

The New Forest - the IFS training campus - an area which houses the FRI and its sister institutions including the Indira Gandhi National Forest Academy (IGNFA) is also home to a rich biodiversity. These flora and fauna become a part of our neighbourhood while we are at the campus. The campus is also adorned with heritage buildings, museums, nurseries and a beautiful landscape. This initiative is aimed at making us more familiar with our neighbourhood. The KYC (Know your Campus) initiative started by the IFS 2019 batch in this lockdown period shall come out with a campus related topic each day.

The Earth has been a a perfect epitome of the value of affectionate selfless giving. But the earth has been exploited be yond its natural healing capacity. The Earth Day is celebrated to spread the awareness about the need to unite people crossing all boundaries for cause of environmental protection. The Forests are the most pristine wealth of the earth that pumps life into it. Indiscriminate deforestation has led to choking of these lungs of the earth. In the effort to preserve and enhance the forests in India, the role of Foresters has been important.

We take this opportunity to pay tribute to 4 of the renowned foresters whose names have been rightly given to roads around the Indira Gandhi National Forest Academy (IGNFA) by dedicating this KYC issue to them.

1. Hari Singh



♦ Inspector general of Forests to the Government of India during 1964-69.

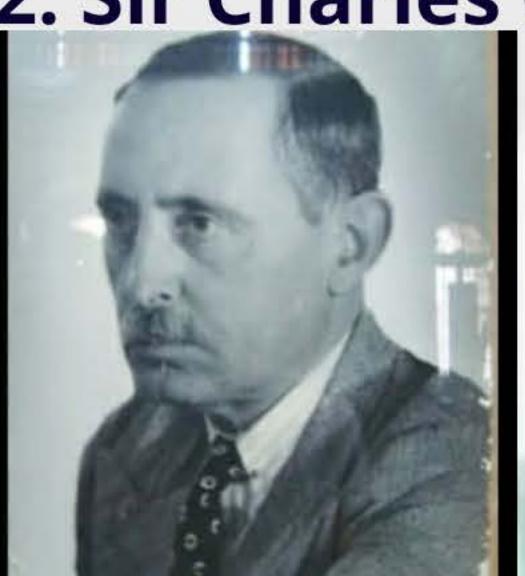
Responsible for the creation of Indian Forest Service.

◆ Joined the Bombay Presidency as a forest officer and set a new direction to forest management in the state.

- Credited for introducing the concept of Social Forestry in India.
- ◆ A road opposite to our IGNFA office (road to SBI, IMA branch) was named after him. IGNFA auditorium was also named after him.



2. Sir Charles Gerald Trevor



♦ Entered the Indian Forest Service and was posted as ACF Punjab Province in 1903.

◆ Later placed as Conservator of Forests in the United Province.

♦ Inspector General of Forest to the Government of India (1933-37).

♦ In 1923, 1928 and 1935 he represented India at the Imperial Forestry Conferences.

♦ His Publication includes Revised Working Plan for the Kulu Forests 1920, Practical Forest Management 1923, Silviculture Systems - Part 2 of Manual of Indian Silviculture 1938.



3. G. G. Takle



♦ Member of the Indian For est Service and Inspector General of Forest to the Government of India during 1956-59.



♦ In 1957 and 1958 he represented India at the Imperial Conferences.

◆ Ex-officio Chairman of the Sab Commission (FAO's Asia-Pacific Forestry Commission) on Teak during 1955.

- ♦ In 1957 and 1958 he represented India at the Imperial Forestry Conferences.
- ♦ He compiled a bibliography on Teak.
- ♦ Inside our campus, right turn side road perpendicular to Trevor road (at the Trevor gate) was named after him.

4. Malcolm Vyvyan Laurie

- ◆ Selected to the Indian Forest Service and posted as ACF to Madras Presidency in 1925.
- **♦** Later appointed as central silviculturist to the Government of India at the forest research station at Dehradun.
- ◆ One of his outstanding achievements was the revision and enlargement of All India Teak Yield Tables.
- **♦** Was awarded the O.B.E. in 1947 for his work in India.
- ◆ Inside our campus, left turn side road perpendicular to Trevor Road on which we have our old mess & executive hostel was named after him.



As we walk down theese roads inside the campus, we notice that the trees along the roads have grown tall and dainty. They give life to birds like the hornbills, parakeets, leaf birds and the bulbuls. Insects thrive happily on them. The roads seem to come to life depicting the dedication and efforts of these foresters...

As though they are aware, after whom they are named..!!

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