



A few of us trustees of the IFSBWT had a brief and fruitful meeting with the PCCF (HoFF), Assam, and the State Coordinator of the Trust at Guwahati on the evening of October 9, 2026.

We requested their support in extending awareness of the Trust's activities to frontline forestry personnel and in strengthening outreach through the following measures:

- **State Government welfare measures:** Reviewing the welfare orders and benefits provided by the State Government to the families of forestry personnel who make the supreme sacrifice or sustain grievous injuries in the line of duty, including compassionate appointment in the event of their untimely demise. We have requested the making available of a copy of such orders, if any, to the Trust, issued by the State Government.
- **Promoting voluntary donations:** Displaying posters at prominent eco-tourism destinations to encourage tourists to contribute voluntarily to the Trust.
- **Mobilising the forestry fraternity:** Motivating serving and retired forestry personnel in Assam to contribute to the Trust and strengthen its efforts to support bereaved and distressed families. We have given them an example of the Haryana experiment.

The meeting was constructive, and we look forward to their support in taking the Trust's mission to the grassroots level.