

**Shri Shivaji Education Society Amravati's
Science College Congress Nagar, Nagpur**
Department of Botany
Organized Excursion Study Tour
Satnauri Forest and Mahakali Dam
On 19 August 2017
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REPORT

As a part of B.Sc. Curriculum, excursion tour was organized to Satnawari Forest and Mahakali Dam by Department of Botany, Science College Nagpur dated on 19 August 2017 for semester I botany students to study flora in their natural habitat with special emphasis on biodiversity. Total 4 teaching staff, 3 non teaching staff and 95 students were visited to Satnawari Forest and Mahakali Dam. The major objective was to familiarize the students with the wild and cultivated flora and ecology of the region.

Water population is one of the main concerns of the world today. The governments of many countries have striven to find solution to reduce this problem. Many pollutants threaten water supply, but the most widespread, especially in under develop country is the discharge of raw sewage into natural waters. The change in environmental quality can be associated with change in water quality parameters such as sediment load, nutrient concentrations, temperature, dissolved oxygen levels, and pH. The addition of excessive levels of naturally occurring or synthetic compounds, such as oil and grease, pesticides, mercury and other trace metals, and nonmetallic toxin can harm wildlife and people that depends on these aquatic resources.

The History of the Wardha district dates back to ancient times, it has a unique place in Indian Natural History, since the Ostrich egg-shell has been found at Sindi (Railway) in Wardha district. It was included in the empire of Mauryas, Shungas, Satavahanas and Vakatakas. Pravarpur, now modern-day Pavnar, was once the capital of the Vakataka dynasty. Vakatakas were contemporaries of the Imperial Guptas, the daughter of Chandragupta II. Prabhavatigupta, was married to the Vakataka ruler Rudrasena II. The Vakataka Dynasty lasted from the 2nd to 5th centuries AD, their state stretched from the Arabian Sea in the west to the Bay of Bengal in the east and from the Narmada River in the north to the Krishna-Godavari Delta in the south.

Satnavari Forest

The village Satnavari is located in Nagpur (Rural) Tahsil of Nagpur District in the State of Maharashtra in India. It comes under Nagpur (rural) Community Development Block. The nearest town is Nagpur, which is about 31 kilometers away from Satnavari.

Mahakali Dam and Temple

Mahakali Dam and Temple is a holy place for devotees who throng the temple to get a Darshan of Goddess Mahakali who is considered very auspicious the Mahakali Dam on the river Dham near the temple. The river is originated from the hills of Garamsur on the Kharangana-Kondhali route The Mahakali temple built on the bottom side of the Dam. The valuable and dense green forest surrounding the water storage attracts the tourists. Government had promoted it as a tourist place by providing the Rest Houses, gardens, Water boating etc to attract the tourists.

The Mahakali Temple is situated in the district of Wardha and is dedicated to the Goddess Mahakali Surrounded by forests, this temple was built on the bottom side of the Mahakali Dam

Tourists can also visit the Mahakali Dam which is located on the Dham River near the temple. This river is believed to have originated from Garamsur hills situated on the Kharangana-Kondhali route

TOPOGRAPHY

Geography of Wardha district can be physiographically divided into three distinct units. These are- the uplands of the north and north east with Talegaon plateau the narrow Arvi plains to the west of the first unit, and, the Wardha - Hinganghat plains. The northern and eastern hilly part of the district is a part of the Satpura spur which projects southwards. This hilly part slopes on three sides west, south and north to merge in to the Wardha valley. This descent to the south is through a series of terraces, at least three of which are distinctly recognisable one at 500m, another at 400m and the third at 200-350m contour levels. The gradient is much steeper on the western slopes and the northern slopes.

The Arvi plains are a narrow, north to south elongated strip, about 70 kms long and 6 to 8 kms wide along the western boundary of the Arvi sub division. They are adjoining the Wardha valley, with the general elevation being 300 to 350 m and an undulating rolling topography.

