

Final Announcement

International Training Programme

# Innovations in the Management of Planted Teak Forests

Peechi, Kerala, India

31 August - 3 September 2011





## Background

Teak (*Tectona grandis*) is being grown in plantations in around 70 countries across the globe although its natural occurrence is limited to India, Laos, Myanmar and Thailand. Of the estimated 142 million hectares of global plantations in 2005, about 5.82 million hectares (4%) were teak, the major producers being India, Indonesia, Myanmar and Thailand in the Asia Pacific region. Of late, there has also been much interest in planting teak in South American Countries. With such a heightened level of interest in teak, FAO has been collaborating with several countries to undertake studies, conduct workshops and promote the exchange of genetic material and information both on growing and marketing of teak and its products. TEAKNET, an international network on teak established in 1995 with the support of FAO offered a convenient platform for promotional activities on teak by the FAO. The network headquarters originally in Myanmar was shifted to India in 2008 and is currently located in KFRI, Thrissur, India. The network, with its wide pool of members, is promoting teak-related studies, workshops and meetings actively.

One major objective of TEAKNET is to generate knowledge and disseminate information on all teak-related issues. Providing a training that combines topics on innovative teak cultivation practices with recent developments that influence the teak business, such as climate change and participatory tree farm initiatives would contribute to the renewal and strengthening of the teak wood sector and rural development. This programme thus aims to bring the actual stakeholders of the teak sector face to face with topmost experts for exchanging information on the innovations that have been happening in the industry globally in all its dimensions.

## Objectives

The major objective of the programme is to familiarize the various stakeholders with the innovations in the technology of growing and utilizing teak. The programme also would bring to discussion issues like supportive policies, legal frameworks, climate change, ecological services and on the whole teak farms as an instrument for economic growth in rural Asia.

## Organizations involved

The programme is being jointly organized by the following agencies viz.,

TEAKNET (International Teak Network): [www.teaknet.org](http://www.teaknet.org)

Kerala Forest Research Institute (KFRI): [www.kfri.org](http://www.kfri.org)

Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) of the UN:  
[www.fao.org/world/regional/rap](http://www.fao.org/world/regional/rap)

Kerala State Council for Science, Technology and Environment (KSCSTE):  
[www.kscste.kerala.gov.in](http://www.kscste.kerala.gov.in)



## ORGANIZERS AND SPONSORS

### TEAKNET (International Teak Network)

Kerala Forest Research Institute (KFRI), India

Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO)  
of the United Nations

Kerala State Council for Science, Technology  
and Environment (KSCSTE)



**Kerala Forest Research Institute**

### Venue

The Programme venue is Kerala Forest Research Institute, Peechi – located in the central part of Kerala State in the midst of tropical forests with a scenic beauty, which attracts a large number of tourists throughout the year. The nearest city is Thrissur (18 km away from the campus), the cultural capital of Kerala, which is well connected by road and rail from Chennai (Madras), Bangalore, Kochi (Cochin) and Coimbatore cities. The new Cochin (Kochi) International Airport at Nedumbassery is only 60 km away while another accessible domestic airport is at Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu (100 km).

More information about India and Kerala can be obtained through the websites: [www.keralatourism.com](http://www.keralatourism.com); [www.keralagreenery.org](http://www.keralagreenery.org); [www.keralam.com](http://www.keralam.com)

### Climate

The weather in and around Peechi during September is generally pleasant with an average temperature of 25°C with the termination of South-west monsoon. However, frequent showers are not uncommon.

### Official language of the training programme

The official language of the training programme is English. Only English will be used by the speakers in all the sessions and field excursion of the programme and no translators will be available.

