Dr. S.S. Chauhan attended online M.Tech. Dissertation Seminar of Mr. Darshan Gowda (NDRI, Bangalore) entitled “Optimization of poly lactic acid based biodegradable composites for injection moulding and their evaluation” on 25th July 2020 as Advisory Committee Member.
- Dr. A. Muthukumar, Scientist-F prepared input/report as per the formats related to “Study on feasibility of transplantation of trees while developing infrastructure projects”
- Test reports of 6 wood samples for identification, 2 samples for moisture and 4 samples for density, were sent to the concerned department/parties

13. Staff News:

Promotion:

- Sri. Jean Simon, STA was promoted to Technical Officer w.e.f 14-07-2020
- Smt. Latha Narayanan, LDC was promoted to UDC w.e.f 14-07-2020
- Sri. M. Prashanth, MTS was promoted to Technician w.e.f 14-07-2020

Retirement:

- Sri V. Siddaiah, MTS retired on VRS w.e.f the forenoon of 01-07-2020