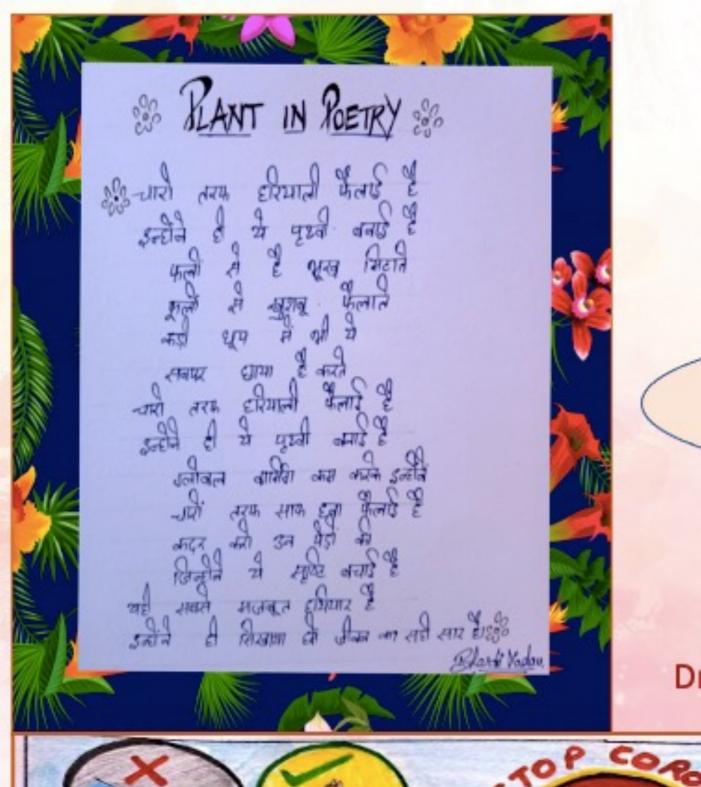


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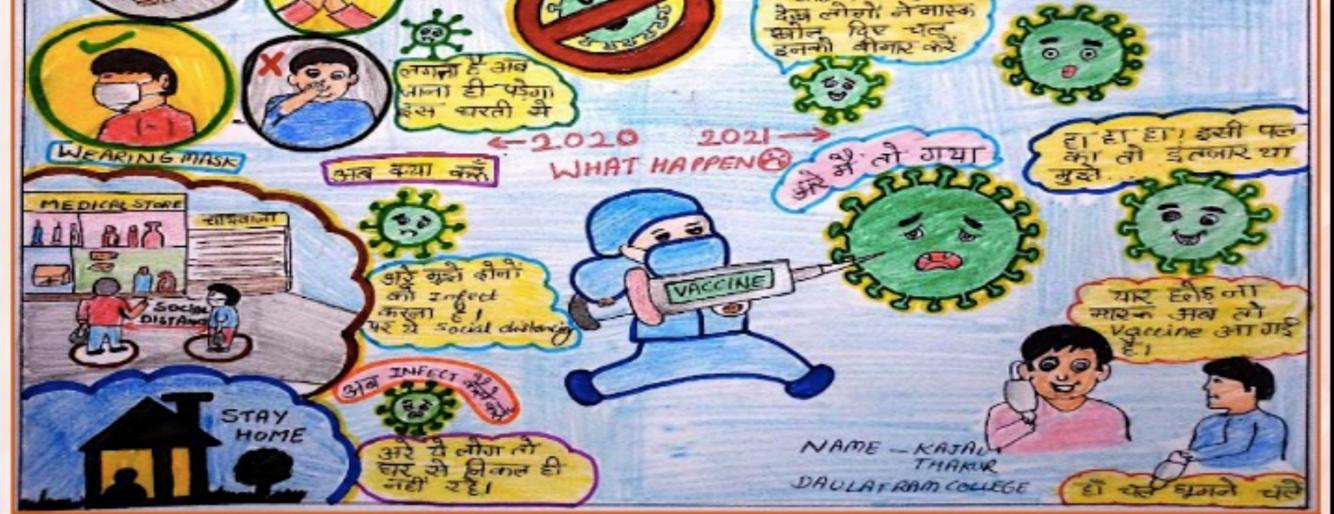
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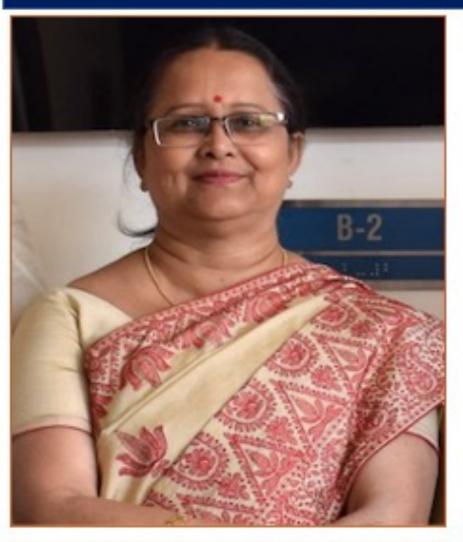
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Principal Dr Savita Roy has always been a motivational force behind the success story of Botany Department and Vasundhara. She encouraged us to organise several subject oriented co and extra- curricular activities for Botany students. Dr Roy appreciated prizes won by our students in inter-college competitions organised by other colleges. I am sure that she will feel proud looking at the record list of prize winners of the 2020-21 session. On behalf of my department and my own behalf I extend my most sincere THANKS and REGARDS to Dr Roy.

#### THE NOTE FROM STAFF ADVISER'S AND TIC DESK

I am an admirer of symmetry, asymmetry and wide array of designs displayed by invaluable biodiversity since my childhood. The passion grew with age that driven me to study Botany for my masters degree. As I studied more about plants, the interest kept on growing with time that is difficult to die. I enjoy the most in the company of nature and plants. As a teacher, my wish is to bring students closer to plants. I want my students to keep their interest in plants alive throughout their life as we learn many lessons from these beautiful mute creatures. Various activities organised by Vasundhara were focussed on Biodiversity and its immense importance.

Dr Nidhi Gautam

#### THE NOTE FROM STAFF ADVISER'S AND TIC DESK



Working with the "Nature " and for the "Nature" under the guidance of Nidhi Ma'am and Principal ma'am, has always been an enthusiastic experience. "Vasundhara" The Botanical society has been working on it's goals for the conservation of biology and sustainable ecosystem. The huge participation of the students in various activities and conferences shows that students are sensitive and aware about their responsibilities towards the environment. Vasundhara provides all possible opportunities to the students to learn and implement. I am thankful to the principal ma'am and Nidhi ma'am for their support and guidance and I also congratulate all the members and the winners of the society for their achievements. Dr Meenakshi Sharma

# "VASUNDHARA" BOTANICAL SOCIETY TEAM

#### STAFF ADVISORS DR NIDHI GAUTAM (*TIC*) DR MEENAKSHI SHARMA

## **FACULTY MEMBERS**



**Dr Rama Pasricha** 



Dr Rekha Kathal



**Dr Meenam Bhatia** 



Dr Sunita George



Mrs. Neeti Yadav



Dr. Vidhi Chaudhary



Dr M. Leleeka Devi



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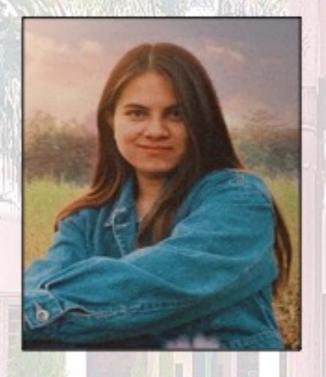
## **"VASUNDHARA"** BOTANICAL SOCIETY TEAM TEAM OF THE OFFICE BEARERS







President – Priyanka III H Vice President– Aakriti Singh III H Secretary– Mansi Vatwani II H



Treasurer- Gayatri Deka II H



Joint Secretary- Subhra Yadav I H

**CLASS REPRESENTATIVE** 



# **BOTANY DEPARTMENT**

Department of Botany is one of the most active departments of the college. The Department was awarded STAR status by DBT, Govt. of India in 2014. It has well qualified teaching faculty and trained lab staff.

Every year approximately 40 Students pass out Botany (Hons) course and more than 60% go for masters degree.

