

TALK SEIRES

Seminar 1: Know Your Home (Field trip along Sokanasini River)
18th January 2023

Dr. Suresh V., Assistant Professor, Dept. of Botany, Govt. Victoria College, PALAKKAD

Seminar 2: Man Animal Conflict

20th January 2023

S. Guruvayurappan, Wild Life Protection and Conservation Society Kerala

Seminar 3: Role of waste management in conservation

23th January 2023

Dr. Damaodaran P. N., HoD, Solid Waste Management Division, IRTC, Mundur, Palakkad

Seminar 4: Miracles of Microbes- Exploration of the Microbial world

24th January 2023

Dr. Prajith. T.M., Asst. Professor, Dept. of Botany, Sree Krishna College, Guruvayur.

Seminar 5: Eco friendliness of Organic Farming

25th January 2023

Suresh S. Onurpallam, Regional Advisory Board Member, NABARD

Seminar 6: Wonders of Science

30th January 2023

Akshaya Rajendran, Director (General), MANNU Kerala.

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REPORT – CHAKRA – 75

Platinum Jubilee Exhibition 2023, named CHAKRA – 75 was organised of with thefinancial support Directrate of Collegiate Education Thiruvananthapuram from 31th January 2023 to 1st January 2023. The exhibition was inagrated by Dr. R BINDU, Hon. Minister for Higher Education at 10.30 am on 31/01/2023. Sri. K Krishnankutty, Minister for Electricity chaied the inugaral session of CHAKRA – 75. Welcome Speech was delivered by Dr. Jyothiraj M, Assistant Director, Kerala Colegiate Education, TVM. An Overview on exhibition was done by Sri. Suresh Kumar K A, Co – Ordinator, Platinu Jubilee Exhibition, Govt. College, Chittur. Felicitation were done by Smt. K L Kavitha, Chairperson, Chittur - Thathamangalam Municipality, Sri. Mukesh M, Ward councillor, Chittur- Thathamangalam Municipality, Sri. Haridas A, Vice President, PTA, Govt. College, Chittur, Dr. K. Baby, Vice Principal, Govt. College, Chittur., Dr. P. Murukan, Co-ordinator, Platinum Jubilee Celebration, Govt. College, Chittur Dr. Manu Chakravarthy, Secretory to PTA, Dr. P Prabhakaran, fromer HoD, Dept.of Philosophy, Govt. College Chittur, and Dr. K. Jayadevan, Allumni Association, Govt. College, Chittur falicitated the function. Dr. Anuradha V K, Principal, Govt. College Chittur have delivered vote of thanks. The exhibition was organised for two days, 30/01/2023 and 30/02/2023.

The department of Botany has also organized the exhibition in connection with 75th anniversary of the college 0n 31st januaray and 1st February of 2023. The labs, museum, herbarium, class rooms and verandahs were used for the exhibition. The various groups of plants and plant parts were exhibited as part of the two day exhibition. There were medicinal plants of various groups like Nalpamaram, Ashtagandha, Dashapushpam, Dashamoolam, Thrikatu, Thriphala etc. There was a section on aquatic and wetland plants. The ornamental plant section gained the attention of the visitors. The main attraction of the exhibition

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was the heaviest and largest seed of the World – the seed of Double coconut, commonly known as coco- de- mer. The seed is a rare collection and only a very few institutions in India have this seed as a collection. It being an endangered species and a costly seed that fetches up to 2000 euros in the international market, there was huge crowd of visitors to the museum where the seed was exhibited. There was also a collection of indigenous and exotic fruits and vegetables. The students of botany were posted in every exhibition point to explain about the exhibits and to clarify the doubts of the visitors. There were nearly six thousand visitors on every day. The faculty members, non teaching staff and students wholeheartedly contributed to make this exhibition a great success.

Talks and training on various topics were also arranged in connection with the exhibition. Dr. Suresh V, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Botany, Govt. Victoria College, Palakkad has lead a field trip trip along Sokanasini River to create awareness on Biodiversity and its conservation – "Know Your Home" on 18th January 2023. On 20th January 2023 Sri. S. Guruvayurappan, Wild Life Protection and Conservation Society, Kerala interacted with the students and shared his field level experience in conservation and man-animal conflict and delivered a talk on Role of waste management in conservation. Dr. Damaodaran PN, Former Professor, Dept. of Biological Science, College of Natural Science, Keimyung University, South Korea and HoD, Solid Waste, Management Division, IRTC, Mundur, Palakkad has taken a class and lead a hands own training on waste management especially solid waste management on 23th January 2023. He familiaried the Munnar model of solid waste management and pointed out its uniqueness and need of development of localised inoculum for eco-friendly manangement of biodegradable solid wastes. Dr Damodaran has als lead a training programme on Mushroom cultivation and compost preparation.

Dr Prajith. T.M, Asst. Professor, Dept. of Botany, Sree Krishna College, Guruvayar, Thrissur has delivered a talk on Miracles of Microbes- Exploration



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of the Microbial world on 24th January 2023. Sri. Suresh S Onurpallam, Regional Advisory Board Member, NABARD and Director, Palakkad Sammisra Krshaka Producer Company has lead a workshop on Organic Farming and delivered talk on Ecofrienliness of Organic Farming on 25th January 2023. He actively participated and lead the programme titled "Nattarivinte Nerarivu" which involved hands-on training on determination of soil pH, preparation of organic pesticides, scientific interpretation and visualisation of Traditional Knowledge in field. Akshaya Rajendran, Director (General), MANNU Kerala has done a popular science talk on the topic "Wonders of Science" on 30th January 2023.





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