

## Report on National Seminar organized by Dept. of Botany

A seminar was organized on October 11, 2023 in Muralidhar Girls' College Auditorium by Dept. of Botany along with IQAC, Muralidhar Girls' college on **"Some Interesting Facts and Observations in Ethnobotanical Study"**. The honorable speaker was Dr. Gopal Krishna, Scientist, Botanical Survey of India. The talk was based upon tangible facts and observation of ethnobotanical data obtained during field studies in Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Odisha and West Bengal over a period of 14 years (2006-2020). It emphasized on the fact that although sound knowledge of ethnobotanical studies is useful for human welfare but superficial knowledge at times can be disastrous. The speaker also pointed on myths about usefulness of a plant/animal product among indigenous people which causes serious threat to their survival in wild.

The Programme started with Saraswati Vandana by Ahiri Naskar (student of Semester 3 Botany Honors), followed by an opening song (Rabindra Sangeet performed by Ashmita Chatterjee, Pratyusha Hazra and Paromita Mondal of Semester 3 Botany Honors and Shruti Poddar of Semester 1 Botany Honors).



The programme continued with lighting of the lamp by Principal Dr. Kinjalini Biswas, speaker and all faculty members of Dept. of Botany followed by felicitation of speaker and Principal madam respectively.



Lighting of lamp



Felicitation of speaker

Our principal inaugurated the programme with her inaugural speech and Dr. Shampriya Chowdhury, Associate Professor, Dept. of Botany introduced the speaker and the topic to the audience.



Inaugural speech by Principal



Introductory speech by Dr. Shampriya Chowdhury

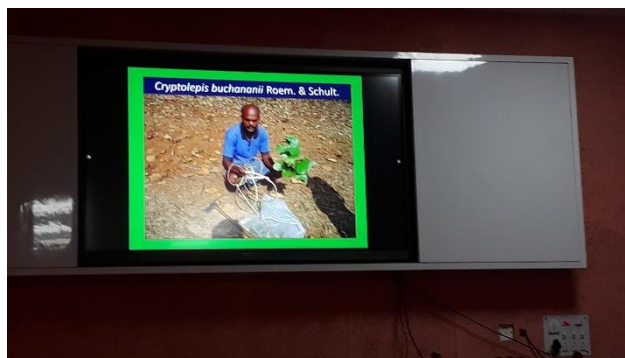
Seminar was interactive with active participation from students and faculty members. A question-answer session after the speech was conducted. Glimpses of the seminar are as follows.



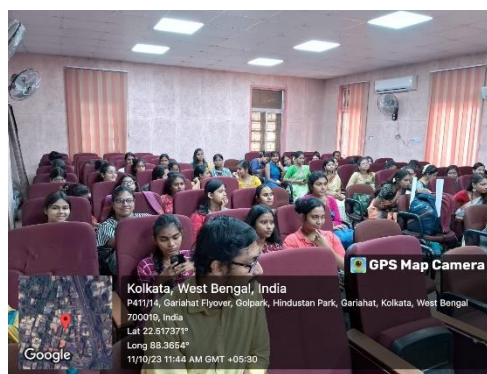
Delivery of speech



Informative slides

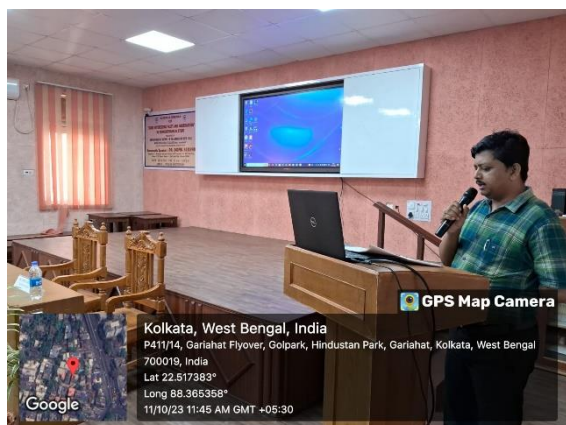


Ethnobotany data



Students' participation

Mr. Sontu Bugh, Head Dept. of Botany conducted the programme. Dr. Sangita Daschowdhury, Faculty, Dept. of Botany supervised the overall programme. Vote of thanks was given by Mr. Avik Mukherjee, Faculty, Dept. of Botany.



Programme conduction by HOD



Vote of thanks

The seminar was a great success and all the students and faculties participated received Certificate.