We remain connected to our alumnae, guide them to further their studies and future endeavors. The Botanical Society "VASUNDHARA" is an integral part of the Department that has more than 45 glorious years of its existence.

### **BOTANICAL SOCIETY- VASUNDHARA 2020-21**

Vasundhara, the Botanical Society of DRC believes in holistic development of its student members with an objective to provide them a wide platform where they can exhibit their coand extra -curricular skills by organizing various subject oriented, interesting inter-college and inter-class competitions on regular basis. It added another glorious chapter this year under the dynamic leadership of Dr Nidhi Gautam (TIC) and Dr Meenakshi Sharma In spite of restrictions due to Covid pandemic, a series of activities including National Webinars, SDPs, workshops and inter-class as well as inter-college competitions were arranged successfully online. Class representatives happily took over the responsibility of maximum participation of their classmates in various competitions. Student members participated in large number and brought laurel by winning several prestigious prizes at reputed Colleges of Delhi University.

#### COMPETITIONS AND ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY VASUNDHARA ARE LISTED BELOW:

- Collage making on "Biodiversity in our vicinity" on 5th June 2020
- "Plants in Poetry" on 9th September 2020
- Slogan writing on "Ozone layer protection" on 16th September 2020
- Bookmark Making on 2nd September, 2020 on the Theme-"Coconut tree" 24 entries
- On the spot Article Writing Competition on 30th September, 2020 on the theme "All life forms need to be protected" 10 entries
- Meme making on "Biological concepts" on 7thOctober, 20 20

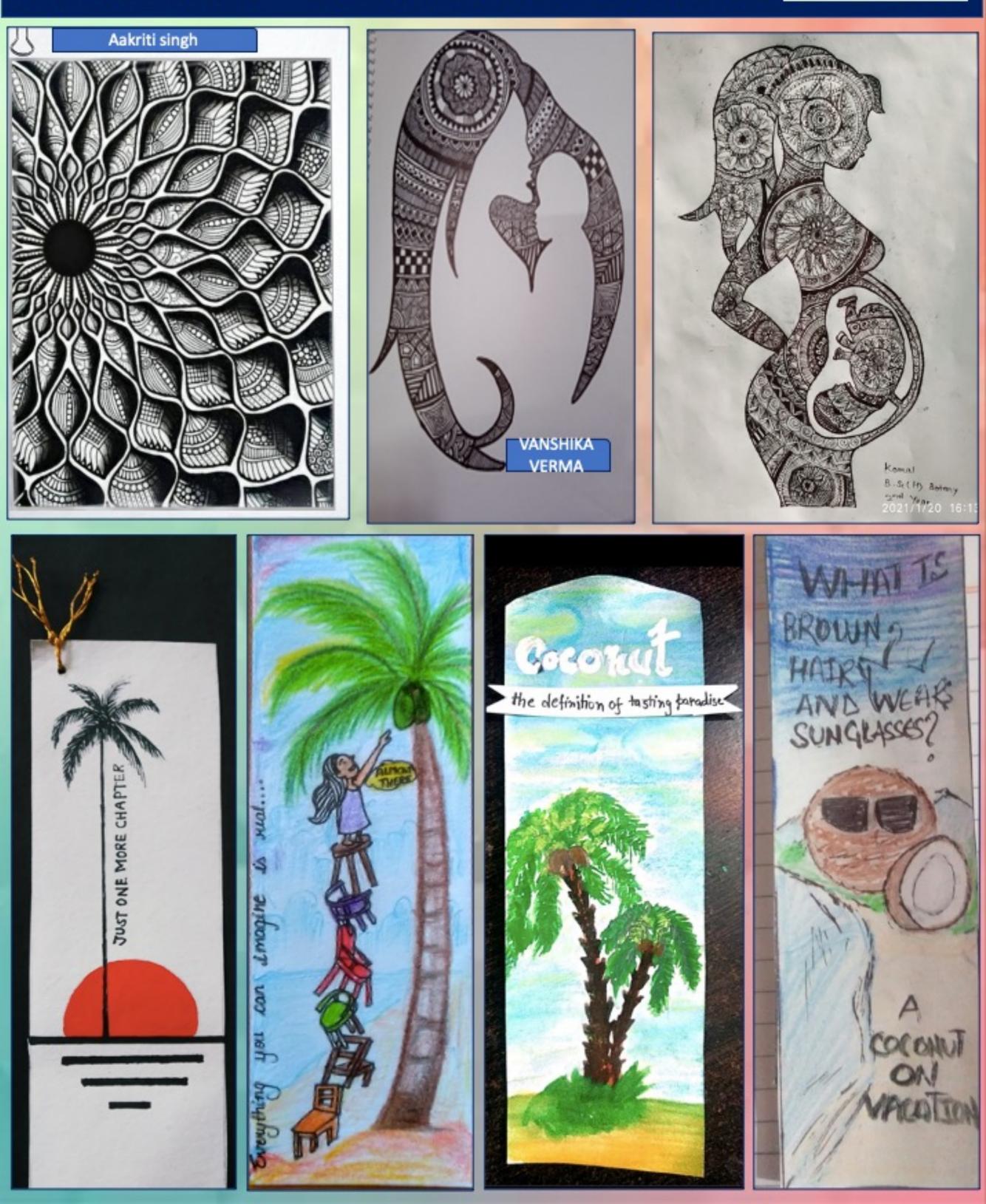
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Sketching competition on 23 Dec 20 for I H "Nature as I see"
"Swirl the art" a Floristic Mandala Competition on 20th January, 2021

 Paper presentation on "The Existence of Climate Change and its Sustainable Solution in India" on 10th February, 2021
Paper presentation on "Alien species bane or boon" on 17th February 2021 DAULAT RAM COLLEGE



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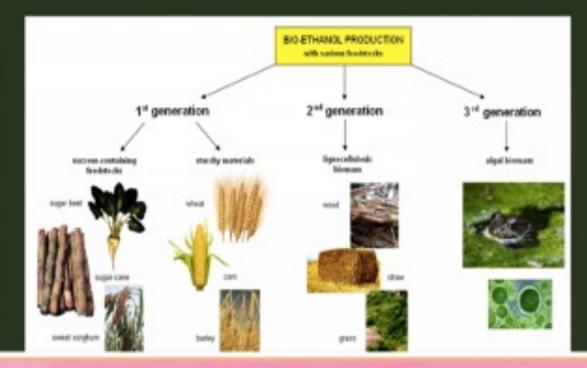
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#### TYPES OF BIOFUELS



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- It is resistant to a high degree of aridity, allowing it to grow in desert
- The <u>Government of India</u> has identified 400,000 square kilometres (98 million acres) of land where <u>Jatropha</u> can be grown.
- Jatropha plantations have been undertaken in Udaipur, Kota, Sikar, Banswara, Chittor and Churu districts

## Sketching competition held on 23 Dec 20 for I H

**THEME** - "NATURE AS I SEE"

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Event- Book Mark making, THEME- "COCONUT TREE" Total Entries received- 24 First Prize: Soonalakshmi III H Ruchi Nigam II H Second Prize: Ritika Negi III H Anjali Khugshal II H Harshita Jain III H Himanshi Dahiya II H Shrishti Jangwan III H Third Prize:

Event – Plants in Poetry held on 9th September 2020 First Prize- Ritika Negi III H Second Prize- Priyanka III H Mohini III H Third Prize- Kajal Thakur II H **Consolation Prize- Shrishti Jangwan III H** Gayatri Deka II H Mansi Vatwani II H Event - Slogan Writing held on 16th September 2020 First Prize- Harshita Jain III H Aabha Tripathi II H Second Prize- Mehak Chaudhary II H Ritu Yadav II H Ritika Negi III H Third Prize- Mansi Vatwani II H Encouragement Prize- Aakriti Singh III H

Event- Essay Writing Competition held on 30-9-2020

THEME — "ALL LIFE FORMS NEED TO BE PROTECTED"

