

ICFRE-ARID FOREST RESEARCH INSTITUTE (AFRI), JODHPUR

One-week refresher training course for IFS Officers

“Integrated Approach for Sustainable Development of Fragile Desert Eco-system”

18th – 22nd December 2023

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

DAY 1 - 18th December 2023 (Monday)

Time (Hr)		Session	Topic/Programme	Resource Person	Venue
From	To				
09:00	09:30	Pre-Inaugural	Registration	Dr. Shiwani Bhatnagar , Scientist D, AFRI	Conference Hall
09:30	09:35	Inauguration	Floral Welcome & Lightening of the lamp	Dignitaries on Dias	
09:35	09:45		Welcome Address	Sh. M.R. Baloch, IFS PCCF & Director, AFRI	
09:45	09:55		Introduction to Training Programme & Course Details	Dr. Tarun Kant Scientist G (Course Director)	
9:55	10:00		Release of Course Material	Dignitaries on Dias	
10:00	10:10		Address by Senior IFS Officer(s)	TBD	
10:10	10:15		Address by Guest of Honor	Smt. Alka Bhargava, IFS (Retd.) PCCF & HOFF (Assam)	
10:10	10:25		Address by the Chief Guest	Sh. Amit Sahai, IFS (Retd.) Hon'ble Administrative Member, Central Admin. Tribunal, Jodhpur	
10:25	10:30		Vote of Thanks		
10:30	11:00	Break (30 min)	HI-TEA		Front Lawn
11:00	12:00	Forenoon Technical Session	Overview of Research Activities of ICFRE-AFRI, Jodhpur / AFRI Short Film	Dr. Tarun Kant , Scientist G & Group Coordinator Research AFRI, Jodhpur	Seminar Hall
12:00	13:00		Utilization of Mesquite (<i>Prosopis</i>) in Arid and Semi-arid areas.	Dr. L.N. Harsh , Former VC, Agri Univ., Jodhpur & Principal Scientist (Retd.), CAZRI	
13:00	14:00	Break (1 Hr)	GROUP PHOTO SESSION		Building Front
			WORKING LUNCH		Community Hall
14:30	15:30	Afternoon Technical Session	Great And Little Rann Of Kutch-An Area Of Unique Biological Diversity & Efforts for Conservation & Management of Its Productivity	R.L. MEENA, IFS (Retd.) Ex. PCCF, Gujarat	Seminar Hall
15:30	16.15		Wildlife Protection and Prosecution-Case studies	Sh. M.L. Sonal, IFS (Retd.) Ex-CCF, RFD	
16.15	17.30		Genetic Modification (GM) Technology and its role in management stressed ecosystem	Dr Tarun Kant Scientist-G & GCR, AFRI	
19:30	21:00		CULTURAL PROGRAMME		Auditorium
21:00	23:00		COURSE DINNER		Comm. Hall

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DAY 2 - 19th December 2023 (Tuesday)

Time (Hr)		Session	Topic/Programme	Resource Person	Venue
From	To				
10:00	11:00	Forenoon Technical Session	Understanding natural resources for combating desertification using GIS Technologies	Dr P.C. Mohrana, Principal Scientist, CAZRI, Jodhpur	Seminar Hall
11:00	12:00		Rehabilitation of degraded and problems soil with particular emphasis on salt land in arid region.	Dr. Ranjana Arya, Scientist-G (Retd.) AFRI	
12:00	13:00		IPDM with emphasis on use of bioagents and Botanicals and Screening of AFRI Produced film on KHEJRI	Dr Sangeeta Singh, Scientist F & Head, Forest Protection Division	
13:00	14:00	Break (1 Hr)	WORKING LUNCH		Community Hall
14:00	17:30	Afternoon Local Field Visits	Local Field Visit: Ummed Bhavan Palace, Mehrangarh Fort/Rao Jodha Desert Rock Park& Machia Safari Park, Jodhpur	Sh. R.K. Gupta, I/C F&S Division, AFRI	Local Visit Jodhpur

Day 3 & 4 – 20th & 21st December 2023 (Wednesday & Thursday) - Field Visit *

Date	Time	Resource Person	Topic/Programme
20/12/23	7:30 AM to 11:00 PM	Sh. Ajit Uchoi, IFS DFO, Jodhpur & Dr. Ashish Vyas, RFS, DCF (WL) DNP, Jaisalmer	Field visit to DNP, Sam Sand Dune of Jaisalmer via Setrawa, Pokaran.
21/12/23	8:00 AM to 8:30 PM	Dr. Ashish Vyas, RFS, DCF (WL) DNP, Jaisalmer & Sh. Sh. Pankaj Gupta, DCF/IGNP, Jaisalmer	Field visit to IGNP Zero RD, Demo Village, Mohangarh, Local Jaisalmer visit, Return journey to AFRI, Jodhpur.

