Introduction

The Faculty of Forestry that came into existence in 1988 and started imparting education leading to B.Sc. (Forestry) degree under the umbrella of ASPEE College of Horticulture and Forestry. Thereafter, Post graduate programmes leading to M.Sc. (Forestry) and Ph.D. (Forestry) degrees commenced from 1993-94 and 2006-07, respectively. On receipt of fund from ICFRE, Dehradun for construction of College and hostel buildings a separate College of Forestry was established. Meanwhile, 31 teaching faculties were appointed in the Forestry College as per the guidelines issued by ICAR in the year 2010. Thus College of Forestry started functioning independently from the year 2010.

Recently, the Government of Gujarat has agreed to give weightage to Forestry graduates in selection of Assistant Conservator of Forest and Range Forest Officer. However, most of the graduating students have opted for higher education from the institutes of national repute and joined academics. Many of the students have got employment in multinational companies, banking sector and other government and non government organizations. The College of Forestry has been rated as A* accreditation by ICFRE, Dehradun in the year 2010-11.



The faculties were recruited as per the recommendations of 4th Dean's committee of ICAR (BSMA committee 2009) in the five departments as follows-

- 1. Department of Silviculture and Agro-forestry
- 2. Department of Forest Biology and Tree improvement
- 3. Department of Forest Products Utilisation
- 4. Department of Natural Resource Management
- 5. Department of Basic Science and Humanities

Aim

- To prepare trained manpower who can scientifically protect and sustain forest and natural resources of the county
- To facilitate and train young students to undertake applied and basic research in the field of forestry

Objectives

- Education in forestry leading to B.Sc., M.Sc. and Ph.D. degrees
- To generate new technologies through research so as to sustain the changes caused by anthropogenic factors
- Transfer of state of art technologies in forestry sector to the stakeholders