### Contact address

If you have any queries regarding the programme, e.g., registration, payments, accommodation, accompanying person's programme, please contact the Programme Convener:

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TEAKNET Coordinator,  
Kerala Forest Research Institute, Peechi 680 653, Thrissur

District, Kerala State, India

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Email : [coordinator@teaknet.org](mailto:coordinator@teaknet.org);  
[secretariat@teaknet.org](mailto:secretariat@teaknet.org)

URL : [www.kfri.org](http://www.kfri.org)

### Programme Web Page

All the programme announcements and information are available in the website: [www.teaknet.org](http://www.teaknet.org)

### Chart of the Tentative Programme

	<b>Wednesday 31 Aug 2011</b>	<b>Thursday 01 Sep 2011</b>	<b>Friday 02 Sep 2011</b>	<b>Saturday 03 Sep 2011</b>
09.30-10.00	Registration	Lecture	Lecture	Field trip
10.00-11.30	Inaugural Session	Lecture	Lecture	
11.30-12.00	Tea	Tea	Tea	
12.00-13.00	Lecture	Lecture	Feedback	
13.00-14.00	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	
14.00-15.00	Lecture	Lecture	Visit to KFRI	
15.00-15.30	Tea	Tea	Tea	
15.30-16.30	Lecture	Group Interaction	Concluding Session	
18.30-20.30	Cultural Programme, Dinner			

## Invited speakers

Several eminent scientists and experts in various fields of Tropical Timber Development Programmes have been invited from around the world to deliver the lectures.

## Schedule of Lectures

Date	Sessions/Lectures	Speaker
31.8.11	Registration	-
	Inauguration	-
	Supportive policies and legal frameworks for growing teak	Dr. Simmathiri Appanah FAO, Bangkok, Thailand
	Choice of quality planting material for teak	Dr. Jon Kehlet Hansen, Forest and Landscape, Denmark
	Mass production of planting stock of teak	Dr. Schuchishweta V.Kendurkar, NCL, Pune, India
	Cultural Programme, Dinner (Evening)	
01.9.11	Soil management in teak plantations	Dr. B. Mohankumar, KAU, Thrissur, India
	Forest-level management planning	Dr. Juha Lappi, Finnish Forest Research Institute, Helsinki, Finland
	Health and sustainable management of teak stands	Dr. V.V. Sudheendrakumar, KFRI, Thrissur, India
	Innovative approaches in utilization of teak wood	Dr. R.V. Rao (retd.), Institute of Wood Science & Technology, Bangalore, India
	Group interaction/ Experience sharing	-
02.9.11	Teak plantations for climate change mitigation and ecological services	Dr. Markku Kanninen, University of Helsinki, Finland/CIFOR, Indonesia
	Teak farms - a strategy for growth and job creation in rural Asia	Dr. Dede Rohadi, CIFOR, Jakarta, Indonesia
	Response from participants	-
	Visit to KFRI	-
	Concluding Session	-
03.9.11	Field trip	

## Field excursion

Field excursion is planned for a full day on 3 September 2011 to acquaint the participant with the prevailing plantation management practices (with home-garden teak, state forest plantations), teak timber depots and other places of attraction. Two field trips are planned as follows either of which can be chosen by the participants.

### Nilambur

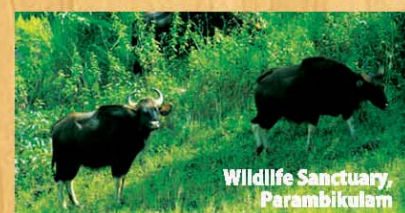
Teak plantations including the world's oldest teak plantation raised in 1842, Timber Depots at Nilambur, International Teak Museum at Nilambur, KFRI Subcentre at Nilambur including Teak Nursery, Butterfly Garden, Medicinal Plants Garden, Bambusetum, Palmetum, Wood Treatment Plant.

### Parambikulam Wildlife Sanctuary

Parambikulam wildlife sanctuary is the most protected ecological piece of Anamalai sub unit of Western Ghats, surrounded on all sides by protected areas and sanctuaries of Kerala and Tamil Nadu. The sanctuary is endowed with peninsular flora and fauna which are excellently conserved due to total protection and minimal human interferences

## Accompanying Person's Programme

Persons accompanying the participants may opt to join the field excursions planned for the participants. Visits to local places of tourist interest will be organised during the programme days, if there will be sufficient participation with payment of additional costs.



## Registration Form

The prospective participants may use the Registration Form given at the end of this document for advance registration. Other relevant details are given below.

