

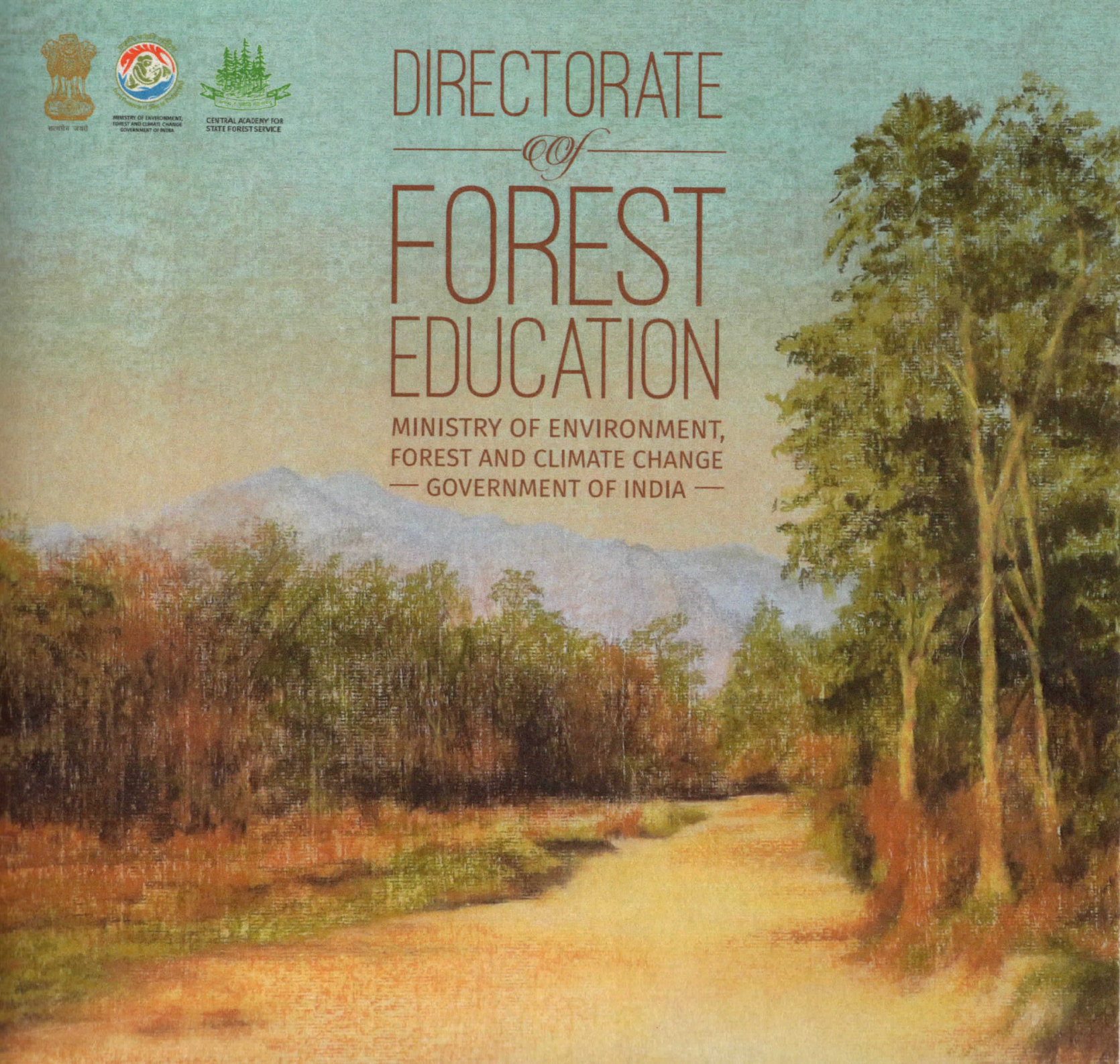


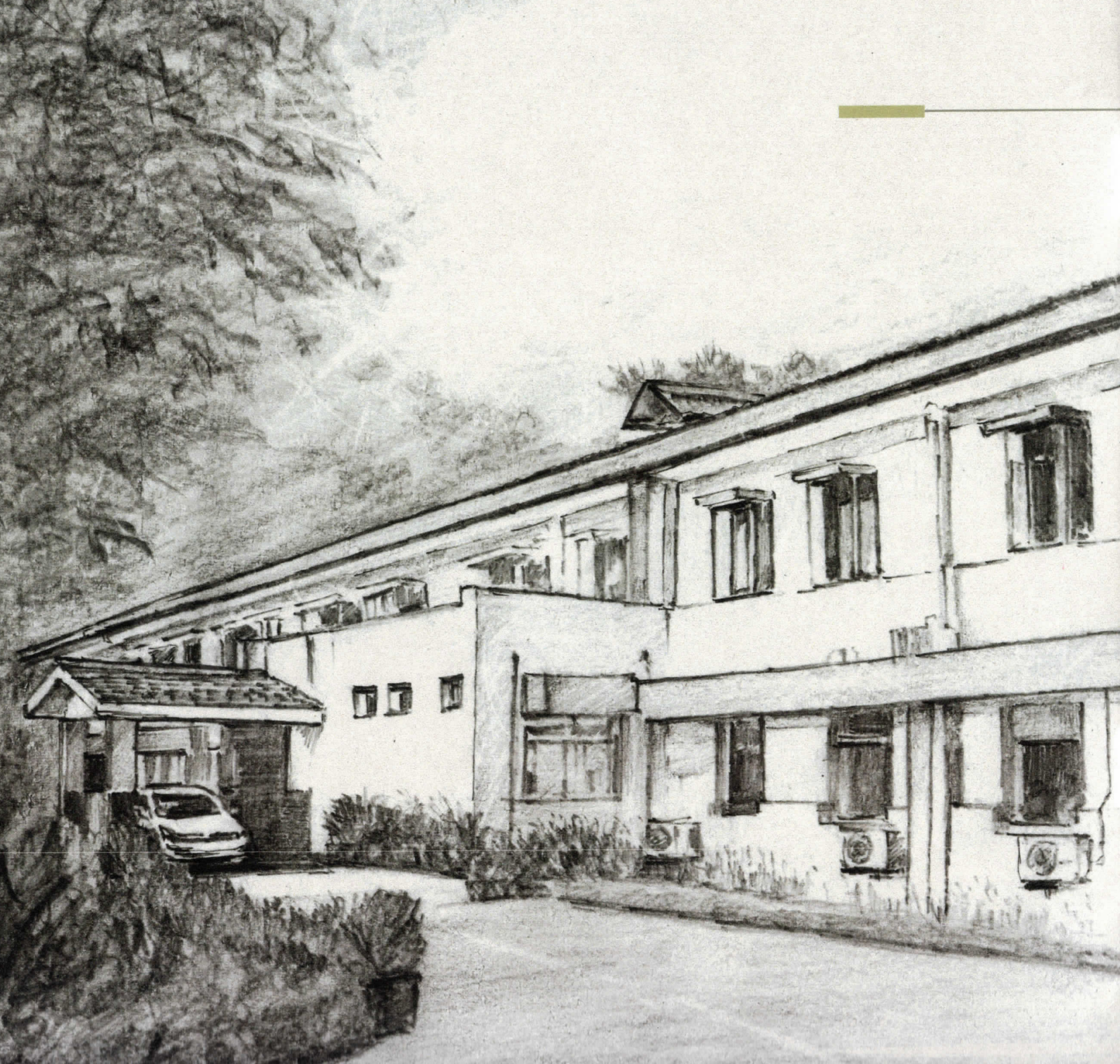
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CENTRAL ACADEMY FOR  
STATE FOREST SERVICE

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# DIRECTORATE OF FOREST EDUCATION

**Directorate of Forest Education, Dehradun is a premier organization under the aegis of Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Government of India which imparts training to State Forests Service Officers (SFS) and Forest Range Officers (FRO) in the country. The Directorate was part of the Forest Research institute and Colleges, Dehradun and remained responsible for professional and technical level training/education in the country.**

The post of DFE was created in 1953 under the FRI and Colleges to assist the President FRI. Subsequent to reorganization of Forest Research Institute and Colleges and creation of Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE) as an autonomous organization, under the Ministry of Environment and Forests in the year 1991, the Directorate of Forest Education was delinked from the Forest Research Institute and Colleges. The Directorate ensures "Standard and Quality" of forestry training in the country and in its current form, functions under direct administrative control of the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India to take care of all aspects of training of SFS officers and FROs. Located in the scenic Forest Research Institute campus at Dehradun, the Directorate is headed by the Director who is a senior Forest Officer drawn on deputation basis.

