

Gangtok, Nov 4: (IPR) The team from International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movement (IFOAM) met with the Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Pawan Chamling at his residence at Mitokgang today. They thanked the Chief Minister for their hospitable stay and said that the beauty and warmth of the people is unmatched and unparalleled. Shri Bernward Geier, Chairman and general coordinator of OWA congratulated the Chief Minister for achieving such high economic growth while ensuring environmental sustainability.

The 9 member delegation team in their 8-day stay visited various places and during their visit the team examined and learned about the different aspects involved in the process of Organic farming in the state. They said that Sikkim was an example of Organic farming with a perfect balance of bio-diversity conservation, environmental protection and sustainable farming.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister thanked them with token of souvenirs from the state and said that though the state has become the first organic state of the nation, people must work collectively in making Sikkim a producer state and an Organic capital.

The team was accompanied by Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Agriculture Department Shri Puneet Kansal, Secretary Horticulture Shri Khorlo Bhutia and other senior officers of the Departments.