The whole of the Hinganghat Subdivision and the southern two thirds of the Wardha subdivision form a fertile riverine plain draining and sloping gently southwards towards the Wardha River. The land falls from about 300m to 350m level in the north to about 220 m in the south.

SOIL COMPOSITION

The soil cover in the district is classified in four main classes

1. KALI(Rich black soil)
2. Morand (Black to dark brown soil)
3. Kharadi (Poor and Shallow dark soil mixed with sand)
4. Bardi (hilly land strewn with boulders)

The Arvi lowlands are covered by kali soil with a high clay percentage in the area adjacent to the Wardha River and by grey-black morand soils away from the river and nearer to the foothills. The soils of the Arvi lowlands are considered to be the most fertile in the entire district and perhaps in the entire Vidarbha region. The major land use category in the district is agriculture. Kharif crops are widespread in the southern part comprising the tahsils of Samudrapur Hinganghat, Wardha and Deoli. In the northern tahsils of Ashti, Arvi, Karanja. and Selu, agriculture and forest coverage occupy more or less equal areas A significantly large area under orchards is found in Hinganghat tahsil, with smaller patches in Samudrapur and Arvi tahsils. Deciduous forest is spread noticeably in Selu, Karnaja and Arvi tahsils with degraded forest around the fringes Soil resource atlas, Wardha District (Maharashtra)Catalog Record Only Includes statistical tables.

Climate:

The meteoblue climate diagrams are based on 30 years of hourly weather model simulations and available for every place on Earth. They give good indications of typical climate patients and expected conditions (temperature, precipitation sunshine and wind) The simulated weather data have a spatial resolution of approximately 30 km and may not reproduce all local weather effects, such as thunderstorms, local winds, or tornadoes

List of Local Flora:

1. *Withania somnifera*
2. *Adiantum spp.*
3. *Stevia spp.*
4. *Victoria fern*
5. *Riccia*

Mahakali Dam



Identification of Flora



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	Name of Students	Name	Father Name	Signature of Students
	CBM			
	Ku Adyalwale	A	A	----- A B S
	Ku Agrawal	R	R	Riyal
	Ku Ashtankar	S	V	shilob
	Ku Barde	P	G	Barde
	Ku Bokade	N	M	Bokale
	Chavan	S	P	Chavan
	Ku Deshpande	S	P	Deshpande
	Deulkar	S	K	Deulkar
	Ku Dhok	R	A	Dhok
	Gajbhiye	P	J	Gajbhiye
	Ku Gour	N	R	Gour
	Jain	A	M	Jain
	Ku Jibhakate	P	G	----- A B S
	Ku Kadwe	T	R	----- A B S
	Ku Kamble	R	V	Kamble
	Ku Kohad	A	R	Kohad
	Ku Masram	N	S	Masram
	Ku Mewade	V	R	Mewade
	Moon	A	-	Moon
	Ku Naskare	R	A	Naskare
	Ku Raut	A	A	Raut
	Sahare	S	A	Sahare
	Sharma	K	D	Sharma
	Ku Teltumbde	S	R	Teltumbde
	Ku Waghmare	H	S	Waghmare
	Wankhede	A	P	Wankhede
	CBZ			
	Ahmad	A	A	Ahmad
	Bargi	G	S	Bargi
	Bawankar	S	R	Bawankar
	Ku Bhalerao	T	K	T. K. Bhalerao
	Ku Bhosle	G	A	G. A. Bhosle
	Ku Bhojar	B	A	Bhojar
	Buche	M	P	Buche
	Ku Chakole	V	O	Chakole
	Chandewar	V	B	Chandewar
	Ku Chauhan	Sakshi	S	----- A B S
	Ku Chavhan	S	S	Chavhan
	Ku Chittlawar	M	V	Chittlawar
	Ku Choudhary	N	-	Choudhary
	Ku Dademal	K	I	Dademal

