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'Rainwater-harvesting and recycling' for tribal farmers of Nilgiris

Udhagamandalam, 20 December 2016. Dr P. Subramaniam (Director, Tribal Research Centre, Ooty) inaugurated training



on 'Rainwater harvesting and recycling' organized by Indian Institute of Soil and Water Conservation, Research Centre, Udhagamandalam on 20 December 2016 for the tribal farmers under Tribal Sub-Plan. Dr Subramaniam said that the water scarcity will be one of the serious problems to be faced by various people in future.

Shri K. Rajkumar (IFS, District Forest Officer, South Forest Division, the Nilgiris) inaugurated training on 'Rainwater harvesting and recycling' organized by Indian Institute of Soil and Water Conservation, Research Centre, Udhagamandalam on 21 December 2016 and appealed the tribal farmers that they should go for cultivating less water requirement crops to mitigate the climate change impacts. Dr O. P. S. Khola (Head of the Centre) appealed the tribal farmers to make use of low cost structures for water harvesting and recharging.

The deliberations were on rainwater-harvesting, recharging methods and efficient utilization; *in-situ* soil and water conservation measures for vegetable crops cultivation etc. There were field visits and demonstrations on the various water harvesting structures. About 100 tribal farmers participated and benefited by the training.