Neha Yadav III H Ankita III H Aarushi Goel II H Encouragement Prize: Nancy III H Mehak Chaudhary III H Iqra Parveen II H	First Prize: Shrishti Jangwan III H Second Prize : Komal III H Mansi Vatwani II H Third Prize: Priyanka III H Gayatri Deka II H Encouragement Prize: Sonal II H	
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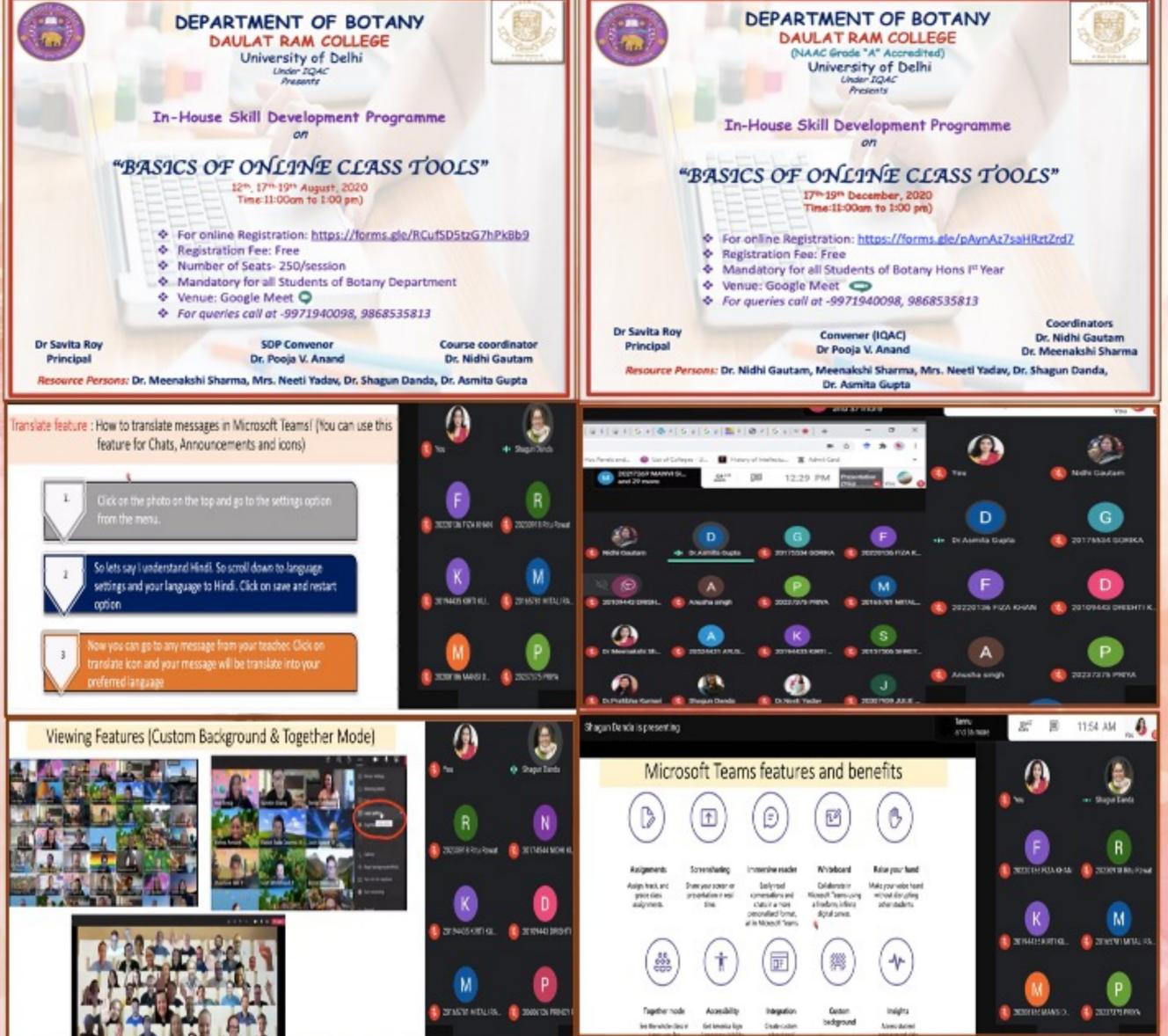
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#### SDP-IN-HOUSE SKILL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMS

- To familiarise our students with different tools used in online teaching, FOUR day SDP 1 was arranged on "Basics of Online Class Tools" on 12th, 17th to 19th August 2020
- SDP 2 on "Basics of Online Class Tools" was organised specially for First year Botany Hons students who were admitted late and didn't attend SDP 1 from 17th to 19th December 2020.

