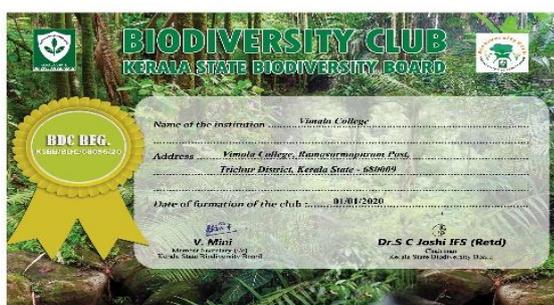


DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY
Biodiversity Club
(KSBB/BDC/08096/20)

Biodiversity club is a wing of Kerala State Biodiversity Board, which is run by Department of Botany. The club was guided by HOD Dr. Sheeja T Tharakan; spearheaded by Club faculty Coordinators Dr. Manju Madhavan, Dr. Jayalakshmi M and the student coordinators were Sreelakshmi Menon and Agnus Rose.

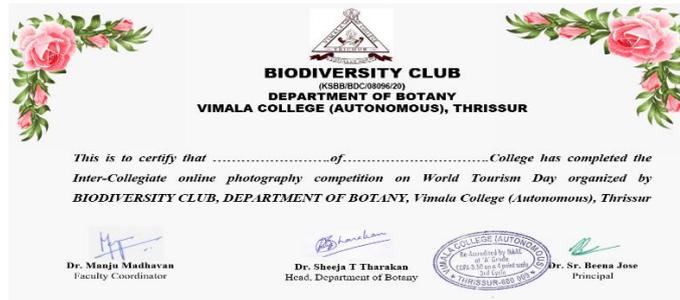


1. A virtual pookkalam competition - 'CORONAM', which was held on 29th August 2020. Here the participants had to make pookkalam with native flowers and sent a video of the same. The competitions were held with an aim of improving home gardening. There were 13 participants and winners were contributed by cash prize. All the participants were given participation certificates.



Pookkalam by Adhithya Raghu (1st prize winner)

2. On ozone day, the club organized a quiz competition which was attended by nearly 474 students. Of these, the students had scored the average of 61.7%. The competition was held with an aim of improving the skills, abilities, knowledge and also to create awareness about ozone layer and its importance among students. E- Certificates were provided for all participants.
3. An intercollegiate photography competition was organized on 27th September 2020 as in connection with world river day and tourism day. The competition was attended by 24 students. The competition was held with an aim to create awareness about the relevance of rivers in tourism field. Most of the participants uploaded self-taken photographs of the places that they had visited. E-certificates were provided only to the prize winners.



4. In connection with Gandhi Jayanthi, club organized a distinct photography competition ‘SEVANAVARAM’, where the participants had to make a Document of common exotic weeds with a photograph and its short description. The competition was extended on 2nd-9th October 2020. The competition was held with an aim to conserve common plants and to create awareness about exotic weeds and method for eradication. Most of the participants uploaded self-taken photographs of local exotic species along with its short description of that plant and its eradication method. 18 participants had uploaded their documents. Among them, the winners were given a cash prize of Rs.250 and Rs.100 each. All participants were given participation certificates.

WATER HYACINTH

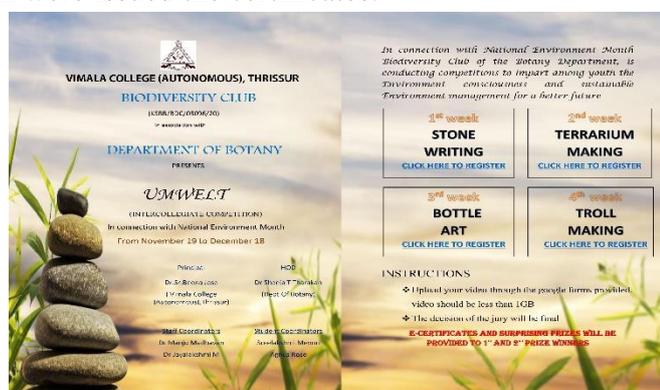


Pontederia crassipes, commonly known as water hyacinth, is an aquatic plant native to the Amazon basin, and is often a highly problematic invasive species outside its native range.

Efforts to control

Controlling water hyacinth plant is difficult due to its biomass and the leaf turnover rate is high with about 60% to 70% of leaves being replaced each month. The common controlling options, mechanical and manual removals, are almost the only ways approved to control the water hyacinth in different countries.

5. The final event conducted during this academic year was a series of competition viz. stone writing, terrarium making, bottle art and troll making, which was celebrated as part of National Environment Month (19th Nov – 18th Dec). There were only 6 participants and all were issued the certificates.



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(INTERNATIONAL YEAR 2020-21)
In connection with National Environment Month
From November 19 to December 18

1st week
STONE WRITING
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2nd week
TERRARIUM MAKING
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3rd week
BOTTLE ART
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4th week
TROLL MAKING
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INSTRUCTIONS

- Upload your video through the provided form provided, video should be less than 1GB
- The decision of the jury will be final

E-CERTIFICATES AND SURPRISING PRIZES WILL BE PROVIDED TO 1st AND 2nd PRIZE WINNERS