### Accommodation

Different hotels in Thrissur provide a wide choice of accommodation ranging from luxury suites to economy class double/single rooms. Advance booking is generally necessary. Delegates who require their accommodation to be reserved may send a request in the form provided along with a hotel deposit indicating their requirement (single/double rooms, suites and the preferred class-economy/luxury). However, the occupants are responsible to settle their hotel bills before departure.



### The range of tariffs in selected hotels at Thrissur is given below:

Name of Hotel	Room Tariff* in Indian Rupees (15% Taxes extra)								
	A/C							Non A/C	
	Single	Double	Single Delux	Double Delux	Executive Single	Executive Double	Suite	Single	Double
Elite International		1350							610
Pearl Regency	1400	1650	1700	1950			2800	750	900
Luciya Palace	1400	1575					2550	1150	1300
Casino Hotels		1600	2850	2850	2000	2350	6500		
Trichur Towers		1700	2150	2850			4400		
Asoka Inn			2250	2700			5050		
Joys Palace			3950	4950	3200	3850	7350		
Dass Continental			2200	2600	2700	3200	4500		
LuLu Int'l Convention Centre						3400	5100		

Accommodation is also available near the Programme Venue in KFRI campus, Peechi.

KFRI Int'l Hostel	1000	1500						750	1000
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Delegates who need assistance to reach their hotels from the Airport/Railway station are requested to give particulars of their travel plan in the Registration Form. Local transportation from the hotels to the venue and back will be provided by the organizers.

### Training Materials

Each registered participant will receive a Registration Kit containing the detailed programme, name badge, a list of participants, invitations for social events and information on field excursion.

### Financial Support for Participation

Limited funds will be available to support the participants from developing countries.

### Passport/Visa

Overseas participants may contact the nearest Indian High Commission/Embassy/ Consulate or their travel agent to find out visa requirements for entry into India.

### Health Insurance

All participants should meet their own insurance for medical care and hospital treatment. Please check vaccination requirements from your travel agent.

### Banks/Currency/ Credit Cards

Foreign currency and travellers cheques can be changed at all commercial banks during banking hours in Thrissur Town. The banks are open Mondays-Fridays (10.00-16.00 hrs) and Saturday (10.00-13.00 hrs).

The Indian monetary unit is Indian Rupee (INR). One Rupee (Re.) = 100 Paise. 1US\$ = Rs. 45.00; 1 Euro = Rs. 65.00 (approx.). International Credit Cards are accepted at most of the banks, hotels and super markets.

### Electricity

The electricity is 220 to 240 volts AC provided with 2 or 3 pin (round) switch sockets.

### No Smoking

Smoking is banned in public places in Kerala. The Programme Venue is a smoke-free area. Smoking is not permitted at any of the sessions, forums, poster sessions or functions.

## Other Facilities

The following services will be available for the participants at the venue during the Programme.

**Information Desk:** A meeting point for delegates for personal messages/ correspondence during the Programme, with facilities like E-mail, Fax, Telephone, computers and photocopying.

**Banking:** Banking facility will be available for encashing traveller's cheques, foreign currencies, etc.

**Travel:** A travel agent will be available at the venue for travel arrangements, confirmation of flights, etc.

## Registration Instructions

Please type or print in block letters as you complete your registration form and mail or fax your form, remembering to print your name at the top of each page to avoid confusion if pages are separated.

Please complete the Registration Form, including your name on each page and return before **31 July 2011** to:

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Email: [coordinator@teaknet.org](mailto:coordinator@teaknet.org);  
[secretariat@teaknet.org](mailto:secretariat@teaknet.org)

Please refer to the numbered sections below as you complete the registration pages.

### 1. Delegate Information

Please use a separate registration form for each delegate. You may enter any number of accompanying persons.

### 2. Accompanying Persons

This section is for accompanying persons who are paying the Accompanying Person's registration fee. Please provide full name.

Registered accompanying persons receive a name badge and Registration Kit. Participation in the opening ceremony, in-programme tour, cultural programme and welcome banquet is included in the accompanying person's fee. A hospitality room will be available to those wearing their name badges. Special tour programmes have been scheduled throughout the week with varying costs. Tours will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Tour registrations can be made during the Programme only if there is space available.

