

Promoting Sustainable use of Non-Timber Forest Products(NTFP) in KhyberPakhtunkhwa
Three-Day Workshop onNTFP in KhanspurAyubia
May 22-24, 2017

I attended 3-days workshop on Non Timber Forest Product (NTFP) in KhanspurAyubia. The workshop was organized by Directorate of NTFP KP. The objective behind the workshop was to appraise the local plants collectors, Hakeem, CSOs, forest department, horticulturist and the officials from NTFP Directorate about sustainable use of NTFP. Director NTFP welcomed the participants and briefed about the objectives of workshop.

Bio-Diversity day was celebrated with the local community and students of Govt Higher Secondary School and college KhanspurAyubia on May 22, 2013.

Following sessions were delivered during the three-day workshop by various resource persons followed by field visit to identify the medicinal plant;

1. Mushroom as a source of livelihood by Noor Rehman DO NTFP Swat
2. Epiculture an income generating activity for Forest dependent communities in KP by Noor Rehman DO NTFP Swat
3. Bio-Diversity & Livestock by Rashid Hussain Assistant Director NTFP Peshawar
4. Harvesting, post-harvesting, Processing and Value Addition of medicinal plant by Dr. Muhammad Sidique PARC
5. Marketing and Planning by Atifullah and Osaidullah DO NTFP
6. Group work on policy management, capacity building and policy recommendation to manage the NTFP

It was very good opportunity for the participants to learn about the precious potential resource of NTFP that comprise 95 of the forest value. Lectures, presentations, group work and demonstration were arranged for the participants of the workshop to know about the sustainable use of NTFP its importance and proper management. Directorate KP is doing great service to orient, train and equip various stakeholders in proper identification and sustainable use of NTFP. Certificate was distributed at the end of workshop.