

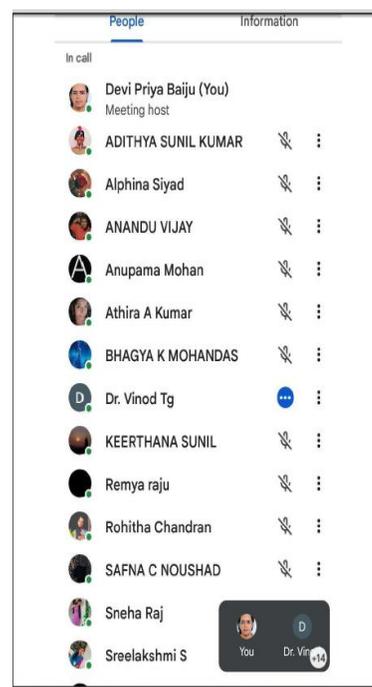
# BOTANY DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES REPORT

2020-21

Since the colleges were closed due to the 19pandemic, the association has reduced all offline activities and conducted programs through Google Meet platform. No Office bearers were selected during this academic year.

**Onam Celebration:** It was conducted online on August 20 2020 at 5.30 pm. The students participated in vanchipaatu and Onam song competitions. After onam message given by the faculties, the meeting came to an end

**National Webinar** on "Ecosystem and Floristic Diversity – An overview" : The department has organised by Department of Botany on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2020. Dr. VB Sreekumar, Senior Scientist, Kerala Forest Research Institute (KFRI), Peechi, Thrissur was the resource person. It was very informative and interesting. Students actively participated and he emphasized the significance of basic research in plant science. There were more than 50 participants from this college and many of the faculties from various colleges also attended the webinar.





## St. Thomas College

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### Department of Botany

**Organises**  
**Webinar on**  
**Ecosystem and Floristic Diversity – An overview**

**Speaker**  
**Dr. V.B. Sreekumar**  
Senior Scientist  
KFRI, Peechi, TCR



**Schedule**  
**5<sup>th</sup> October 2020**  
**3.00- 4.30 pm**



**Organising Committee**  
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**Registration**  
<https://forms.gle/8GyV4yEvMqKY4Khv9>  
**E-certificate will be issued to all participants**

**International Webinar** on “Phyto-Fabricated Nanoparticles in Healthcare Applications” organized by the Department of Botany in collaboration with IQAC, on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2020. Dr Sekhar Vijayakumar was the resource person. He was a Post Doctoral Research Fellow, at Marine College, Shandong University, PR China. The presentation was very informative and he introduced the subject from the bottom level. He explained how the NPs, have attracted significant researchers' attention and how they have been useful in providing remedies with less or no adverse effects for several acute diseases.

### Hands-on training on Wine preparation

On 26<sup>th</sup> March, we conducted hands-on training on Wine Preparation. The Programme was conducted as part of the community extension activity of the department and the class was taken by Dr. Francis Mathew. A special variety of Grapes was collected from the market and used for the training. Different stages of wine preparation and the different components were discussed. Various difficulties in wine preparations were also addressed. There were about 12 participants in the programme.

## Cultural Fest

Department of Botany, St. Thomas College, Ranni organizes a cultural fest every year in association with Association Programme. This fest provides a platform for students to come together and show their talents and expertise in various modes and get recognition on a greater scale. Such fests augment students' learning experience. The networking ability escalate during the involvement infest. The fest facilitates students to work for a fixed goal in unison and this will develop a sense of responsibility among students. Moreover, the fest elevates confidence and also teaches them the importance of teamwork in various challenging situations. Because of the continuous online mode of classes, the college reopened only on 15th February 2021, the cultural fest was organized on 29th March 2021 at the department laboratory. Students conducted various cultural programs in this function. The fest includes various dance performances and musical performances etc. The function started at 1.30 pm. Students actively participated revealing their teamwork.



**DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY  
ST. THOMAS COLLEGE, RANNI**

**Organizing Committee**

Dr. Aleyamma Kuruvilla (Principal)  
Dr. Devi Priya M. (HoD.)  
Dr. Vinod Kumar TG (Coordinator)  
Dr. Francis Mathew (Co-coordinator)  
Dr. Asha Saji (Treasurer)  
Ms. Litha Mathew. (Student Coordinator)

Cultural fest plays a predominant Role in a student's life. There is a growing consensus that such festival is not just about fun but that it also augments a student's learning experience. Student-run festivals serve a few crucial purposes in a student's on-campus life, most importantly, as platforms to help them evolve into future leaders.

**Venue: Botany Laboratory  
29 th March 2021**

**Lets celebrate  
Cultural Fest**