

**BOTANY**

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### **ANNUAL REPORT**

The activities of Botany Association started with *World Environment Day* celebrations on **5<sup>th</sup> June 2014**. Prof. Jacob Kurian Onattu, Principal, Baselius College, Kottayam delivered a motivating message to students and stressed the importance of environmental protection. Dr. Annie Mathews (Vice Principal), Fr. Dr. Thomson Robi (Dept. of History) and 120 Students of various disciplines participated in the programme. We planted saplings of shrubs and trees to the available areas in the campus, especially in the Botanical garden. Students from D1, D2 & D3 participated in two wheeler fancy dress proclamation rally conducted in connection with 34<sup>th</sup> Baselius trophy. Department of Botany had won first prize in **Carol Song and Crib competition**, as a part of Christmas celebrations-2014. Our department actively participated in Golden Jubilee Science Exhibition –SUVARNA PRADARSHINI and won best Department stall award. In collaboration with Career Guidance and Placement Cell, conducted orientation programmes for D3 Botany students led by Mr. Kiran Kumar E, Director, Research World, Ernakulam and Mr. Sobin Mathew, ASAP trainer. As part of National Environment Awareness Campaign (**NEAC-2014**), Department conducted an exhibition, based on the theme **deforestation**. Department of Botany organized a **National Seminar, sponsored by UGC, on Ethnobotany and Plant Genetic Resource Management** on 16-17<sup>th</sup> December, 2014. Dr V. S. Ramachandran (Rtd. Professor, Bharathiyar University, Coimbatore), Dr. Joseph John (scientist, NBPGR-RS), Dr. John C. Mathew (Faculty, School of Environmental Science, M.G. University), Dr. Jomy Augustine (HOD, Dept. Botany, St. Thomas College, Palai), Dr. V. P. Thomas (Asst. Professor, Dept. Botany, Catholicate College, Pathanamthitta), Dr. Raju Antony (Technical Officer, JNTBGRI-Palode, Thiruvananthapuram) and Dr. Peter K. Mani (Asso. Professor, BCM College, Kottayam) were the invited speakers.

## ACHIEVEMENTS OF ASSOCIATION

- Botany association participated and won 3<sup>rd</sup> prize in inter departmental History exhibition conducted in connection with Jubilee History Exhibition held on 14<sup>th</sup> August 2014.
- Department of Botany won first prize in Golden Jubilee best stall award
- **Gireesh Kumar K. K.** (D1 Botany) won first prize in pencil drawing competition organized by MGOCSM
- **Emil T. Abraham** (D3 Botany) was selected as **Best NSS Volunteer in MG University.**
- **Gireesh Kumar K.K.** (first prize), and **Gadha** (second prize) (both D1 Botany) won the pencil drawing competition conducted by Dept. of English in connection with Hiroshima day.
- **Emil T. Abraham and Elizabeth R. Raju** secured First and Second Runner ups respectively in **Mr. and Mrs. Jubilee Baselian competition.**
- **Sandeep Sabu and Elizabeth Reeta Raju** of D3 botany secured **fourth position** in **All Kerala Inter-Collegiate Quiz competition** held at Dev Matha College, Kuravilangadu.