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		CBZ			
	Ku	Ray	A	A	Apolika Ray
	Ku	Rokade	A	C	Arokade
	Ku	Rotake	S	M	S Rotake
	Ku	Shahare	P	S	P. Shahare
	Ku	Sheikh	S	S	— A E
	Ku	Shende	S	V	S Shende
	Ku	Shinde	A	J	A Shinde
	Ku	Sontakke	A	V	A Sontakke
	Ku	Thakre	N	S	N Thakre
	Ku	Wankhede	B	P	B V W
	Ku	Zure	A	M	Aishwarya
		CBG			
	Ku	Bhotmange	A	A	A Bhotmange
	Ku	Bobade	A	S	B Bobade
	Ku	Chudhary	K	-	K Chudhary
	Ku	Ghosh	S	S	S Ghosh
	Ku	Karve	A	A	A Karve
		Katore	A	D	A Katore
		Khadatkar	P	V	P Khadatkar
		Kutarmare	S	A	S Kutarmare
		Mendhe	A	R	— A B S
	Ku	Meshram	V	J	V Meshram
	Ku	Naikele	M	R	M Naikele
	Ku	Nannaware	V	D	V Nannaware
	Ku	Nehare	S	M	S Nehare
	Ku	Pandhare	K	H	K Pandhare
		Parteki	V	S	— A E
		Patil	S	R	S Patil
	Ku	Raut	S	P	S Raut
		Rawat	P	BS	P Rawat
		Sarise	P	P	P Sarise
		Sayyed	A	A	A Sayyed
		Sheikh	T	M	T Sheikh
	Ku	Shambharkar	R	D	R Shambharkar
	Ku	Tayade	P	R	P Tayade
	Ku	Tembhe	S	R	S Tembhe
	Ku	Uikey	R	P	R Uikey
	Ku	Wankhede	K	D	K Wankhede

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		CBZ				
1		Dani	K	P	<i>[Signature]</i>	
2		Ku Deogade	N	S	<i>N Deogade</i>	
3		Dhore	A	R	<i>A B</i>	
4		Ku Dixit	P	P	<i>[Signature]</i>	
5		Ku Dongre	K	-	<i>[Signature]</i>	
6		Fuse	S	P	<i>[Signature]</i>	
7		Ku Gaur	P	-	<i>[Signature]</i>	
8		Ingole	P	R	<i>Pranav</i>	
9		Ku Jamgade	A	D	<i>[Signature]</i>	
10		Jichkar	A	J	<i>[Signature]</i>	
11		Ku Junankar	A	A	<i>[Signature]</i>	
12		Ku Kalamkar	V	A	<i>[Signature]</i>	
13		Ku Karemore	H	B	<i>[Signature]</i>	
14		Ku Khan	A	J	<i>A B S</i>	
15		Khedikar	M	K	<i>[Signature]</i>	
16		Ku Kolhe	R	A	<i>[Signature]</i>	
17		Kotangale	M	S	<i>Kotangale</i>	
18		Ku Kumbhare	P	D	<i>[Signature]</i>	
19		Ku Kamdi	T	B	<i>[Signature]</i>	
20		Kumar	A	R	<i>[Signature]</i>	
21		Ku Mahaisgawli	P	K	<i>[Signature]</i>	
22		Ku Maheshwari	S	M	<i>[Signature]</i>	
23		Ku Meshram	M	A	<i>[Signature]</i>	
24		Ku Meshram	S	S	<i>[Signature]</i>	
25		Meshram	U	R	<i>[Signature]</i>	
26		Ku Mohadikar	S	R	<i>[Signature]</i>	
27		Ku Morghade	R	S	<i>[Signature]</i>	
28		Ku Motariya	P	N	<i>[Signature]</i>	
29		Ku Motghare	K	N	<i>[Signature]</i>	
30		Ku Munjewar	N	S	<i>A B S</i>	
31		Nagarnaik	H	K	<i>[Signature]</i>	
32		Nandurkar	R	M	<i>[Signature]</i>	
33		Ku Ninave	G	A	<i>[Signature]</i>	
34		Pachpor	M	A	<i>M.A. Pachpor</i>	
35		Ku Palsapure	N	L	<i>[Signature]</i>	
36		Ku Patil	M	R	<i>[Signature]</i>	
37		Ku Ramteke	A	G	<i>[Signature]</i>	
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39		Rao	A	K	<i>[Signature]</i>	

