5thto 6th February, 2015: Regional ENVIS Evaluation Workshop (Southern region), Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu.

The Regional Evaluation Workshop for ENVIS Centres (located in Southern region) was held from 05th to 6th Feb, 2015 at Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding (IFGTB), Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu. Around 50 participants from various State centres as well as Thematic centres from southern region (Karnataka, Kerala, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu) took part in evaluation workshop. Shri M. Kannan, IES Economic Adviser, speaking on this occasion, stressed on the need for ENVIS Scheme to evolve as the tools of Decision Support available to the Government of India for formulating various environmental policies and decisions. The expert members for evaluation workshop on day one were Prof. Haripriya Gundimeda, Dr. Rajannan, Dr. Rajasenan, Prof. K.S. Kavi Kumar and Shri. G. Srinivas Rao.





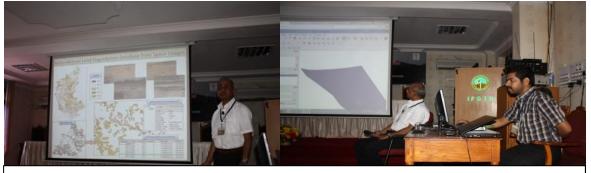
Inauguration session





Release of ENVIS news letters, posters and educational CDs at the workshop

The second day of the workshop was crucial in training the participants by NRSA officials Dr. P. G. Diwakar and Dr. Arul Raj on **Bhuvan Portal**, a geospatial portal to enable the GIS-based information in the websites of the ENVIS Centres. The sessions concluded with thought provoking feedback suggestions by experts and participants.



Dr. Diwakar, Deputy Director and Dr. Arul, Scientist NRSA, Hyderabad presenting Bhuvan Portal





Shri M. Kannanan, IES, Economic advisor with ENVIS secretariat members and Dr. Diwakar

Dr. Prashanth, Director, IFGTB sharing views on workshop



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