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Wild Edibles of the Male Mahadeshwara Betta (MM Hills) and Potential for Socioeconomic Development of Local People

Male Mahadeshwara Hills (MM Hills) is a Wildlife Sanctuary located in Western Ghats, Karnataka, India. Wild edibles are found in abundance in MM Hills region, which have immense potential to provide nutrition and economic benefits to local people. The region has experienced changes in lifestyles, livelihood shift, preference towards agricultural crops etc. among the indigenous people. The consequences include reduction in collection and utilization of wild edibles with increased wastage, and erosion of traditional ecological knowledge. It is evident that there is a need of scientific and technological intervention to encourage conservation and sustainable utilization of wild edibles for socioeconomic development of local people.



The purpose of this workshop is to provide a scope of value addition of wild edible plant resources to increase economic benefit and sustainable forest management. This workshop will provide an insight to livelihoods based on locally available wild edible plant resources, economic development, skill development, women empowerment and awareness on sustainable utilization of bioresources. It will also be a platform to integrate both theoretical and practical knowledge, and exchange ideas among local people, academicians and resource managers.



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