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National Webinar on “Is the pandemic lockdown a green moment for biodiversity”



**Sophia Girls' College, Ajmer
(Autonomous)**

**National Webinar
on
“Is the Pandemic Lockdown
a Green Moment for Biodiversity?”**

**17th and 18th August, 2020
4:00pm - 6:00pm**



**Organised by
DEPARTMENTS OF ZOOLOGY AND BOTANY**

Link for Registration : <https://tinyurl.com/SGCAZoologyWeb2020>

About the National Webinar

"Is the Pandemic Lockdown a Green Moment for Biodiversity?"

The COVID-19 pandemic has unleashed challenges and opportunities hitherto unreckoned. While we often feel invincible with our advanced technology, it is times like these that remind us about our vulnerabilities before the powers of nature. The staggering human lockdown to curtail the spread of the corona virus can be viewed as a Global Human Confinement Experiment. This experiment is a unique opportunity to identify the positive and negative effects of human presence and interference in a range of natural systems including wildlife and protected areas and to study processes regulating biodiversity and ecosystems.

It would be a unique and exceptional experience to share with each other the observations and results of the impact of this pandemic induced lockdown on Biodiversity. We believe it would be invigorating to amalgamate the views of eminent scientists who have extensive experience of and a keen insight into the repercussions of this lockdown in which there has been a remarkable reduction in human interference. We think it imperative to include not only the scientific community involved in biodiversity studies but also other stakeholders viz academicians, young leaders, policy makers, biomedical specialists and other vibrant young minds to reflect upon this unforeseen situation and to derive a win-win situation for all the inhabitants of the earth. We perceive this webinar as an ideal platform to share expertise, foster collaboration and to share the objectives of the seminar.

Objectives:

- ◆ To assess the pros and cons of the lockdown on the Biodiversity.
- ◆ To evaluate the present status of biodiversity.
- ◆ To assess whether the movement of wild animals or the elusive animals towards the human settlement can have zoonotic effects.
- ◆ To study the ineluctable connect between biodiversity and human conflicts.

No Registration Fee

E-Certificates will be provided to those who attend both the days of the Webinar.

Webinar Committee

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Dr. Sr. Pearl
Principal

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Our Esteemed Speakers



Dr. V. B. Mathur
Chairperson, National Biodiversity Authority
Former, Director of Wildlife Institute of India (WII)
Keynote Speaker



Dr. G.V. Reddy, IFS
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Dr. Asad R. Rahmani
Former Director Bombay Natural History Society (BNHS)



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Name of Department: Zoology (Floricans Forum)

Date of activity- 17th - 18th August 2020 (Postponed to 24th – 25th August due to heavy rains)

Category of Event- National Webinar

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Number of Participants-1501

Report:

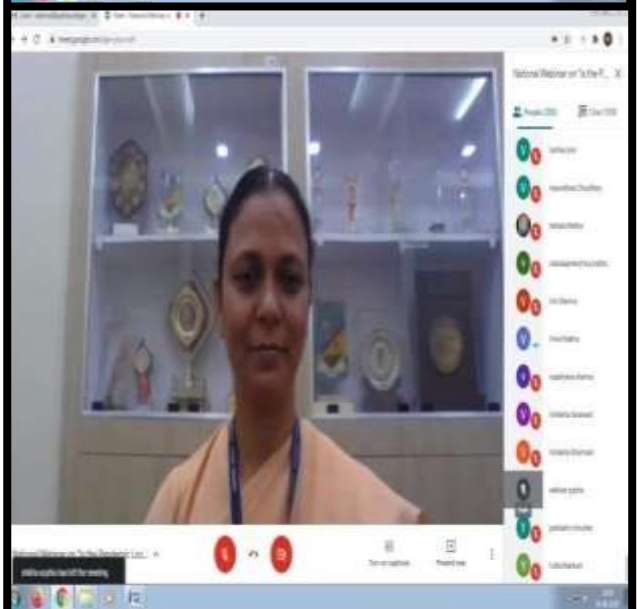
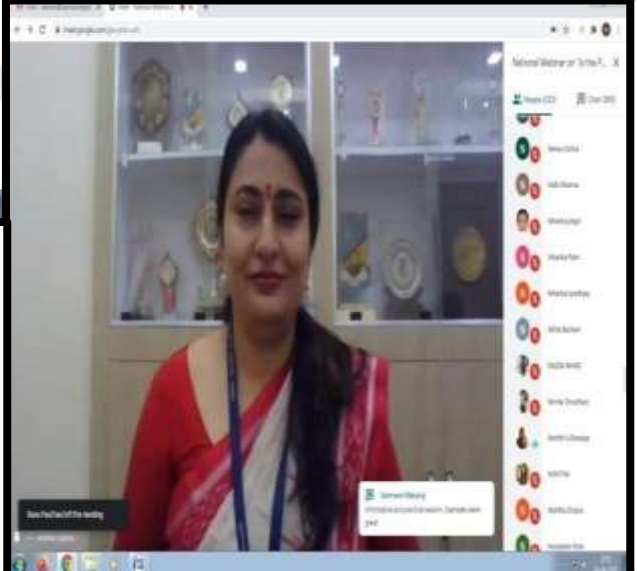
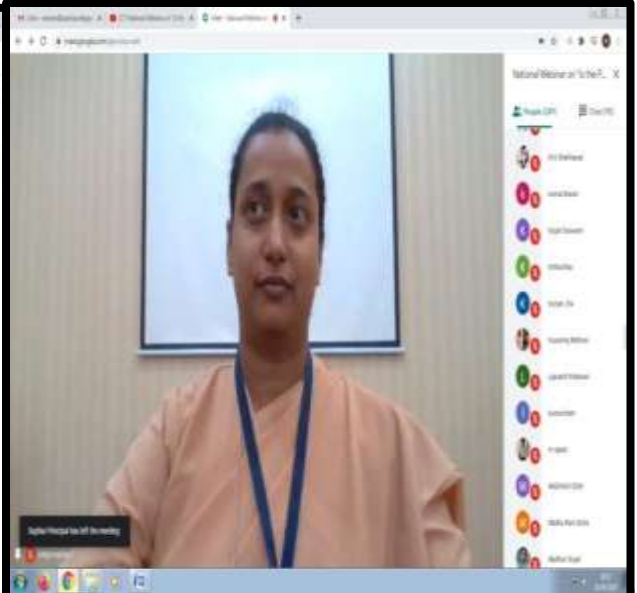
This webinar was organized to share with each other the observation and results of the impact of this pandemic induced lockdown on biodiversity. We were sure that it would be invigorating to amalgamate the views of eminent scientists who have extensive experience of and a keen insight into the repercussion of this lockdown.

Learning Objective

The aim of the event was to provide a platform wherein we could discuss with each other the observation and results of the impact of this pandemic induced lockdown on biodiversity. Our students had an opportunity to learn and interact with such eminent scientists.

Details of Resource Persons-

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