Vide order No. 15-15/2018-RT dated 03.02.2022, integration / unification of all Forestry training Academies in the country has been carried out. Subsequently DFE, 03 Central Academy for State Forest Services (CASFOS), Dehradun, Burnihat & Coimbatore and Central Academy for Forest Education (CAFÉ), Kurseong have been brought under the single command of Director, Indira Gandhi National Forest Academy (IGNFA) as administrative head.



There are three academies for training the SFS officers and one academy for training FROs under the direct administrative and technical control of the directorate. These are:

- 1 **CENTRAL ACADEMY FOR STATE FOREST SERVICE, DEHRADUN (UTTARAKHAND)**
- 2 **CENTRAL ACADEMY FOR STATE FOREST SERVICE, COIMBATORE (TAMIL NADU)**
- 3 **CENTRAL ACADEMY FOR STATE FOREST SERVICE, BURNIHAT (ASSAM)**
- 4 **CENTRAL ACADEMY OF FOREST EDUCATION, KURSEONG (WEST BENGAL) FOR TRAINING FROs.**

Himachal Pradesh Forest Academy, Sunder Nagar (Himachal Pradesh)

Gujarat Forest Rangers College, Rajpipla (Gujarat)

Karnataka State Forest Academy, Dharwad (Karnataka)

Kundal Academy of Development Administration and Management, Kundal (Maharashtra)

Odisha Forest Rangers College, Angul (Odisha)

Tamil Nadu Forest Academy, Coimbatore (Tamil Nadu)

Telangana State Forest Academy, Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh)

Uttarakhand Forestry Training Academy, Haldwani (Uttarakhand)

In addition to these Academies, there are eight Academies being run by the State Governments under the technical control of the Directorate for training FROs. These are:

## MANDATES OF THE DIRECTORATE

- To cater to the training needs of the SFS Officers and RFOs of States / Union Territories in the Country
- To ensure standard and quality of training being imparted to the forestry personnel other than those from the Indian Forest Service (IFS)
- To augment training capacity and facility for the Frontline Forest Staff (Forest Guards, Foresters, Deputy Rangers and Range Officers)
- To develop appropriate and relevant training contents and evaluation standards for forestry training at all levels below IFS
- To help states assess training needs of forestry personnel
- To assist in the development of training policy for forestry personnel

### Training activities undertaken by the Central Academies of the Directorate:

- Two years professional training of State Forest Service (SFS) officers, newly recruited by the Governments of States and Union Territories of India.
- Eighteen months professional training of Forest Range Officers (FROs) newly recruited by the Governments of States and Union Territories of India
- Short term theme based trainings and General Refresher Courses for in-service Forest Service Officers and Range Forest Officers for upgradation of their knowledge and skills regarding advancements in the field of natural resource management. The themes covered for such one-week duration courses are as follows:



Ecosystem Approach to Forest Management



Biodiversity Conservation for Sustainable livelihoods



Legal issues in forestry and wildlife



Training of Trainers



Human Resource Management



Wildlife Management

- Two day training for other stakeholders like media personnel, teachers responsible for managing Eco-Clubs in schools, teaching faculty of colleges and Universities, NGOs etc with an objective of sensitizing them towards conservation needs.

Sl.no	Course	Stakeholders
1	Sensitization of environmental issues	Media personnel
2	Conservation Education	In-charge of Eco-clubs
3	Legal Issues in Forests, wildlife and environment	Lawyers, District Attorneys, Public Prosecutors
4	Conservation Issues in India	Lecturers, Professors
5	People and Forest	Interface NGOs, CBOs
6	Know Your Forests	Teaching faculties of schools, Universities and other educational institutions



- (v) Two day trainings for personnel of other departments like para-military forces, armed forces, police, public prosecutors, judicial officers etc with an objective to promote inter-departmental co-ordination in achieving the objectives of conservation.

