

## **Eco-friendly trip to Chimmony Wildlife Sanctuary**

On December 7, 2023, the Department of Botany, in association with Green Initiatives, organized an eco-friendly trip to Chimmony Wildlife Sanctuary, Thrissur for 36 undergraduate students from the first and third semesters, accompanied by faculty members Mrs. Shemi C.B. and Dr. Jisha K.C., and lab assistant Mr. Shareef. The group departed from MES Asmabi College at 6:30 AM and arrived at the sanctuary at 8:30 AM. The trip featured two sessions: an awareness talk about Chimminy Wildlife Sanctuary and a trekking expedition. The awareness talk provided students with valuable information about the sanctuary's biodiversity and the importance of conservation efforts. During the trekking session, students explored the sanctuary, learning about various plant species, their uses, and the critical need for their conservation. The trip was an informative and enriching experience for the students, enhancing their understanding of botany and environmental science. The group returned to the college by 5:00 PM, having gained significant insights into the natural world and a reinforced commitment to conservation. The trip highlighted the importance of preserving biodiversity, educating students about the ecological roles of various plant species and the need for their conservation. Ultimately, green initiatives inspire students to adopt eco-friendly habits, support conservation efforts, and potentially pursue careers in environmental science, contributing to a more sustainable future.