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Feedback

Thank you for participating in the study tour! We would greatly appreciate your feedback to help us improve future tours. Please take a few moments to rate the following aspects of the tour.

1. Organization and Planning

- Excellent
- Good
- Average
- Poor

2. Tour Guides' Knowledge and Expertise

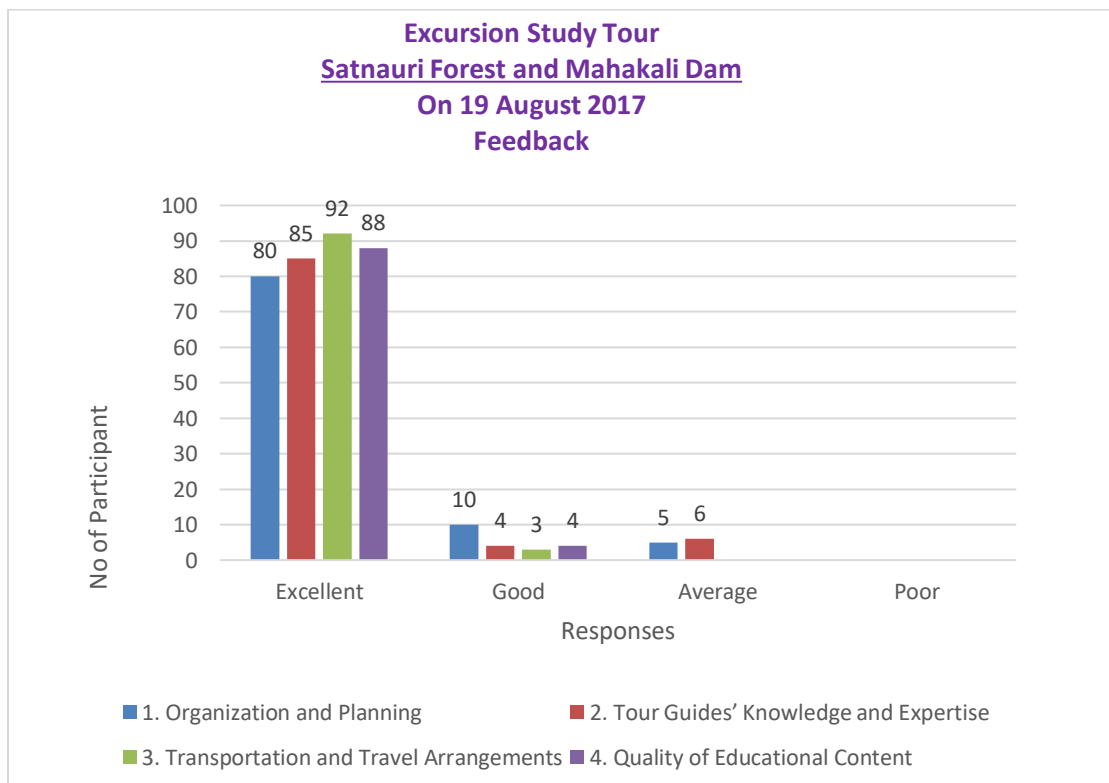
- Excellent
- Good
- Average
- Poor

3. Transportation and Travel Arrangements

- Excellent
- Good
- Average
- Poor

4. Quality of Educational Content

- Excellent
- Good
- Average
- Poor



Action Taken :

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