

## **Tour Report of Horticulture Commissioner on his visit to Dehradun (Uttarakhand) during 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2011**

Visited Dehradun to attend the Workshop cum Exhibition on “Plasticulture technologies in Uttarakhand and to review the progress of HMNEH in the State.

### **25<sup>th</sup> March, 2011 (First day)**

- Addressed the participants at the Workshop cum Exhibition on “Plasticulture technologies in Uttarakhand (Farmers’ Orientation Programme)” at Horticulture Garden, Circuit House, Dehradun. The objective of this Workshop was to create awareness of Plasticulture technologies (micro irrigation, Green house cultivation, mulching, low tunnels, shade nets, in-vitro propagation etc.) for the production in Uttarakhand to achieve high yield, quality produce and resource savings.
- Inaugurated the Exhibition cum Live Demonstration where more than 20 exhibitors across India participated including NCPAH, PFDC Pantnagar & State Horticulture Board.
- Released three books namely (i) Greenhouse a Reference Manual by NCPAH (ii) Canopy Management for Horticultural Crops (iii) A Reference Book on Farm Machinery Tools and Equipments by State Horticulture Department, Uttarakhand.

### **26<sup>th</sup> March, 2011 (2<sup>nd</sup> day)**

- Visited KVKs at Dhanauti and Dhakrani of Haridwar & Dehradun district, respectively.
- Inspected the farmers’ fields and explained them about the usefulness of rejuvenation of old and unproductive orchards and canopy management in increasing yields.
- The technologies for production of high value vegetable/fruit crops were also explained to the local growers.
- Replied the questions raised by the farmers’ in the field of Horticulture Sector.