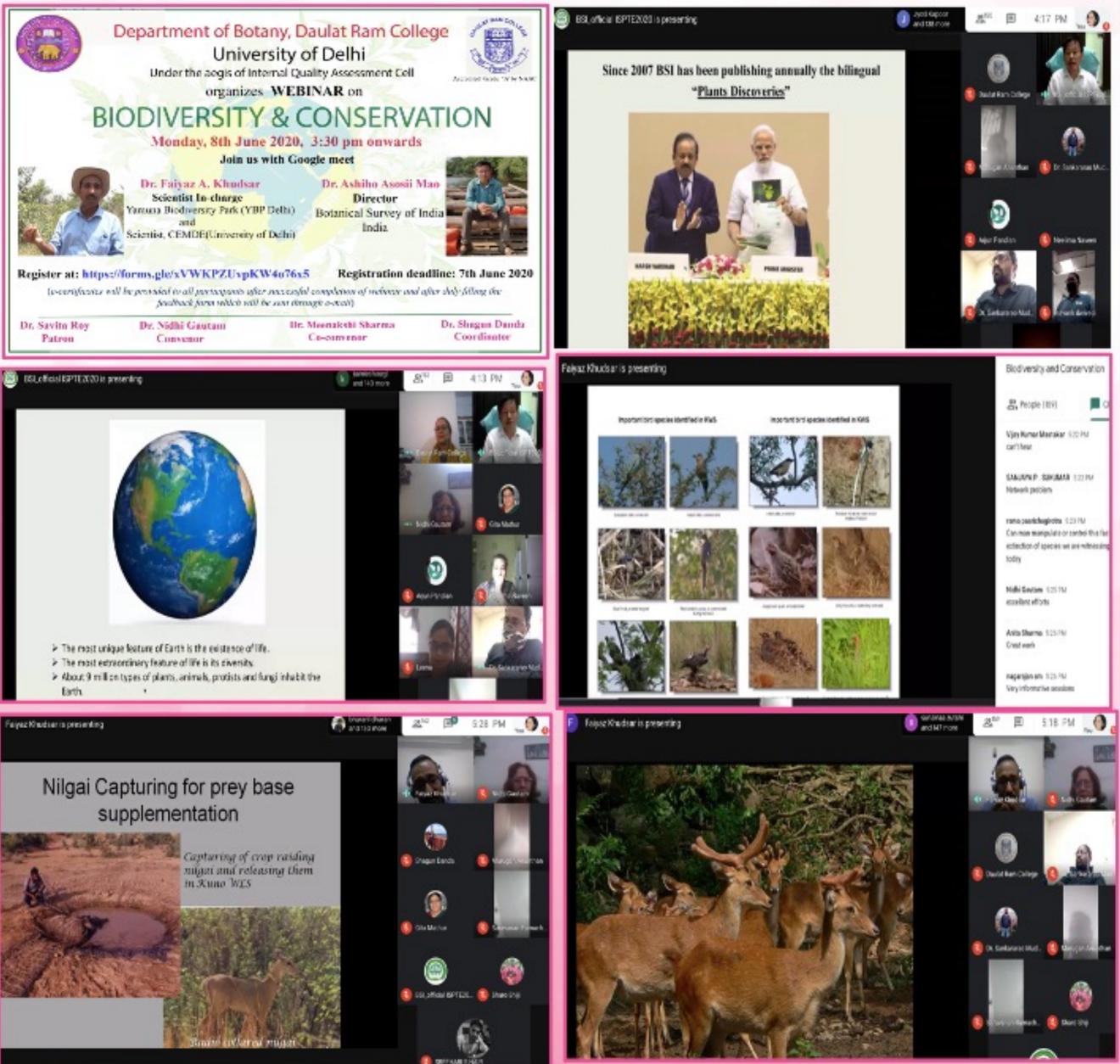


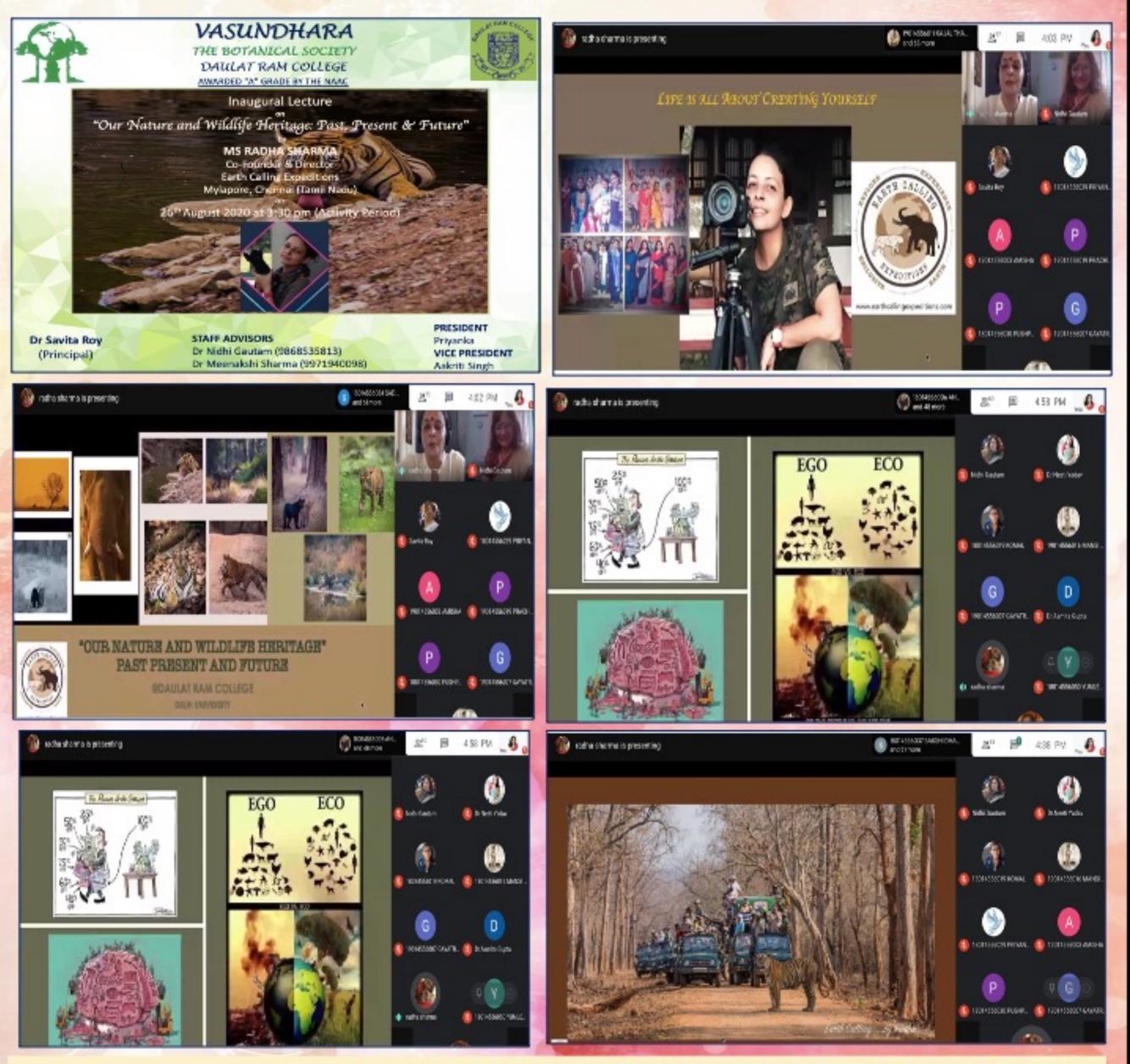




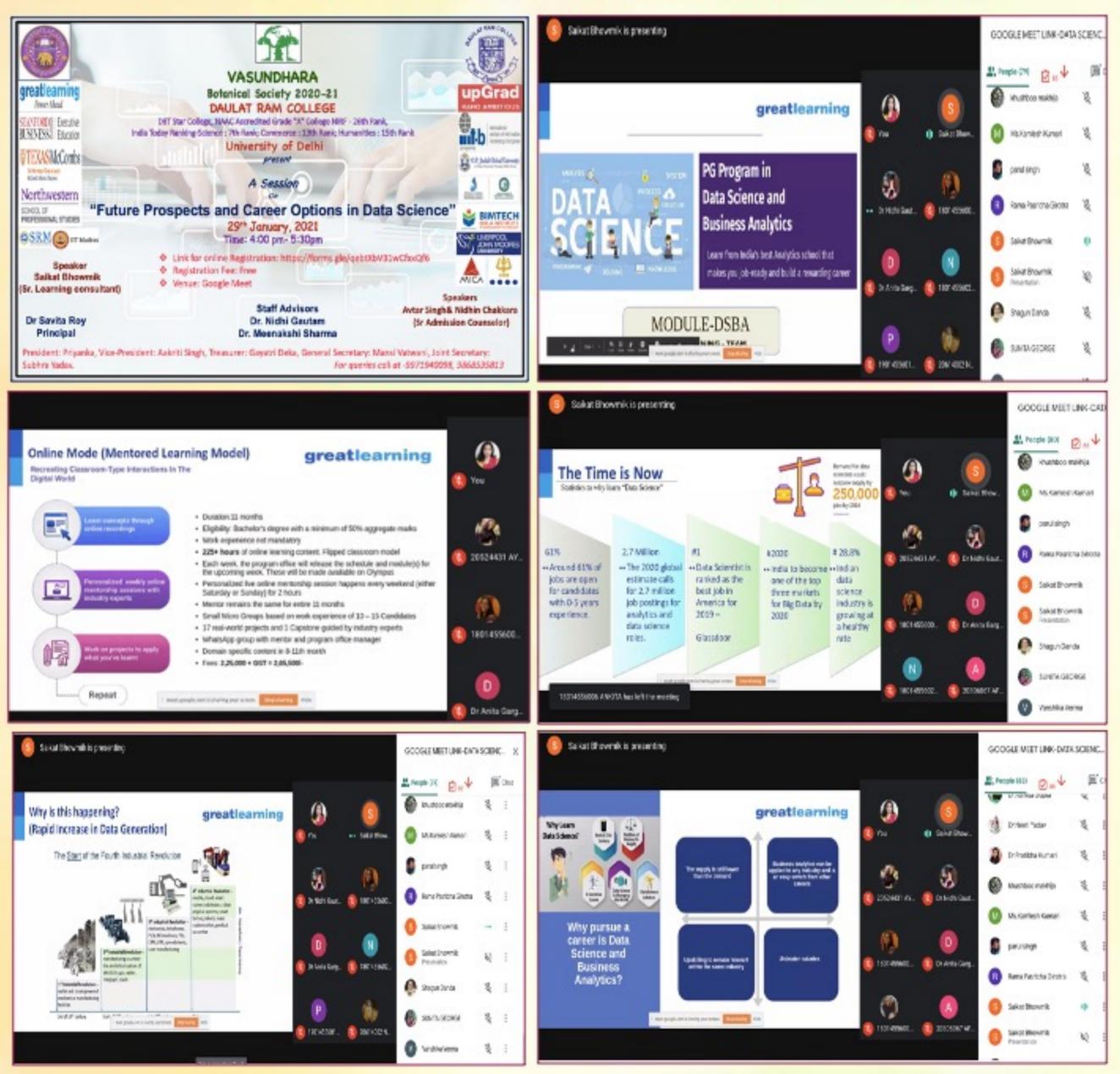


National Webinar on "Biodiversity and Conservation" on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2020 Dr A.A. Mao, Director, Botanical Survey of India, H.Q. Kolkata and Dr Faiyaz A. Khudsar, Scientist In-charge of Yamuna Biodiversity Park addressed to more than 180 participants.





An inspiring lecture on "Our Nature and Wildlife Heritage: Past, Present & Future" by Ms Radha Sharma, Co founder and Director, Earth Calling Expeditions, Mylapore, Chennai was organised on 26<sup>th</sup> August. Ms Radha, one of our bright alumnae (1996-1999), teacher and a passionate wildlife photographer formally inaugurated the Botanical Society for 2020-21 and shared her personal experiences of wildlife safaris. She emphasised on the importance of Tiger, the umbrella species of forest ecosystem and its conservation.

