

Nature Camp and Eco restoration Training at Vazhachal Forest Division

Two day nature camp and workshop was organised for the BMC members, Panchayath governing body members and the MGNREGA women working in restoration at Vazhachal Forest Division on 11 & 12 November 2023. The target of the workshop was to provide a detailed technical session on overall eco restoration planning and implementation. The workshop was inaugurated by Mr. Manu Sathyan, the Range Forest officer, Charpa Range, on behalf of Ms. R. Lakshmi, DFO, Vazhachal Forest Division, Kerala Forest Department. The technical sessions were handled by Mr. Rajan, DRO, Charpa Range and Dr. Amitha Bachan K.H., Assistant Professor, Research Department of Botany, MES Asmabi College. Ms. Devika M Anilkumar, Rufford and Prakrithi Fellow of CEtC led exposure visits and orientation on reference ecosystems in the low elevation tropical rainforests of Vazhachal. A total of 25 women from MGNREGA and 20 staff of the panchayath were part of the programme. The program was organised with the support of Prakrithi Fellowship, Western Ghats Hornbill Foundation and Vazhachal Forest Division of the Kerala Forest Department.



Mr. Manu Sathyan, RFO, Charpa Range Inaugurating the Workshop



Women working on Eco restoration visiting the Ecotourism site at Vazhachal



The team at during the two day Workshop and Nature Camp