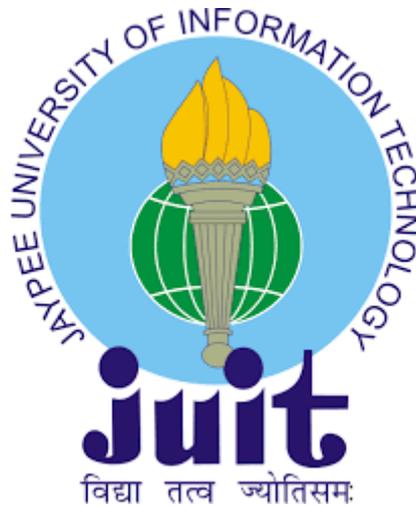


**Report**  
on  
**Academic Visit**  
to  
**Himalayan Forest Research Institute (HFRI), Shimla – ICFRE**



on  
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Himalayan Forest Research Institute (HFRI), Shimla, Himachal Pradesh was established as **High Level Conifer Regeneration Research Centre during May, 1977** for carrying out research on problem associated with natural regeneration of Silver Fir and Spruce. The Mandate of the Institute is to cater the forestry research, needs pertaining to eco-restoration of cold deserts & mined areas and regeneration of coniferous & broad-leaved forests, besides activities on management practices in temperate forests, and in alpine areas too. Popularization of agroforestry and other related extension activities has been included in its mandate. . The Institute also has the national mandate of Eco-restoration od cold deserts and study of regeneration problems of conifer species and has been declared as "**Centre of Advance Studies for Cold Desert Afforestation and Alpine Pasture Management**"

Twelve PhD Scholars along with six faculty members (Prof. Sudhir Kumar Syal, Dr. Udayabanu, Dr. Jitendraa Vashistt, Dr. Gopal Singh Bisht , Dr. Ashok Kumar Nadda, Dr Raj Kumar and Dr. Abhishek Chaudhary) visited ICFRE-Himalayan Forest Research Institute, Shimla on 29<sup>th</sup> December, 2023. Dr. R. K Verma (Scientist-G) and Dr. Ashwani Tapwal, Scientist –F provided a brief about the mandate of the institution and various research or extension activity going on in the HFRI shimla. Furthermore, Sh. Kuldesk Kumar, Technical Officer appraised about detailed R&D activities of the institute through power point presentation. They also discussed about Amrit Sravoar and Life Mission schemes. During mutual discussion after the presentation, overlapping research areas between two JUIT and HFRI were brought into picture for future collaborations. After this interaction they were also taken to different laboratories and TDC where respective officer in-charges briefed them about research activities in the laboratories.



The BT and BI department extends our gratitude to the Director, HFRI for his permission and support to make this visit possible and achieving our objectives for the students. We also extend our gratitude to HOD Sir, Prof. Sudhir Kumar, Dean of Academics Sir, Prof. Ashok Gupta and Vice Chancellor Sir, Prof. R.K Sharma for allowing us to arrange this visit to our student.

Thanking you  
Dr.Abhishek