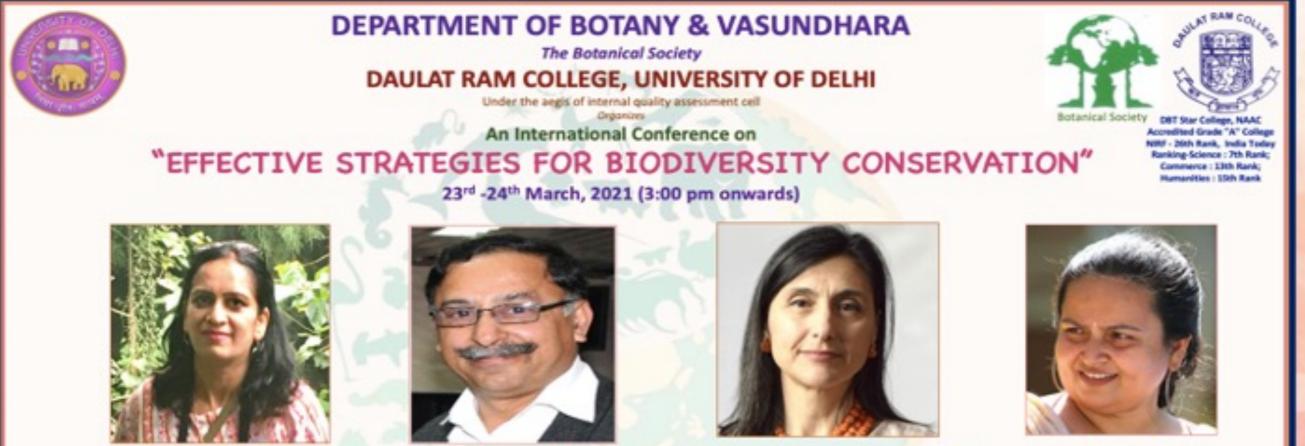


Webinar on "FUTURE PROSPECTS AND CAREER OPTIONS IN DATA SCIENCE" on 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 was aimed to expose students specially III yr to various opportunities available in this relatively new but fast emerging field at National and international levels.

More then 150 students attended the webinar and clear their doubts

23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> March, 2021, Department of Botany and Vasundhara On the Botanical Society successfully organized a very first International Conference on "EFFECTIVE STRATEGIES FOR BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION" under the of aegis able guidance of Prof. Savita Roy (Principal) and the Sarita IQAC and Dr Nanda (Vice Principal).

The main focus of the conferences was to discuss various in-vivo and in-vitro practices of protecting and preserving the Biodiversity and ecosystems. Various aspects of sustainable biodiversity conservation like framing of Environmental policies, establishment of Biodiversity parks, use of Genomics techniques for biodiversity analysis etc. were deliberated upon justifying the theme of the conference as "EFFECTIVE STRATEGIES FOR BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION". A total 116+ registrations were received and more than hundred participants were present on both the days of the conference. Several studies conducted on the role of Biodiversity in the formation of novel drugs, economic growth of the country and its effects on climate change, mismanagement of natural resources harming biodiversity were presented during the conference. Helping and local communities and individuals secure rights to use natural resources and involving local communities in responsibly managing them can prevent or minimize conflict and provide opportunities for achieving higher economic growth. All these aspects were extensively covered with live videos, true stories, laboratory data, published research papers and animation techniques.



Dr. Ekta Khurana Scientist and Ecologist **Biodiversity Parks Programme** YBP-CEMDE, University of Delhi

Professor, V. C. Kalia National Research Foundation Department of Chemical Engineering Konkuk University, (Republic of Korea) Link for online Registration: https://forms.gle/4yVMeVicJFKrr8Dd7

Professor, Maria Teresa Ceccherini Department of Agrifood and Environmental Science, University of Florence, Italy

Dr Monalisa Sen Programme Coordinator (Biodiversity), ICLEI-South Asia

Patron Prof. Savita Roy (Principal)

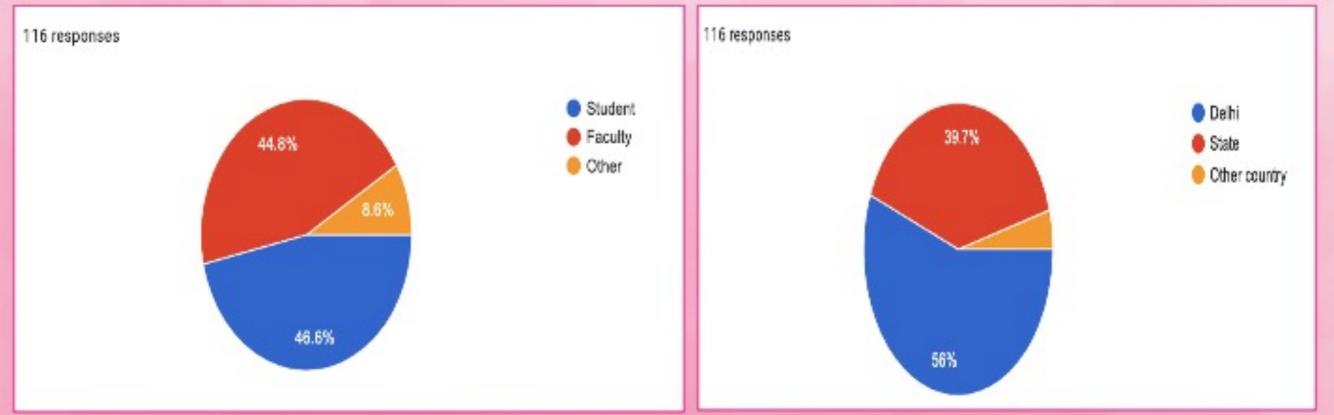
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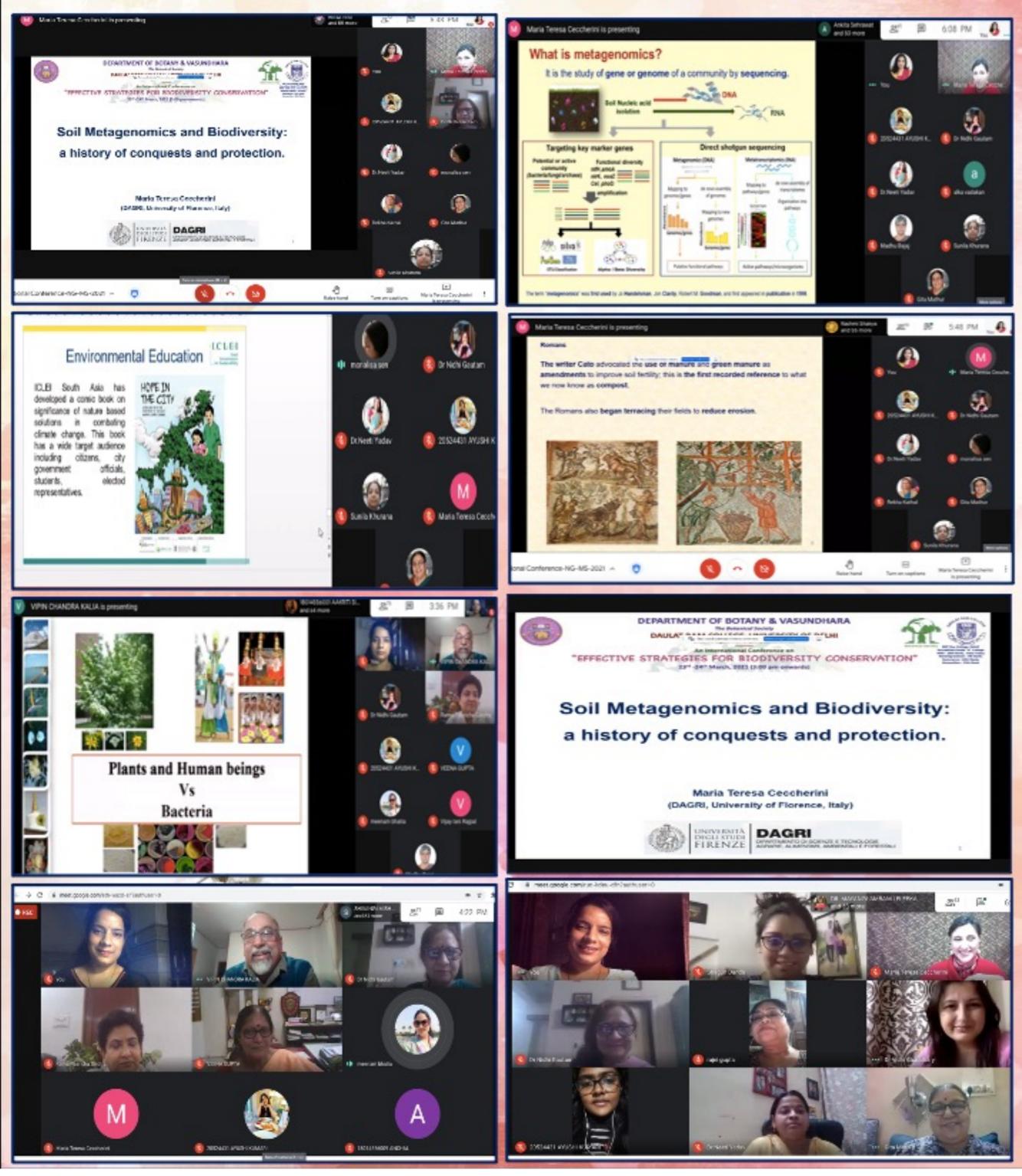
Organizing committee: Dr Rama Pasricha, Dr Rekha Kathal, Dr Meenam Bhatia, Dr Sunita George, Ms. Neeti Yadav, Dr Vidhi Chaudhary, Dr M. Leleeka Devi, Dr Aradhana Yadav, Dr Pratibha Kumari, Dr Asmita Gupta, Dr Shagun Danda, Dr Kamlesh Kumari For queries call at: 9971940098, 9868535813, 9899965233, E-certificates will be provided to all the participants after successful completion of conference and after duly filling the feedback form which will be shared