S.No	Course	Participants
1	Interdepartmental co-ordination in prosecution of forest and wildlife offences	Police Department (of and above rank of Sub Inspector SI)
2	Role of Judiciary in Forest and Wildlife	Judges, Magistrates of JM(II)C, JM(I)C, Chief Judicial Magistrate CJM, Asst. Sessions, Addl. Sessions
3	Convergence for NRM based integrated rural development	Line Departments at District level –Panchayat, DRDA, Irrigation, PWD, Agri, AH etc
4	Wildlife Trade and Trafficking	Paramilitary forces – ITBP, BSF, CRPF, SSB, CISF
5	Role of Armed Forces in Forest and Wildlife Conservation	Indian Army
6	Linkage between field forest managers and R&D personnel	Personnel of R&D institutions like ICFRE, ICAR, CSIR, Non-Governmental Research Organizations, Officers posted in research wing of SFDs etc.
7	Forest Policy and Law	Officers of other departments

- (vi) Demand-driven training courses on request by the State Forest Departments and other agencies.

- (vii) Other specially designed short term courses like Foreign Training for Forestry Personnel (FTFP) and courses for the Indo-African forum conducted in the past.



## FACULTY

The four Academies of the Directorate draw their faculty from experienced pool of Indian Forest Service Officers on deputation from various parts of the country. Currently, the faculty consists of the Director, Principal, Lecturers and Instructors. These officers are experts in different domains namely forest geomatics, silviculture, forest laws, wildlife management, biodiversity conservation, people centric forestry, human resource management etc. In addition to these Officers, the Academies also have Scientist - C, Sports Officer and Physical Training and Games Instructor as faculty for effective training.

Academy	CASFOS Burnihat	CASFOS Coimbatore	CASFOS Dehradun	CAFÉ Kurseong
Principal	1	1	1	1
Lecturer	5	5	5	-
Instructor	-	-	-	-
Scientist-C	1		1	1
Sports Officer	-		1	1
PT & Games Instructor	1	1	1	

## Training methodology

Academies of the Directorate adopt systematic approach to training in designing, delivering and evaluating the training courses conducted by them. Peer learning and experiential learning are the cornerstones of training approach. This is achieved through focussed thematic modules, individual and group activities, field exercises, case studies, short field visits, study tours, demonstrations, lectures etc. An ideal blend of audio-visual aids is incorporated in every training course. The Academies also nurture the Officer Trainees to transform into quality human resource and good human beings by inculcating human values, ethics and multiple soft skills. Forums like the Officers Club provide a platform to the Officer Trainees to express their talents and develop a sense of camaraderie and solidarity.

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**Central Academy for State Forest Service (CASFOS), Burnihat, under the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India, had been established in the year 1976 which was then named as State Forest Service College cum research Centre (SFSC & RC) with the primary objective of imparting professional training to the fresh ACF recruits from different states of the country to produce competent forest managers and also to conduct research work in forestry in bio-diversity rich North Eastern states of the country**

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## BURNIHAT

Subsequently in September 1988 the then SFSC & RC was rechristened as State Forest Service College (SFSC) and further on 14.08.2009 the erstwhile SFSC has been again rechristened as Central Academy for State Forest Service (CASFOS) by the Government of India. CASFOS Burnihat is one of the three Academics working under the Director Forest Education, Dehradun and only Academy dealing with Forestry in the entire Northeast imparting induction training to officers at the level of Assistant Conservator of Forests and Range Officers.

The Academy is situated about 21 kms away from Guwahati Railway Station and 40 Kms away from Guwahati Airport. The Academy is spread over an area of about 24 hectares which is spread on either side of the NH 40 in the states of Assam and Meghalaya. The main administrative building of the Academy and hostels are located on Assam side and residential quarters of the Officers and staff are on the Meghalaya side.



### Facilities

- Two Lecture halls of 48 seating capacities each and a Classroom of 25 seating capacity
- Library with over 4000 accessions
- Conference Hall of 50 seating capacity
- Computer Lab with 30 desktop PCs loaded with latest software and applications
- Auditorium with 500 seating capacity
- A small museum showcasing forestry tools, rocks & minerals, weaponry used for protection, wood and log specimens etc
- The sports facility includes 11,000 Sq.m. playground with Football field, Volleyball Court, Basketball Court, Lawn Tennis Court, two Badminton Courts and an Indoor Table Tennis Court and Gymnasium with modern equipment
- Officer Trainees Hostel having 60 bath attached rooms, dining hall with 50 seating and a Common Room
- Executive Hostel having 22 rooms for In-Service training Courses

