

## Nature, Society and Sustainability: Changing Contours - Golden Jubilee Conference (MESAC-19): 19<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Two days National conference was organized by MES Asmabi College, Kodungallur behalf of Golden Jubilee celebration supported by Kerala State Biodiversity Board and Kerala State Higher Education Council and Western Ghats Hornbill Foundation. The conference was conducted as the part of UNANP and became the last programme of academic year 2018-2019. The conference officially inaugurated by Dr. V Balakrishnan, Member Secretary of Kerala State Biodiversity Board. Dr. S. Faizi delivered the plenary talk who is a renowned Indian ecologist specializing in Biodiversity Management and International Environmental Policy. He started career as Field Biologist. Headed an international environmental NGO, has been UNESCO Fellow, Consultant Ecologist to IUCN and also a Biodiversity Expert. The inauguration section is followed by a plenary talk by Dr. A Ramakrishna. He is a Zoologist and also specialized in Taxonomy and Environmental conservation. He has 36 years of Research Experience. Dr. Sulthan Ahmed Ismailis an Indian soil biologist and ecologist. His work has centered on techniques for recycling biodegradable waste into fertilizer using local varieties of earthworms and on soil bioremediation, who coined the term Vermitech in 1992. A total of 231 students and 35 teachers participated in the programme.

The image contains two promotional posters for the MESAC-19 conference. The left poster is the main title page, featuring a large green tree silhouette on the left. It includes the UN logo, the text 'MES ASMABI GOLDEN JUBILEE CONFERENCE (MESAC-19)', the title 'Nature, Society and Sustainability: CHANGING CONTOURS', the dates 'March 19 & 20, 2019', and the special session topic: 'Conservation and Management of Ecosystems and Species in the Western Ghats and Impact of Flood on Biodiversity'. It is supported by the Kerala State Biodiversity Board and sponsored by the Kerala State Higher Education Council. The right poster is for the inauguration and plenary sessions, dated '19<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2019 TUESDAY @ COLLEGE AUDITORIUM 10.00 AM'. It features a photo of Dr. V. Balakrishnan, Member Secretary of the Kerala State Biodiversity Board, and a photo of Dr. S. Faizi, President of the ES, India. The plenary talk is titled 'Biosphere and Civilisation: A Deepening Twin Crisis'. Below this, it lists the plenary sessions: Science: 'Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Resource Use: Eco-Socio-political Concerns of the in the 21st Century.' by Dr. A. Ramakrishna, Ex Director, Zoological Survey of India, Bangalore. Social Science: 'Post Truth Society, Politics and Media' by Mr. Stanly Johny, Editor, International Affairs, The Hindu.