- Department has approached many renowned Professors and Scientist from all over the world as key note speakers. Prof V. C. Kalia from National Research Foundation (Republic of Korea), Department of Chemical Engineering, Konkuk University, Seoul, Republic of Korea was the first Keynote speaker of the event who extensively explained about the "Novel Drugs to Target Psycho-Pathogenic Bacteria" by quench sensing technique.
- Dr. Ekta Khurana, Scientist in Yamuna Biodiversity Parks Programme CEMDE, University of Delhi, shared her personal experiences, narrated true stories and delivered an engrossing lecture on "Delhi's Biodiversity Parks: Restoring environmental quality and Health".
- The third key note speaker of the day was Dr. Monalisa Sen, She is working as Programme Coordinator (Biodiversity) in ICLEI-South Asia. Dr Sen explained various hidden aspect of policies of governance in India for Urban Biodiversity conservation.
- > The conference ended on second day with the lucid talk of fourth key note speaker Professor, Maria Teresa Ceccherini from the Department of Agri-food and Environmental Science, University of Florence, Italy. Prof Maria's was beautifully animated and explained greatly how modern and advanced genomics techniques play crucial role in Biodiversity conservation. Her talk on "Soil Meta-genomics and Biodiversity: a history of conquests and protection" was very interactive and thought provoking. During the conference, participants specially students had a great listen and interact with learned personalities about opportunity to Biodiversity conservation and its impact on life. The active involvement of faculty members of various colleges made the International conference big success and motivated us to organize more such events in a

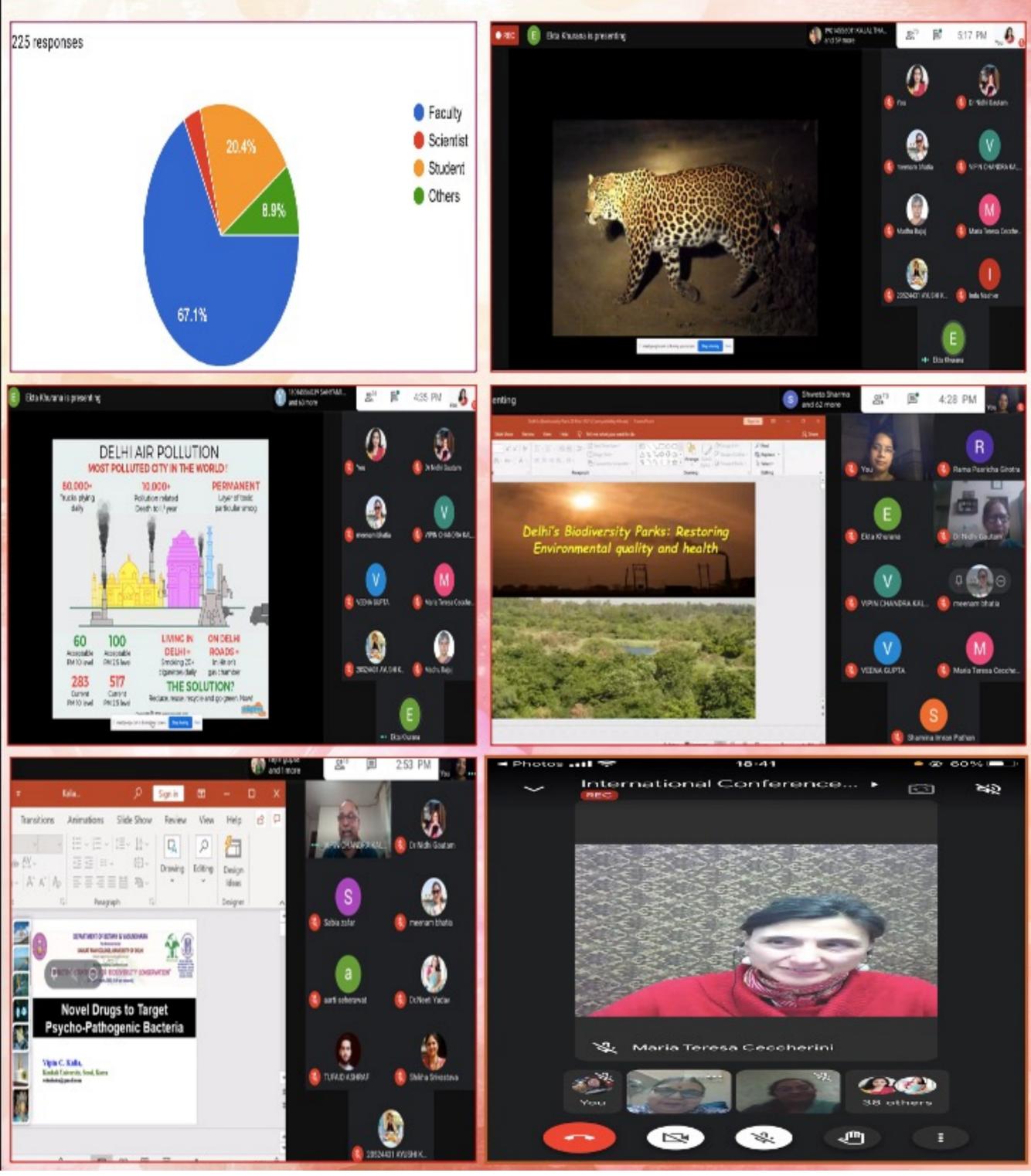
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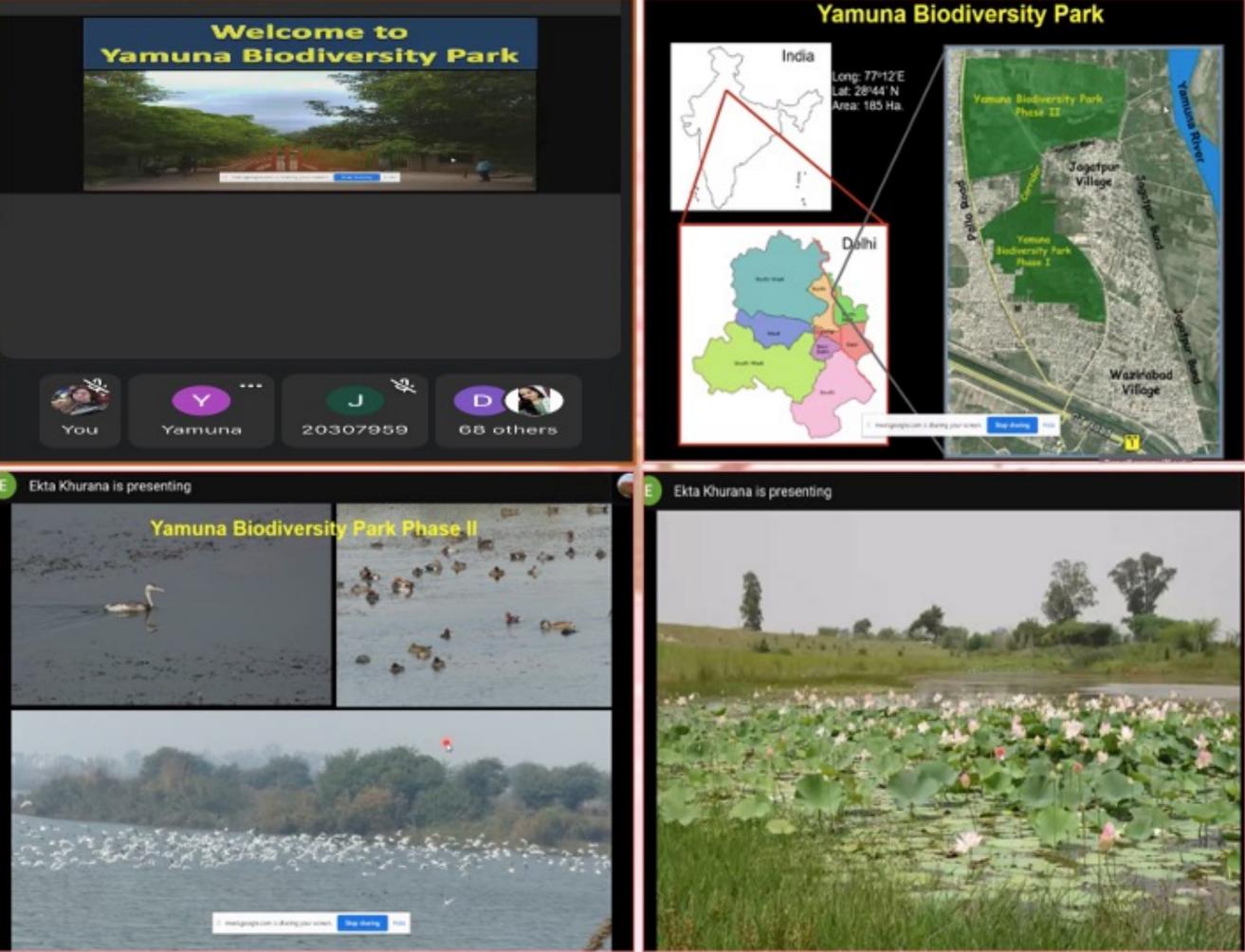
## National Invited Talk on "National Genebank-Conserving Biodiversity for Food Security" Convenors: Dr. Nidhi Gautam & Dr. Meenakshi Sharma