### Collaborations

Effective forest and wildlife management being inter-disciplinary in nature involves integration of multiple stakeholders. Therefore, it becomes imperative to converge technical expertise of these stakeholders in equipping the Officer Trainees and participants of other training courses. The Academy collaborates with other resourceful organizations like Wildlife Institute of India, Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education, Rain Forest Research Institute, State Forest Departments and Forest Development Corporations, Forest Survey of India, Indian Institute of Remote Sensing, North Eastern Police Academy, North East Space Application Centre, Conservation Training Institute of Soil Conservation Department of Meghalaya, Cane & Bamboo Training Centre of NE Council, University of Science & Technology & Regional Institute of Science & Technology, Meghalaya, NGOs like ARANYAK, WWF and WTI, etc.



## Achievements

Courses	Milestones as on March 2022
SFS Induction Course	568 SFS Officers over 18 batches from 28 States / Uts
FRO Induction Course	491 FROs over 18 batches from 22 States / Uts
Short-term Inservice Courses	621 Inservice SFS Officers from across the country
Training of Personnel of other Departments	326 officers since 2020-21
Training of other Stakeholders	411 stakeholders since 2020-21

## Publications

As part of wholesome personality development, the Officer Trainees are encouraged to acquire documentation and literary skills which is showcased through various publications like *Pokhila*, *Aranya*, etc. The Officer Trainees also contribute articles and case studies to the e-Journal Field Forester: Voices from the Field.





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The Central Academy for State Forest Service (CASFOS), Coimbatore is one of the premier institutes under the aegis of Directorate of Forest Education, MoEFCC, Govt. of India for imparting professional training to the State Forest Officers across the Country. It was established as State Forest Service College in the year 1980 and was later renamed as Central Academy for State Forest Service (CASFOS) in the year 2009. It is situated in the Forest Campus within the heart of the city of Coimbatore. The forest campus has the history of training forest officers ever since the year 1912 as Madras Forest College with Mr F.L.C.Cowley Brown, I.F.S., as its first Principal. It was later re-christened as Southern Forest Rangers College in the year 1955. Headed by the Principal, the Academy focusses on training of SFS Officers and FROs.

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## COIMBATORE



### Facilities

- Two Lecture Halls
- Conference Hall
- Fully Air-conditioned Library
- GIS Lab
- Seminar hall
- Botany Laboratory.
- Dedicated 1-Gbps high speed internet connectivity through NKN and BSNL FTTH connectivity
- Seamless high-speed Wi-Fi enabled campus
- Hostels for Officer Trainees
- Lounge-cum-extra-curricular activity Hall
- Sprawling Sports Ground with separate sections for Hockey, Cricket, Football, Basketball, Volleyball, Tennis, Table Tennis
- Modern Gymnasium
- Executive hostel with 26 AC rooms for in-service training participants

### Collaborations

The Academy fosters collaboration with other resourceful organizations like Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding (IFGTB) - Coimbatore, ICAR - Indian Institute of Soil and Water Conservation Research Centre - Ooty, Southern Regional Wildlife Crime Control Bureau, Institute of Wood Science and Technology (IWST) - Bengaluru, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (TNAU) - Coimbatore, Salim Ali Centre for Ornithology and Natural History (SACON) - Coimbatore, Botanical Survey of India, State Forest Departments, Forest Development Corporations and NGOs etc.



## Achievements

Courses	Milestones as on March 2022
SFS Induction	Course 869 SFS Officers over 26 batches
FRO Induction	Course 369 FROs over 13 batches
Short-term Inservice Courses	2931 Inservice SFS Officers from across the country through 232 courses
Training of Personnel of other Departments and other Stakeholders	1228 teaching faculties of educational institutions and personnel of other Departments since 2020-21

