

Shri. Chhabilendra Roul, IAS,
Additional Secretary (DARE), Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Govt. of India &
Secretary (ICAR), New Delhi visited ICAR-Directorate of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants Research,
Boriavi-387310, Anand, Gujarat.

Shri Chhabilendra Roul, IAS, Additional Secretary, DARE, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Govt. of India & Secretary, ICAR, New Delhi visited ICAR-DMAPR, Anand on February 01, 2016. After his arrival to the Directorate, Shri Roul visited the experimental fields of the Directorate. During his visit to the experimental field, he keenly interacted with the scientists of the Directorate. An interaction meeting with the staff members was also organized after the Field Visit. Dr. Jitendra Kumar, Director, ICAR-DMAPR, presented an “An Overview of ICAR-DMAPR” in the interaction meeting. Shri Roul asked many detailed information about the activities that were presented by Dr. Kumar. He was quite satisfied with the responses provided by Dr. Kumar. Shri Roul specifically inquired about the implementation and progress of programmes such as ARYA, Tribal Sub Plan, Mera Gaon Mera Gaurav, etc. He categorically expressed the need of variety release of medicinal and aromatic plants (MAP) for the benefit of stakeholders and formation of guidelines for minimum support price for MAP crops as well as marketing. Shri Roul also planted a sapling of Ashoka (*Saraca asoca*).



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