A national talk on GeneBank's role in conserving biodiversity for food security was organised on 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2021 and amazing talk delivered by DR. Veena Gupta, Principal Investigator of National Bureau of Plant Genetic Resources (ICAR-NBPGR), New Delhi. This talk provided an invaluable platform for discussions and knowledge sharing among experts, faculties and students. More then 100 students ware attended the event. It underscored the critical importance of preserving genetic diversity through GeneBanks to tackle the challenges posed by climate change and promote sustainable agriculture. By recognizing the significance of GeneBanks and fostering collaborations, we can work towards a more food-secure and sustainable future. The event concluded with a call to action for continued efforts to conserve biodiversity and ensure the availability of diverse genetic resources for a resilient and thriving agricultural sector.



## **ANNUAL FEST ORCHIDZ' 2021**

Three day inter-college annual fest of Botanical Society was organised from 24th to 26th February 2021. The Paper Presentation event for the running Deepika Vigyan Trophy on "Role of Plants in Finance and Economic growth of our Country" was held on 24th and the Trophy was won by Sachit from Kirori Mal College. Other inter-college activities were Botanical Quiz, Botanical Antakshri, Photography, Waste to Best and Floral Dress Designing competitions that witnessed active participation of around 10 colleges of Delhi University. On the last day Dr Faiyaz A. Khudsar, Scientist In- charge of Yamuna Biodiversity Park delivered a lecture on "Restoration of Ecosystem". Dr. Ekta Khurrana, Senior Scientist, Mr. Mohan Singh and Mrs Preeti Vohra, Education Officer at YBP took us trough an amazing virtual tour of the Biodiversity Park.





#### **IMPRESSIVE ACHIEVEMENT LIST OF BOTANY HONS STUDENTS**

- Mehak Chaudhary II H Second Prize Poem competition at KMC
- Iqra Parveen II H Third Prize in Poster making at Kalindi College
- Priyanka Rani II H Second Prize in Litter to better at Deshbandhu College
- Priyanka Rani II H First Prize in Poster Making at Zakir Hussain Delhi College.
- Priyanka Rani II H Second Prize in Poster Making at Kirori Mal College.
- Urvashi Choudhary II H First Prize in Treasure hunt at Ramjas College
- Urvashi Choudhary II H First Prize in Idea Presentation at Shaheed Rajguru College of Applied Sciences
- Rashmi Kaushal II H First Prize in Quiz Competition at Kalindi College
- Sonal II H Second Prize in Story Writing Competition at Kalindi College
- Kajal Thakur II H Second Prize in Meme Making Competition at Hasraj College
- Kajal Thakur II H First Prize in Poster Making Competition at K M College
- > Ayushi Kumari I H Third Prize in Anatomical Sketching Competition at Dyal Singh College.
- Ayushi Kumari I H Third Prize Painting Competition "Nature is the inspiration of every artist" at Kalindi College
- Ayushi Kumari I H First Prize in Face Painting hosted by Ritva Foundation of DRC and Miranda House
- Ritika I H Third Prize in Graphic Designing at Thapar University, Patiala
- Priya I H Second Prize in Photography at Ramjas College
- Tannu I H First Prize in Poetry Competition organised by Poetry Society of DRC
- Princy Pathak I H Third Prize in Story Writing Competition at Kalindi College
- Priya I H Second Prize in Photography Competition at Ramjas College
- Garima and Anamika III H First Prize and Running Trophy in Botany Quiz at Hansraj College
- Komal III H First Prize in Botanical Quiz at Ramjas College
- Komal III H First Prize in One Act Play at Kalindi College
- Komal III H Second Prize in Meme Making Competition at Kalindi College.
- Komal III H First Prize in One minute talk at Kalindi College.
- Komal III H First Prize in Botanical JAM at Kirori Mal College.
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- Komal III H First Prize in Botanical Quiz at Zakir Hussain Delhi College.
- Komal III H Second Prize in Botanical JAM at Zakir Hussain Delhi College.
- Aakriti Singh and Komal III H First Prize in Quiz competition at Zakir Husain Delhi College
- Aakriti Singh III H Consolation Prize in E-poster Designing Competition at Deshbandhu College
- Tanvi Gupta III H First Prize in Photography Competition organised by Zoology Society, DRC
- Shrishti Jangwan III H First Prize in Story Writing Competition at Kalindi College
- Nancy III H Third Prize in Quiz Competition at Kalindi College
- Ritika, Harshita and Tanvi III H Second Prize in Video ad Making Competition at DDU College
- Chhavi ,Gayatri,Yukti and Urvashi II H First Prize in Idea Presentation Competition at Shaeed Rajguru College of Applied Sciences
- Mansi Vatwani, Abha Tripathi and Yukti Dhingra II H Second Prize in Botanical Quiz at Maitreyi College
- Mansi Vatwani II H Second Prize in Botanical Meme Competition at Dyal Singh College

