About the Department

Department of Horticulture was established in 2009 as one of the foremost professional course departments of Sikkim University, offering integrated B.Sc-M.Sc in Horticulture of 6 years' duration. In the year 2013, the department started direct M.Sc (Horticulture) and PhD (Horticulture) with four specializations *viz*. Fruit Science, Vegetable Science, Floriculture and Landscaping, and Plantation, Spices, Medicinal and Aromatic crops. The department presently focuses on organic farming, climate change resilient horticulture, conservation of local germplasm and value addition of horticulture those germplasm. The department is currently located at 6th Mile, Samdur, Tadong.

About the Biotech Park

Biotech Park is a Technology Incubator with focus on Health Care, Agriculture, Environment, Industrial Application and Energy. The mission of Biotech Park is to foster development of knowledge based economy in biotechnology and hand hold all innovation activities to assure benefit to all sections of the society. (http://www.biotechpark.org.in/)

How ToReach

Gangtok is well connected from Siliguri via buses and tourist taxis. Till Siliguri, you can reach via railway and by air. The nearest railway station is New Jalpaiguri and the airport is Bagdogra..





SKILL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING ON

Product Diversification of Bio-resources of Sikkim

19th September, 2019 - 21st September, 2019

Organized by

Department of Horticulture, Sikkim University, Gangtok

and

Biotech Park, Lucknow (UP)

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Background

Product diversification means diversifying the product by developing into a new product to increase its nutritive value as well as market prices. Product diversification is an integral part of Value addition of horticulture produce. The profit potential is increased when an indistinctive raw commodity is converted into a unique product and diversity in the product provided choice to both consumers as well as manufacture. For value-added products to be successful, it is recommended that producers carefully identify goods that utilize local resources and that fulfil the gap in the market. Adding value also adds to the cost of production, but careful planning and test marketing can significantly increase the net cash return of a small-scale enterprise Value-addition ensures high premium to the grower, while providing more acceptable quality products for the domestic and export market, and it provides the most important aspects of marketing and give the customers a reason to buy such products.

Course Content

The programme will comprise lectures by experts and entrepreneurs as well as "hands on" for product development. Training will broadly cover topics such as preparation of diversed products from fruits, vegetables and flowers, development of business proposal, marketing issues, government support among others.

Organizing Committee

Dr S Manivanan, Department of Horticulture, SU Dr Laxuman Sharma, Department of Horticulture, SU Dr Sujata Upadhaya, Department of Horticulture, SU Dr Rajesh Kumar, Department of Horticulture, SU

Who can apply/participate

The knowledge gained from this training programme will be immensely beneficial for graduates in Horticulture/ Agriculture who wish to join research or seek employment in esteemed industrial companies in near future.

Number of Participants: 25

Registration/course fee

No Course Fee/Registration Fee will be charged from the participants. Participants need to manage their accommodation, travel and food expenses.

How to apply?

Interested candidates may apply online at <u>www.biotechpark.org.in/coursenortheast.php</u>

For Details

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