

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

World Environment Day 2019

Focal theme- Beat Air Pollution supported by KSCSTE

Department of Botany, Vimala College (Autonomous), Thrissur celebrated the World Environmental Day on 7th of June 2019 with the slogan “Beat Air Pollution”. Dr. Bindu G, Scientist at Nansen Environmental Research Centre India, led a seminar on “Air pollution and carbon sequestration”. A Malayalam poem was recited by Jokin Mariya. On behalf of World Environmental Day celebrations, an Interschool Drawing Competition was held at Department of Botany, Vimala College on 12th June 2019. Students from various neighbouring schools participated in the competition. The book “Zero waste – A Handbook on Waste Management” written by Dr. Sr. Silvy Mathew was published by the dignitaries, Dr. Sr. Beena Jose and Er Suseela Nair V. A. A sapling of Neermathalam was planted at the College premises as well. A seminar on the topic “Ways to reduce the air pollution” was led by Er. Suseela Nair V. A, Environmental Engineer, Kerala State Pollution Control Board, Thrissur. On 14th June 2019 as a part of World Environmental Day celebrations, a Power Point presentation was conducted by Student Representative Annmariya Jacob, S3 B Sc Botany on the topic “beat air pollution” for college students.





World Environment Day 2018 **Focal theme- Plastic pollution**

World environment day 2018 was celebrated on June 5th 2018. The chief guest of the day was social activist and renowned writer, Professor Sarah Joseph. Prof. Sarah Joseph signified the importance of Environment Day and stressed the impacts of plastic pollution to the nature and remedies to reduce its use. Ms Athira, department of Malayalam recited a poem on Environment.



World Environment Day 2017

Focal theme - Connect people to Nature supported by KSCSTE

Inauguration of Environment day celebration was conducted by the department of Botany of Vimala College in the auditorium on 5-6-2017. Chief guest Dr. Jos Kallarakkal, retired scientist, KFRI, Peechi delivered key note address. Inauguration of the programme was conducted by handing over a sapling of red sandalwood to the Chairperson of the college. A poetry on environment was recited by Ms. Swetha Somasundaram. An oath taking ceremony for the protection of environment was also included. The programme was sponsored and supported by KSCSTE. Interdepartmental essay writing competition, intercollegiate poster making competition and intercollegiate quiz competition sponsored and supported by KSCSTE was conducted in the department of Botany on 8-6-2017 and 13-6-2017 respectively. Its topic was Connect people to Nature.



World Environment Day 2016

Focal theme- Humans can be humane to the environment' supported by KSCSTE

World Environment Day celebrations inaugurated by Dr. Francis Xavier. He handed over a seedling to Ms. Pavithra, Chairman of Vimala College. He delivered a talk on 'Humans can be humane to the environment', he mentioned the recent issues regarding environment with special reference to Kerala and Athirapilly project. He also talked about the importance of conserving nature and stressed that it should not remain as merely planting seedlings but expected a live participation in conserving and protecting too. Intercollegiate essay writing competition conducted on "Humans can be humane to environment" on 21-6-2016. There were 16 participants from various colleges. An interdepartmental quiz competition was conducted by department of Botany on 24-6-2016 on the topic 'Nature and Environment'. There was an active participation of ten teams from various departments in the competition in the first level and six teams were selected for the second level. Dr. Jain J Therattil, Asst. Prof. in the department of Zoology, St. Aloysious College, Thrissur was the quiz master. Department of Botany conducted a seminar on Why conserve? The case of life in an undulating terrain named Kerala in connection with Environment Day celebration on 30-06-2016. Dr. T.V. Sajeew, Scientist, KFRI, Peechi was the resource person. In his speech he introduced the activities of KFRI, Peechi. He talked about many things that go unnoticed like seed setting in Hibiscus and feelings of plants. He also cautioned about the havocs that can happen in future if we act unfuturistic with special reference to Kerala.



World Environment Day 2015

Focal theme- Preserve Today Secure Tomorrow

This year Environment Day was celebrated on 5th June by the Botany Department. Seedlings of Pongamia, Red Sandalwood and Tectona were planted in Padukad campus. A competition was held on the topic "Kavimaram". Students were promoted to recite poems of their favourite and plant a seedling in the name of the poet. Poems and pictures were displayed in the venue. Interdepartmental oster making competition on the topic Preserve Today Secure Tomorrow on 9-7-2015. An interdepartmental quiz competition on Environment was conducted

by the department in association with NSS unit of Vimala College on 17-8-2015. Sr. Sinjumol Thomas was the quiz master. First prize was won by Varna Vijayan & Sandra MariaJ, Dept of Chemistry and second prize was won by Aiswarya Pradeep& Navami Sateesh Dept of English Prize distribution was done by Smt. Mariamma K George District Soil Conversation Officer.



World Environment Day 2014 Focal theme- Conserve Nature

Department of Botany, in association with Oushadhi, Thrissur celebrated the ‘World Environment Day’ on 5th June 2014 by planting medicinal plants in the college campus. The programme began with an oath taking ceremony to adopt an eco-friendly, sustainable lifestyle, to conserve energy and to green our daily routine. Rev. Fr. Francis Alappatt, inaugurated the programme by planting a medicinal plant in front of the campus. Each department planted their medicinal plants in the respective spaces allotted for planting. The awesome photos taken by Najeeb K.K during the rejuvenation of *Elangi* tree at Karyathani temple was also exhibited as a part of the programme.

