

BIODIVERSITY CLUB ACTIVITIES (2020 – 2021)

- On **06.07.2020**, a Community Awareness Programme was organized in connection with **World Zoonoses Day**. Dr. S. Bharathiraja, Assistant Professor, Department of Veterinary Biochemistry, Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Veterinary Education & Research, Puducherry delivered a talk on “**Strategies to Combat Zoonotic Diseases**”. The participants gained knowledge on biosecurity to overcome zoonoses by adhering to hygienic practices.
- On **29.07.2020** an Online Quiz Programme was conducted in connection with “**International Tigers Day**” to raise awareness about the ecological importance of tigers in the ecosystem, their protection and conservation.
- From **6th to 9th October 2020**, “**Wildlife Week – 2020**” was celebrated through online. On **06.10.2020**, a drawing competition on “**Sustaining all Life on Earth**” was organized for the students. A video on “Biodiversity Conservation” was telecasted to understand about the natural diversity and to sensitize the students to voice against wildlife crimes. On **07.10.2020**, an awareness lecture was delivered by **Mr.M.Rajesh**, PG & Research Department of Zoology, The American College, President- Tamil Nadu Forum, Madurai on the topic “**Know Environment Know Life**”. On **08.10.2020**, **Dr.R.Brawin kumar**, EDGE FELLOW, Zoological Society of London, United Kingdom highlighted the importance of Human-Animal relationship and conservation of Indian flora and fauna through his lecture on “**Conservation of Indian Biodiversity**”.
- On **09.10.2020**, the young minds of non biology students were ignited about the importance of nature and consciousness towards wildlife preservation through the presentation by Zoology students on the topics “**The Loyal Comrade**”, “**Natures Great Master Piece**” and “**Western Ghats Biodiversity Treasure**”.
- On **31.01.2021**, a **Virtual Ecotrip** to **Kodaikanal** was arranged for the club students by **Dr.M.Sangeetha**, Assistant professor, Department of Zoology. The students enriched their knowledge on biodiversity and the importance of preserving our nature.
- On **03.03.2021**, **Mr.A.Vivek Chandran**, Conservation Biologist, Society for Odonate Studies (SOS) delivered the awareness lecture on “**Diversity of Odonates with Focus on Wetland**”.
- On **08.03.2021**, a drawing competition was conducted in theme “**Treasures of Forest**” to create awareness among the students about conservation of forests.
- On **16.03.2021**, the students visited Forest College and Research Institute, TNAU, Mettupalayam to learn about the sericulture and vermiculture practices.