

Josephite (College Newsletter) 2023

1. World Environmental Day 2023' Celebration - Talk by Botanical Society on 5th June 2023.

The 'World Environmental Day 2023' Celebration organized by the Botanical Society took the form of an enlightening talk. The virtual event aimed to raise awareness about environmental issues and foster a sense of responsibility towards nature. Dr Sathish B N, Assistant Professor and Project Head at the College of Forestry, Kodagu, delivered an insightful talk on the importance of environmental conservation. His expertise in the field added depth to the discussion, providing attendees with valuable insights and potential avenues for environmental stewardship. With an impressive attendance of over 100 participants, the online platform allowed for widespread participation and engagement. Attendees actively participated in the discussion, posing questions and sharing thoughts on the significance of World Environmental Day and their role in preserving the environment.

2. Inauguration of 'Botanical Society' (2023-24) - Inauguration Talk on 12 August 2023.

The Inauguration of the 'Botanical Society' for the academic year 2023-24 commenced with an insightful Inauguration Talk. This Association Activity, organized by the Botany Department, aimed to inspire and engage students in the field of botany through the inauguration of the Botanical Society. Dr. Siddappa Setty R, a distinguished Senior Scientist from the Centre for Environment and Development, ATREE, Bengaluru, graced the occasion as the guest speaker. His talk focused on the role of botanical societies in fostering environmental awareness and the importance of botanical research in the context of sustainable development. With an audience of 60 participants, including students, faculty, and staff, the event facilitated active participation and engagement. Attendees had the opportunity to interact with Dr. Siddappa Setty R, posing questions and gaining valuable insights into the field of botanical science.

3. Inauguration of 'Council for Molecular and Computational Biology' (2023-24) on 19 August 2023.

The Inauguration of the 'Council for Molecular and Computational Biology' for the academic year 2023-24, organized as a Department Activity, was held at Aloysius Hall on August 19,

2023. The event aimed to establish a collaborative platform for students and faculty interested in molecular and computational biology. Dr. H Venuprasad IFS, the esteemed Regional Director of the Forest Survey of India, Bengaluru, graced the occasion as the chief guest and resource person. His keynote address focused on the significance of molecular and computational biology in the current scientific landscape, inspiring the audience to embrace the possibilities within the field. The event saw active participation from a diverse group of 60+ attendees, including faculty members, students, and other stakeholders. Participants engaged in discussions, expressing their enthusiasm for the establishment of the Council and the opportunities it brings for collaborative research and academic exploration.

4. National Wildlife Week 2023' Celebration by Botanical Society on 7 October 2023.

The 'National Wildlife Week 2023' Celebration, organized by the Botanical Society, took place as a series of talks at Aloysius Hall and the AV Room, PG Block. The event aimed to raise awareness about wildlife conservation and sustainable practices. Dr. Naresh Loudya, Assistant Professor at IISc, Bengaluru, delivered a captivating talk from 09:00 to 10:00 am at Aloysius Hall. His presentation focused on the significance of biodiversity in wildlife conservation, exploring current research and initiatives in the field. Dr. Arthur Selwyn Mark, Head of Sustainability Practices at Simsy Ventures, Bengaluru, presented from 01:00 to 2:00 pm in the AV Room, PG Block. His talk centered around the role of sustainable practices in preserving wildlife habitats and fostering biodiversity. With an active participation of 60 attendees, including students, faculty, and staff, the event provided a platform for meaningful discussions. Both talks sparked engaging conversations on the importance of wildlife conservation and sustainable living.

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