



CENTRE FOR PEOPLE'S FORESTRY

22nd Annual Meeting and 22nd Annual Day Celebrations

Date: 6th August 2024

Venue: St. Ann's Generalate, Tarnaka, Secunderabad

22nd Annual Meeting

The **Annual Meeting** of the Centre for People's Forestry (CPF) was held from **10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** and brought together staff members, and representatives from various project locations to review the organization's work and strengthen collaboration.

The meeting commenced with a **welcome address**, followed by **self-introductions** by all participants, fostering interaction and strengthening relationships among staff and stakeholders from different project locations.

The CPF team then delivered a **presentation on the Forest Communities Programme**, highlighting the project key interventions, achievements, and impact in promoting forest rights, sustainable natural resource management, agroecology, livelihoods, climate resilience, and community institution building across its project areas. The presentation also outlined the progress made during the reporting period and shared key learnings and future priorities.

Director Ms. Girija Devi conducted an **interactive session** followed, during which participants actively engaged in discussions, shared field experiences, raised questions, and exchanged ideas on strengthening programme implementation and enhancing community participation. The session provided valuable insights and encouraged collaborative learning among the participants.



The meeting concluded with **closing remarks by the Chair and Co-Chair**, who appreciated the efforts and commitment of the CPF team and encouraged everyone to continue working with dedication towards achieving the organization's vision and mission. The event concluded with a **group photograph**, capturing the collective spirit and commitment of all participants.

22nd Annual Day Celebrations

The **22nd Annual Day** of the Centre for People's Forestry (CPF) was celebrated on **6th August 2024** at **St. Ann's Generalate, Tarnaka, Secunderabad**. The event brought together Trustees, staff members, community representatives, and distinguished guests to commemorate the organization's achievements and recognize the contributions of its stakeholders.

The programme commenced with a **welcome address**, warmly greeting the dignitaries, guests, and participants. This was followed by the **opening remarks by the Managing Trustee**, who reflected on CPF's journey, highlighted the organization's achievements, and appreciated the dedication of the staff, community institutions, donors, and partners in advancing sustainable development and tribal empowerment.

A significant highlight of the event was the **release of the Annual Report 2023–24**, which showcased CPF's major accomplishments, programme interventions, financial performance, and impact across its project locations during the reporting year.

An **overview of CPF's programme and financial performance** was presented, highlighting key achievements in the areas of forest rights, sustainable natural resource management, agroecology, livelihoods, climate resilience, community institution strengthening, and organizational governance.

The gathering was further enriched by **messages from the guest speakers**, who appreciated CPF's commitment to improving the livelihoods of tribal and forest-dependent communities. They acknowledged the organization's sustained efforts in promoting community participation, environmental conservation, and inclusive development, and encouraged the team to continue its impactful work.

During the event, **community leaders and Community-Based Organizations (CBOs)** were honoured in recognition of their outstanding leadership, active participation, and valuable contributions to community development and the successful implementation of CPF's programmes.

The programme concluded with a **Vote of Thanks**, expressing gratitude to the Trustees, guests, community representatives, donors, staff, and all participants for their continued support and cooperation. The celebration ended with a **High Tea**, providing an opportunity for interaction and fellowship among the participants.