

Call for Research Projects/Demonstration projects at pilot scale to address the problem arising due to Bamboo Flowering / Rat Menace

North-Eastern Region of the country is well known for Bamboos production and their utilisation for various purposes where traditionally they are used for various purposes. Bamboo flowering in a large area subsequently results in formation of a thin layer of seeds on the ground. This thin layer of seeds, in turn, on the onset of rains, transform into lush, green bamboo seed-lings. The seed shed following flowering attracts rats in a large number. So long the seed do not germinate, they remain there. On germination of seeds in rainy season, these rats, look for alternate food and thus damage the food-grains in bulk.

This location specific problem existing from time immemorial, needs a serious re-look. DST invites research proposals or proposals for demonstrating the existing proven technologies on pilot scale for sustainable solution to prevent this great menace . The interested scientists may send their proposals to Advisor & Head (Technology Development & Transfer), Department of Science and Technology, Technology Bhavan, New Mehrauli Road, New Delhi-110016 (Email: laxman@nic.in)