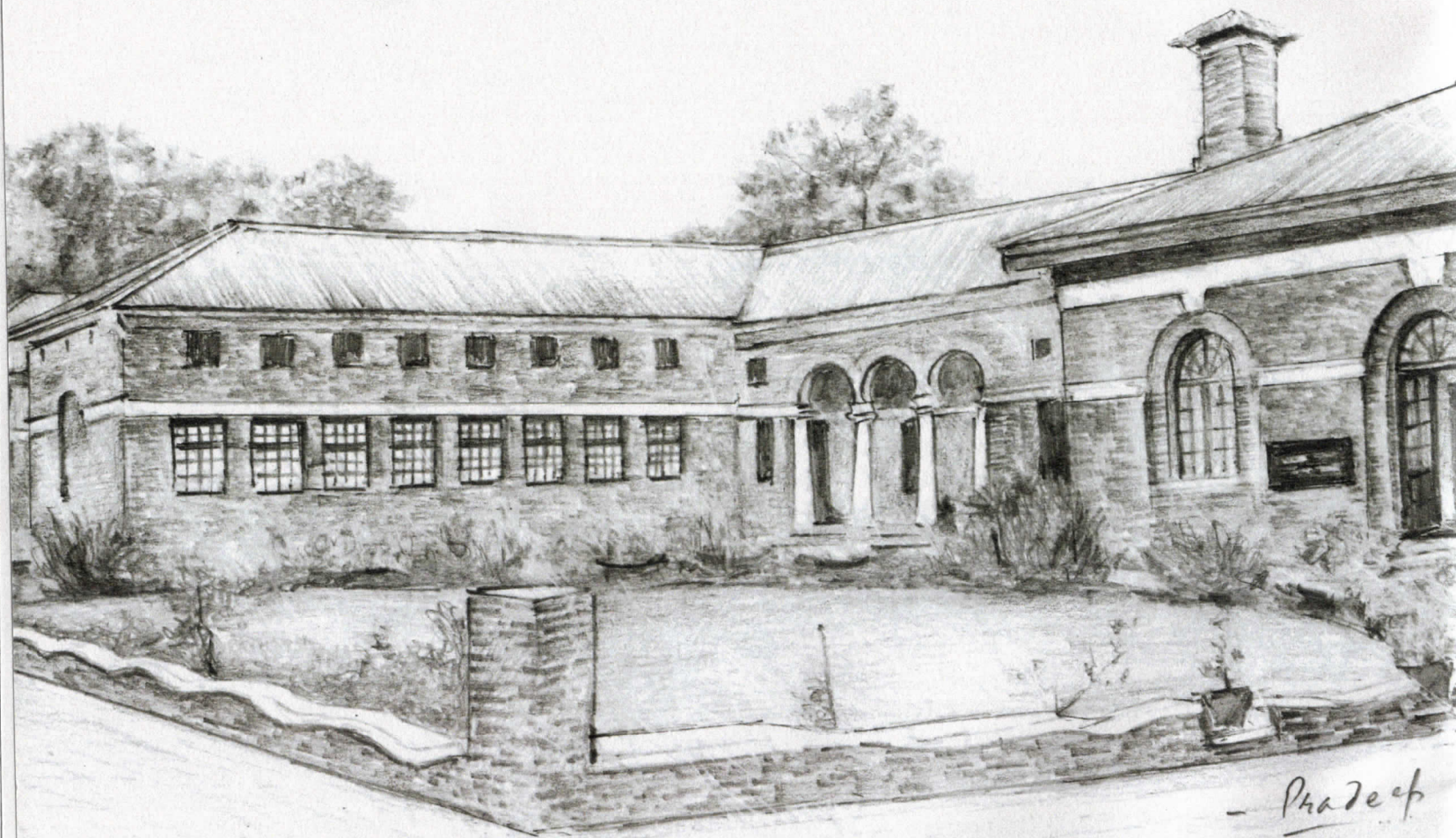
## Publications

The Officer Trainees are involved in documentation and publications in the form of e-Journals, magazines such as 'Kovai Days' and 'Santorama'. Books such as "Pictorial guide on Birds of Forest Campus", "Pictorial guide to Butterflies of Forest Campus", "101 Plant Species of Forest Campus."

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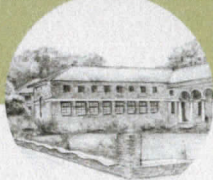
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## DEHRADUN



### Facilities

- State of the art lecture halls and conference halls equipped with audio-visual tools
- Dedicated 1Gbps high speed internet connectivity through NKN and wi-fi enabled campus
- Guest rooms and hostel rooms for boarding and lodging
- Equipped with modern instruments like trail cameras, digital flow-meters, forestry measurement instruments, GIS and internet lab etc.
- Library with more than 6000 accessions in addition to access to National Forest Library and Information Centre of FRI
- Sports facility like football ground, volleyball, basketball, tennis, kho-kho courts, table tennis, carrom, modern gymnasium, open gymnasium
- Scope for field visits in nearby forest areas, Rajaji Tiger Reserve, Corbett Tiger Reserve, Watershed management areas