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- Ayushi Kumari I H First Prize in Academic Diagram Making Competition at Hansraj College
- Ayushi Kumari I H First Prize in Face Painting Competition organised by RITVA (DRC + MH)
- Ayushi Kumari I H Third Prize in Painting Competition at Kalindi College.
- Ayushi Kumari I H Third Prize in Anatomical Sketching Competition at Dyal Singh College
- Tannu and Akshita I H Third Prize in Paper Presentation a Third Prize at Miranda House
- Ritu Rawat I H Snap it-Floral Zoom, Photography Competition at Kirori Mal College
- Chhavi II H Second prize in Paper Presentation at Kirori Mal College
- Ritika I H Second Prize in Digital Art Competition at P.G.D.A.V. College
- Ritika I H Third prize in Graphic designing Competition at Thapar University Patiala.
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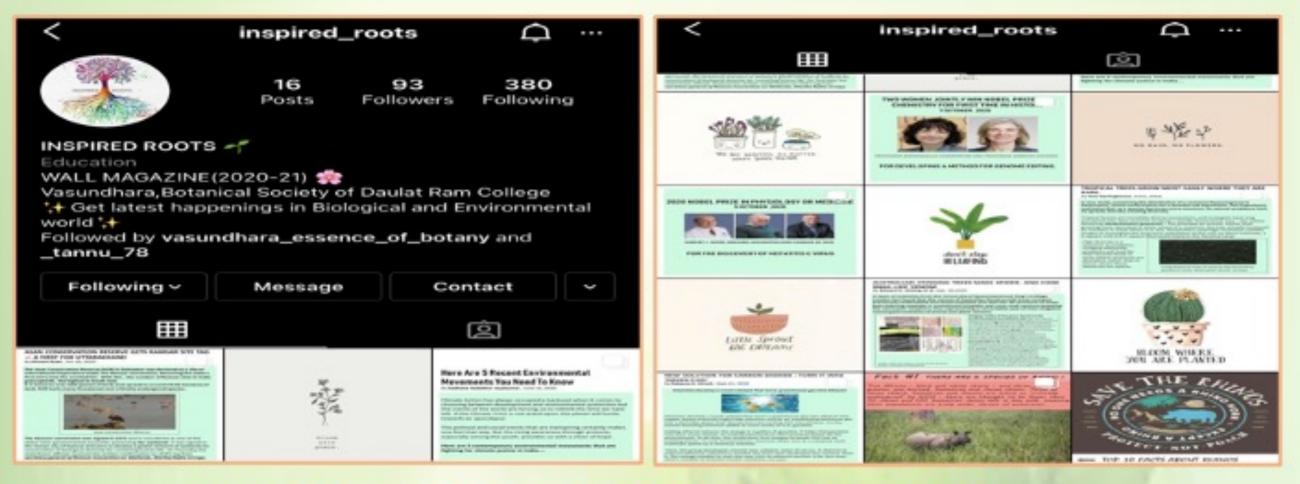
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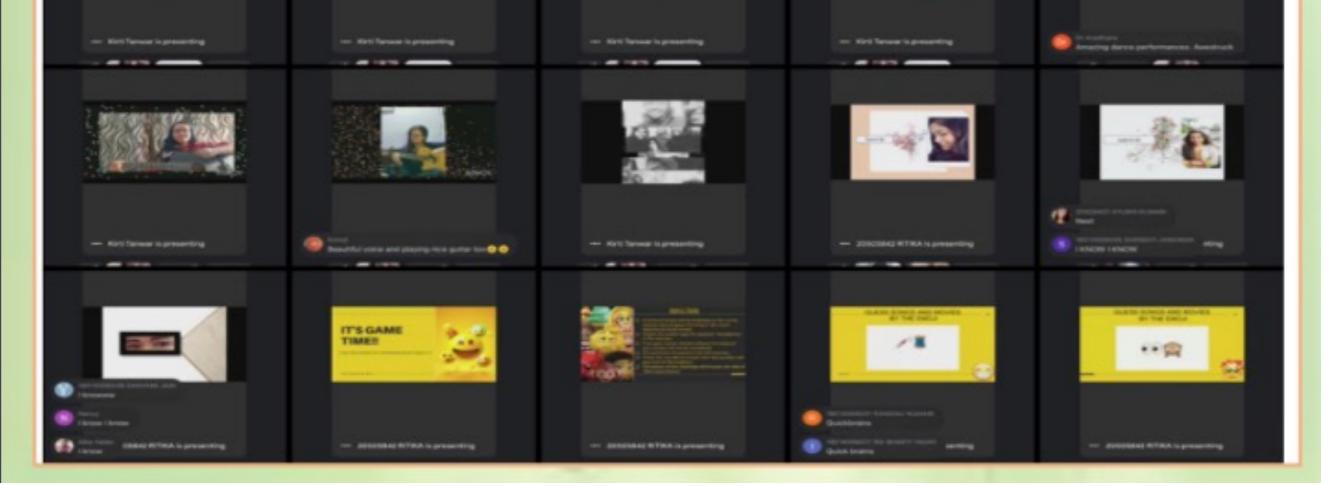


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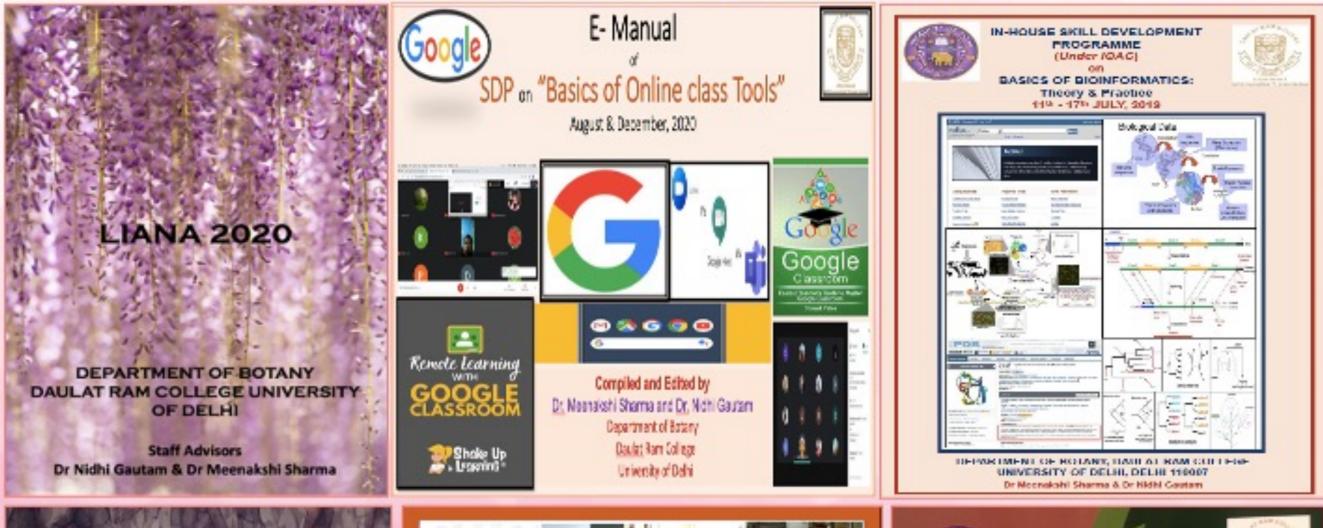
An important component of the society "Know Thy Flora" was taken care by Nancy, Komal and Annu of III H who posted photos and descriptions of around 30 plants on its Instagram page "Vasundhara- essence of Botany". Ankita, Alka and Sanjana of III H maintained the online wall magazine "Inspired Roots". The annual issue of Botanical Society magazine LIANA, a compilation of scientific articles contributed by students and teachers of Department could not be published this year due to unforeseen pandemic situations.

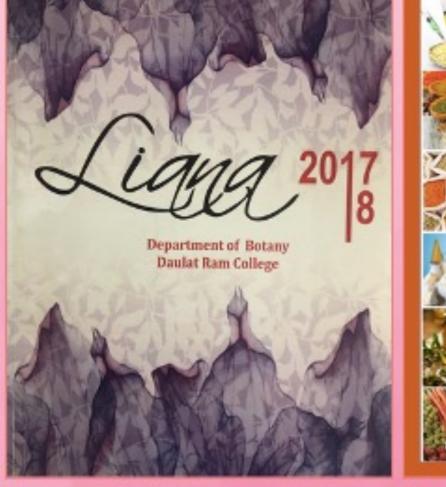


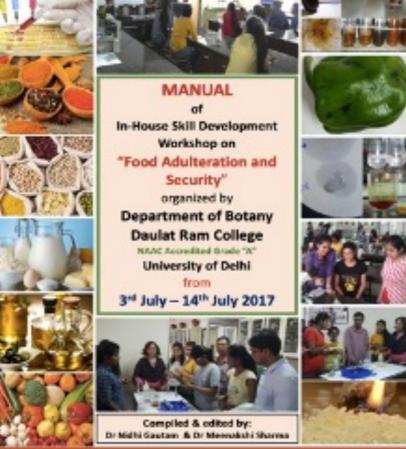
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