

**SUMMARY OF THE SPECIAL LECTURE ON “BIODIVERSITY OF  
HIMALAYAN REGIONS”**

***ORGANIZED BY***

**BOTANICAL SOCIETY, DEPARTMENT OF STUDIES IN BOTANY,  
UNIVERSITY OF MYSORE, MANASAGANGOTRI, MYSORE – 570006**

One day Special lecture on “Biodiversity of Himalayan Regions” was organized on 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022 at Linnaeus Hall, DOS in Botany, Manasagangotri, University of Mysore, Mysore at 12.00 noon.

Number of beneficiaries present were around 80 members in which 65 participants were students.


Special lecture was inaugurated by Professor. R.R. Rao, Former Director of BSI, Presided over by Dr. K.N. Amruthesh, Professor and Chairman, DOS in Botany, Manasagangotri, University of Mysore, and Dr. Rajkumar H. Garampalli, Secretary and Coordinator Botanical Society, DOS in Botany, Manasagangotri, University of Mysore, Mysore, The other dignitaries present were Dr. G.R. Shivamurthy (Retired Professor and Visiting Faculty), Professor Shobha Jagannath, Professor G.R. Janardhana, Professor S. Leclavathi, Professor M.S. Sharada, Professor M.S. Nalini, Dr. D.S. Chandrashekar (Scientist – D), Professor N. Lakshmidevi (Microbiology) and other academicians and Scientists from different Universities and Research organizations were present. Guest Faculties, Research

Scholars, M.Sc. Students and Office Staffs of our department were present and actively participated.

Professor R.R. Rao, Former Director of Botanical Survey of India, was the Chief Guest and Speaker of the day. They delivered the lecture on the hot topic of the globe/ society i.e., on "Biodiversity of Himalayan Region". They spoke briefly on the richness of the biodiversity in India, Diverse habitats like dry deserts, cold deserts, temperate, tropical habitats, wetland areas, Mangroves. Professor R.R. Rao also told that the Himalaya as an "Active Speciation Zone". After the detailed information on Himalayan Region Biodiversity, the topic was open for the discussion.

Later the day's Special Chief Guest Professor R.R. Rao, was honoured and felicitated by the Botanical Society by Dr. K.N. Amruthesh, Professor and Chairman, DOS in Botany, Manasagangotri, University of Mysore, and Dr. Rajkumar H. Garampalli, Secretary and Coordinator Botanical Society, DOS in Botany, Manasagangotri, University of Mysore, Mysore, The other dignitaries present were Dr. G.R. Shivamurthy (Retired Professor and Visiting Faculty), Professor Shobha Jagannath, Professor G.R. Janardhana, Professor S. Leelavathi, Professor M.S. Sharada, Professor M.S. Nalini and Guest Faculty members, for their achievements and for accepting the invitation for presenting a lecture at our department.

In the last, the programme was concluded by Vote of Thanks by Professor Rajkumar H. Garampalli, Secretary and Coordinator and Student Representatives Mr. Rajashekar and Ms. Kusuma.



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