COURSE OUTLINE:
The Science of Forestry and the management of forests has taken front seat as a mechanism of climate change mitigation. It is one of the few very effective measures available for the sequestration of atmospheric carbon. At the same time, management of forests provides access to tourism avenues, major and minor forest produce, food and water security for wildlife and also for people. In this course, we shall discuss the principles of forestry and silviculture. We shall use case studies and examples from India and abroad to understand how forests are planted, managed and harvested for optimising various economic and ecological values derived from forests.

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COURSE PLAN:
- Week 1: Introduction
- Week 2: Basics of silviculture
- Week 3: Forest soils
- Week 4: Forest mensuration
- Week 5: Forest surveying
- Week 6: Forest protection
- Week 7: Silvicultural management - I
- Week 8: Silvicultural management - II
- Week 9: Logging and yield
- Week 10: Silvicultural practices
- Week 11: Newer trends in forestry
- Week 12: Revision