Smt. Krishna Raj, Hon’ble Minister of state for Agriculture & Farmers Welfare visited ICAR-DCFR, Bhimtal on 13.5.2018. She visited the various laboratories and farm facilities in the Directorate. Dr. D. Sarma, Director, ICAR-DCFR appraised her about the multifarious scientific activities and different outreach programme taken for farmers in different Himalayan states. She commended the research and development works being carried out by making the best use of the available infrastructure. Further, she interacted with all the scientists and emphasized to take up need-based programme, which should reach to the farmers. She also advised for developing integrated farming systems for livelihood support to hill farmers and to organize awareness and training programme upto block level for disseminating technologies.