

UHF students shine in ARS exam

Two students of the Dr YS Parmar University of Horticulture and Forestry (UHF), Nauni have brought laurels to the University by clearing the prestigious all-India Agricultural Research Service (ARS)- 2016 examination. What makes the selection even more special is that the two students beat thousands to bag the two seats from the three available in their discipline.

The students, Pempalamu Bhutia and Leishangthem Chanu Langlontombi hail from Sikkim and Manipur respectively. Both are students of the Forestry College at UHF. They have completed their MSc degrees from Nauni University and are presently pursuing PhD at the university. While Pempa is doing her PhD in Agroforestry, Leishangthem has chosen Silviculture for her doctorate research.

Agricultural Scientists' Recruitment Board conducts the ARS examination for postgraduates every year. Those who clear the ARS, get placed as scientists in any of the research centres of Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR). The examination consists of two stages, Preliminary and Mains Examination, after which the interview is conducted and merit list is made.



Ecstatic at the selection, both Pempa and Leishangthem thanked their teachers at the Forestry College for their guidance and support. Last year, both had reached the interview round of the examination.

“The selection of the two students in the reputed ARS is indeed a very proud moment for the entire university. Their selection is a motivation to all the other students studying in various departments of the university. The faculty of the university continuously motivates and prepares students for such competitive examinations”, said Dr HC Sharma, Vice Chancellor of the University.

Congratulating the students, Dean College of Forestry DrPK Mahajan said, “It is a special moment for the college as two of the available three seats in the Agroforestry discipline has been bagged by the students from our university”. He added that last year too, KaminiGautam, a student from the Forestry College had cleared ARS examination. She also beat tough competition to be selected among the final two in agroforestry.