***Note:** Details of the Field Visit program is given at the end



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DAY 5 -22nd December 2023 (Friday)

Time (Hr)		Session	Topic/Programme	Resource Person	Venue
From	To				
10:00	10:30	Technical Session	Sustainable & Quality Medicinal Forest Produce: A Visionary Approach	Sh. Tarun Prajapati, Cultivator Natural Products Pvt Ltd, Jodhpur	Seminar Hall
10.30	10.45		Presentation by Fellow Participants / case studies	Volunteering Participants	
10:45	11:00		Feedback by Fellow Participants	All Participants	
11:00	11:30	Break (30 min)	TEA		Hall
11:30	12:00	Valedictory Session	Panel Discussion and experience sharing on working conditions of IFS Officers		Seminar Hall
12.00	13.00		Valedictory Programme: Address by Chief Guest, Certificate distribution, Concluding Remarks and Vote of thanks.	Chief Guest: Prof. (Dr) Harpreet Kaur, Vice Chancellor, National Law University, Jodhpur	
13:00	14:00	Break (1 Hr)	WORKING LUNCH		Community Hall
14:30	17.30	Laboratory /Arboretum/Nursery visits			

Kindly Note:

1. Yoga & Meditation sessions under the guidance of experts are arranged in the morning (7.30AM-8.30 AM) on 18, 19 & 22 December 2023 to all interested participants at Conference Hall, AFRI, Jodhpur. (No yoga exercises are involved & mats not required).
2. Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner are arranged in Community Hall.
3. Sports (Volleyball etc) facilities are also available at AFRI main campus.



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JAISALMER EXCURSION TIMELINE

(20th & 21st December 2023)

DAY 3: 20th December 2023 (Wednesday)

Sr.	Time	Activity
1.	7.30 AM (Sharp)	Departure from AFRI, Jodhpur for Jaisalmer by buses after breakfast
2.	9.00 AM to 9.15 AM	Demonstration of Sand dune stabilization near Setrava
3.	9.20 AM to 9.55AM	Tea & Snacks at Shri Krishna Hotel & Restaurant near Setrava
4.	12.30 PM to 1.00 PM	Visit of War Memorial Musuem, Jaisalmer
5.	1.00 PM to 1.30 PM	Departure from War Memorial Musuem and Arrival at Mahadev Hotel, Jaisalmer
6.	1.30 PM to 2.45 PM	Lunch and room occupation at Mahadev Hotel, Jaisalmer
7.	3.00 PM to 3.15 PM	Gadisar Talab
8.	3.15 PM to 4.15 PM	Sam, Jaisalmer
9.	4.15 PM to 10.00 PM	Visit of Sam Sand Dunes (DNP), Camel riding, Sunset view, Cultural programme and dinner at Desert Valley, Sam, Jaisalmer
10.	10.00 PM to 11.00 PM	Back to Mahadev Hotel, Jaisalmer

DAY 4: 21st December 2023 (Thursday)

Sr.	Time	Activity
1.	7.30 AM (Sharp) to 8.35 AM	Departure from Mahadev Hotel, Jaisalmer for Zero RD, IGNP, Mohangarh after breakfast
2.	8.35 AM to 9.50 AM	Zero Head, IGNP Visit, Mohangarh, Demo Village
3.	9.50 AM to 11.00 AM	Back to Jaisalmer
4.	11.00 AM to 1.30 PM	Fort, Jaisalmer (one hr.), Patwa Haveli etc. Jaisalmer
5.	1.30 PM to 3.00 PM	Lunch at Hotel Mahadev, Jaisalmer
6.	3.00 PM	Departure from Mahadev Hotel, Jaisalmer for Jodhpur
7.	5.00 PM to 5.30 PM	On the way Tea & Snacks at Hotel Royal Park, Pokran
8.	5.30 PM to 8.30 PM	Departure after tea break and arrival at AFRI, Jodhpur

IGNP - Indira Gandhi Nahar Pariyojana, Jaisalmer DNP - Desert National Park, Jaisalmer

