## DEPARTMENT OF FOREST PRODUCTS AND UTILISATION



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## **FUTURE ACTION PLAN**

## • Education:

The following activities/ programmes are proposed as future action plan from the department:

- o Experiential learning programme in the following discipline
  - Techniques for Wood identification, Wood processing and finishing of Commercial Valuable Timbers)
  - Valuation and Forest Certification
- $\circ$  Inclusion of following content or new course curriculum for UG/PG programme
  - Wood physics and Mechanics
  - Pulp and paper technology
  - Forest certification and timber tracing
  - Valuation and Forest certification
- PG Forestry Programme in the following disciplines
  - Wood Science and Technology (at Ph.D. level)
  - Medicinal and Aromatic Plants (at Ph.D. level)
  - Forest Products and Utilization (at M.Sc. & Ph.D. level)
- Infrastructure development
  - Wood Workshop
- Research:
  - o Development of data base for wood identification of timbers of Gujarat
  - Development biological models for tree-ring analysis (dendrochronology), wood quality in relation to climate-change
  - Value addition and developing processing techniques of important forest produce including medicinal and aromatic plants
  - Priority based innovative research on forest products and their utilization
- <u>Extension:</u>
  - o Transfer of technologies to farmers related to forest products/utilization