### 3. Registration Fee

Please note the early registration fee deadline. Take advantage of the savings by filing your registration before

**31 July 2011.** For Accompanying Person's Programme, full payment and reservations are due by the same date.

The registration fee for Accompanying Person's Programme includes Registration Kit containing Training programme, information on local sightseeing / shopping, tickets for social events, lunch / tea during the Programme and one day field excursion.

Visits to local places of tourist interest will be organised during the Programme days, if there will be sufficient participation with payment of additional costs.

## 4. Social Events Guest Tickets

Please note which events you and any accompanying persons wish to attend, even if the cost is included in the registration fee. This will help us make necessary plans. Individual tickets will be distributed at the Programme Information Desk.

## 5. Arrival and Departure Times

Please indicate your arrival and departure time to assist with our planning and scheduling so that conveyance will be available for you from the Airport/Railway Station and for return after the Programme.

## 6. Special Needs

Please indicate any special needs, disabilities, or dietary concerns that you may have.

## 7. Payment

All payments must be made in US dollars, Euros or Indian Rupees and payable to the Director, Kerala Forest Research Institute. The banking fee, if any, will be the responsibility of the delegate. On the spot receipts will be available for all payments received by the Organisers.

## 8. Accommodation

Indicate your choice of hotels or other places of accommodation.

## 9. Passport details

Passport details are required for foreign participants.

### Confirmation

Written confirmation will be sent indicating payment, tour and excursion details. Please bring the confirmation letter with you to assist us with your registration in Peechi.

### Cancellation

No refund will be possible once the registration is made for the Programme.

### Liability

The fees associated with the Programme, do not cover medical care or travel insurance. The Programme Secretariat is not responsible for these or other losses or damage to luggage or personal belongings, which delegates and their accompanying persons may incur.

# REGISTRATION FORM

## International Training Programme

### Innovations in the Management of Planted Teak Forests, Peechi, India

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#### 1. Delegate (please type or print - one delegate per registration form)

Family Name	Middle Name	First Name	
PositionTitle	(Dr./Mr./Ms.)	Gender	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F
Company / Organization			
Postal address			
City	State	Postal Code	Country
Telephone	Fax	Email	

#### 2. Accompanying Persons

Family Name	First Name	Gender	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F
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#### 3. Registration Fee

	Delegate type	Standard fee	Number	Total Fee
Delegate fees	Foreign / Indian	US\$ 100 / INR 4500		
Accompanying person(s)	Foreign / Indian	US\$ 100 / INR 4500		
Total				

(Please note: Registration fee for delegates and accompanying persons include local transportation from and to Airport/Railway Station and field excursion, lunch/tea during the Programme, and social functions associated with the Programme)

#### 4. Social Events Guest Tickets

Event	Name of the Delegate	Name of the Accompanying Person
Cultural Programme/ Welcome Dinner		
Nilambur Trip		
Parambikulam Trip		

#### 5. Arrival and Departure Times

Arrival	Date:	Time:	Flight :	Train No:
Departure	Date:	Time:	Flight :	Train No:

#### 6. Special Needs (Please describe any special needs such as mobility or dietary)

Dietary:	<input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian	<input type="checkbox"/> No pork	<input type="checkbox"/> No beef	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
Mobility:				
Other special needs:				

## 7. Payment

Payment must be made in US dollars/Indian Rupees. Please tick a box to indicate method of payment

- Cheque enclosed (Make cheques/money orders/bank drafts payable to: Director, Kerala Forest Research Institute at Thrissur, Kerala, India)

Chque/ DD No.	Dated:	Amount:
Drawn on.....Bank payable at Thrissur		

## 8. Accommodation

Please indicate your choice of accommodation by ticking the appropriate box below. Final payment for all your accommodation, meals, and other room services is to be made directly to the hotel reception desk on your departure.

Accommodation requirements:

- I will make my own arrangements  
 Hotels\*: Indicate your requirements with "✓" mark against your choice

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## 9. Passport details (Foreign Participants only)

Name	No.	Expiry Date
Date and Place of Issue	Issuing Authority	
Date, Place of Birth	Citizenship	

For office use only	Date received:	Date confirmed:	Confirmed by:	Invoice No:	Delegate No:

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