### Collaborations

Effective forest and wildlife management being inter-disciplinary in nature involves integration of multiple stakeholders. Therefore, it becomes imperative to converge technical expertise of these stakeholders in equipping the Officer Trainees and participants of other training courses. The Academy collaborates with other resourceful organizations like Wildlife Institute of India, Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education, Wildlife Crime Control Bureau, ICAR, Indian Institute of Soil and Water Conservation, Uttarakhand, Watershed Management Directorate, State Forest Departments and Forest Development Corporations, Survey of India, Forest Survey of India, Indian Institute of Remote Sensing, Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology, Zoological Survey of India, Botanical Survey of India, Anthropological Survey of India, NGOs etc.



## Achievements

Courses	Milestones as on March 2022
SFS Induction Course	1208 SFS Officers including 7 foreign trainees from Bhutan and Laos in 34 batches
Short term In Service Course Training of Personnel of other Departments	1690 SFS Officers from across the country
Training of other Stakeholders	828 officers since 2020-21
Master Trainers Training	4519 stakeholders since 2020-21
Foreign Training of Forestry Personnel	41 Forest Officers
Combating Desertification and Climate Change for the Indo-African Forum	126 Forest Officers
Online Training Course on Forestry related Central Legislations	71 participants from African nations in 2011-12
	204 Forest Officers of UT of Jammu and Kashmir

## Publications

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**Central Academy of Forest Education, Kurseong is a constituent Academy of the Directorate of Forest Education (DFE).**

**Initially established as Eastern Forest Rangers' College in 1974, the institution was renamed as Central Academy of Forest Education (CAFE) in the year 2009, located at St. Mary's Hill in Kurseong Sub-Division of Darjeeling District, West Bengal. The Academy is headed by Principal, who is an officer of the Indian Forest Service. The Academy primarily serves the purpose of training FROs.**

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## **KURSEONG**



### Facilities

- State of the art lecture halls and conference halls equipped with audio-visual tools
- Guest rooms and hostel rooms for boarding and lodging
- Equipped with modern instruments like trail cameras, forestry measurement instruments, GIS lab etc.
- Library with more than 3000 accessions
- Sports facility like football ground, volleyball, basketball, tennis, badminton, table tennis, carrom, modern gymnasium, open gymnasium
- Scope for field visits in nearby forest areas, Singalila National Park, Buxa Tiger Reserve, Mahananda Wildlife Sanctuary, Bamonpokhri Forest, etc.

### Collaborations

The academy collaborates with local Forest Department of the state of West Bengal, West Bengal Forest Training School at Kurseong, University of North Bengal at Siliguri, etc. for achievement of its objectives of imparting training in forestry and allied subjects.

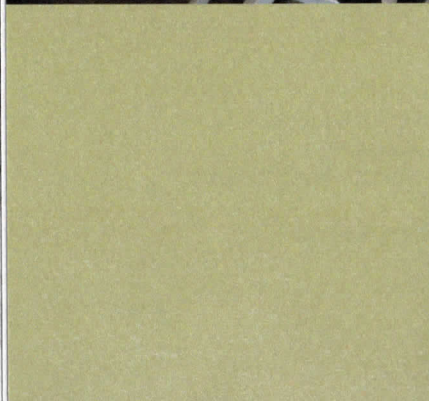
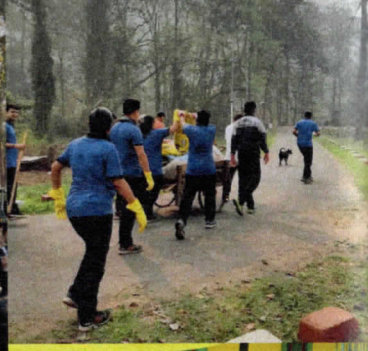


## Achievements

Courses	Milestones as on March 2022
FRO Induction Course	162 FROs including 75 foreign trainees from Bhutan, Nepal, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka since 1974
Short-term Inservice Courses	129 Inservice SFS Officers and FROs from across the country
Training of Personnel of other Departments and other Stakeholders	440 participants since 2020-21

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