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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Best wishes to the crew behind the 'Cassia Newsletter' on its 5th edition. You are inventing unexplored waters, bringing glory and might to our institution.

Keep the spirit alive.

With pride
Prof. (Dr.) K.H. Prema

MESSAGES

HoD's MESSAGE

Cassia is blooming again, in times of change and hardships in the academic field, withstanding the extensive demands of manpower academically. This year is also very eventful in having obtained DBT support under Star college scheme, and is about to face the NAAC re accreditation. This is the fifth issue comprising the publications and other achievements contributed by the faculty and scholars of the Department. The consistency of the scholars and faculty in academic research is getting reflected here. The efforts of the faculty especially of Dr. Jose Mathew, in bringing this issue materialised is highly appreciated. The constant support and encouragement from the Principal and Management is acknowledged.

Looking forward to another event full and exciting year ahead.

Dr. V.N. Sanjai

EDITORIAL

We are transforming with adapting to the new era of learning and teaching methods. This year we have taken the step towards four-year Degree, DBT Star and DST -FIST schemes. NAAC visit is coming to grade us. Despite the hectic schedule, we have achieved the accomplishments. This issue comes to you with the vibes of the preceding year. The fact that this is Cassia's fifth issue, makes it even sweeter. Please accept it.

With respect.

Dr. Jose Mathew
Chief Editor

Inner Pages

- Milestones
- Programmes
- Publications
- News in newspaper
- Floristic Novelties
- Field studies
- Awards & Recognitions
- Extension activities
- Know a plant

MILESTONES

- Dr. V.N. Sanjai has takes the charge of Head, Department of Botany (14th HoD)
- Department of Botany is revamping to DBT Star College and FIST (DST) Supported Department
- Four Year Degree Programmes has started.



SANATANA DHARMA COLLEGE ALAPPUZHA
 Accorded the Status of
DBT STAR COLLEGE
 (Under the Strengthening component)


Department of Biotechnology (DBT)
Ministry of Science & Technology)
Govt. of India

SANATANA DHARMA COLLEGE
 is being recognised as
DST (FIST) supported College



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വിശ്കാനോത്സവം
 നാലുവർഷ ബിരുദ പ്രോഗ്രാമുകളുടെ
 കോളേജ്തല ഉദ്ഘാടനം
 പ്രാഥമിക ബോധവൽക്കരണ ക്ലാസും

2024 ജൂലായ് 01: രാവിലെ 10 ന്

പ്രിയരേ,
 ഉന്നത വിദ്യാഭ്യാസമേഖലയിൽ പുതിയ അദ്ധ്യായം കുറിച്ചുകൊണ്ടുള്ള നാലുവർഷ ബിരുദ ക്ലാസുകൾ (FYUGP) ഈ അദ്ധ്യയനവർഷം മുതൽ ആരംഭിക്കുകയാണ്. ഇതിന്റെ സംസ്ഥാനതല ഉദ്ഘാടനം ജൂലായ് 01 ന് തിരുവനന്തപുരത്ത് ബഹു. മുഖ്യമന്ത്രി നിർവ്വഹിക്കുന്നു. ഇതോടനുബന്ധിച്ച് കോളേജ്തല വിജ്ഞാതോത്സവം സംഘടിപ്പിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നു.

കോളേജ്തല വിജ്ഞാതോത്സവത്തിന്റെ ഉദ്ഘാടനം മുൻ മന്ത്രിയും ജനപ്രിയ നേതാവുമായ ശ്രീ. ജി. സുധാകരൻ നിർവ്വഹിക്കുന്നു. കെ. പാർത്ഥസാരഥി അമ്പലകാർ സ്മാരക തോൽവാൽ ജൂബിലി ഓഡിറ്റോറിയത്തിൽ നടക്കുന്ന ഈ പരിപാടിയിലേക്ക് ഹൃദയമായും സ്വാതന്ത്ര്യം ചെയ്യുന്നു.

ഡോ. എം. കൃഷ്ണൻ (കോ-ഓർഡിനേറ്റർ) പ്രൊഫ. (ഡോ.) കെ. എച്ച്. പ്രേമ (പ്രിൻസിപ്പാൾ, എസ്.ഡി. കോളേജ്)

കാര്യപരിപാടി

ജൂലായ് 01 തിങ്കൾ

രാവിലെ 10 ന്	: തവതതർക്ക് സ്വാതന്ത്ര്യം കലാവിരുന്ന്
11 മണിക്ക്	: നാലുവർഷ ബിരുദ കോഴ്സ് പരിചയം പ്രാഥമിക ബോധവൽക്കരണ ക്ലാസ്
ഉച്ചയ്ക്ക് 1 ന് സ്വാതന്ത്ര്യം	: ഉദ്ഘാടന സമ്മേളനം (ബഹു. ഡോ. കെ.എച്ച്. പ്രേമ (പ്രിൻസിപ്പാൾ))
അദ്ധ്യക്ഷൻ	: ശ്രീ. പി. കൃഷ്ണകുമാർ (ബഹു. റാതേജർ, എസ്.ഡി. കോളേജ്)
ഉദ്ഘാടനം	: ശ്രീ. ജി. സുധാകരൻ (ബഹു. മുൻ മന്ത്രി)
തലി	: ഡോ. എം. കൃഷ്ണൻ (കോ-ഓർഡിനേറ്റർ, FYUGP)

TIMELINE
 78 YEARS OF LEGACY

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2024 • FYUGP Programme started 2021 • Platinum Jubilee Year 2001 • Pre Degree Courses being discontinued 1997 • PhD Programme started 1996 • Golden Jubilee Year 1990 • MPhil Programme started 1967 • Post Graduate Programme started 1950 • Moved to the present day college 1947 • Intermediate Course started 1946 • Started as First Grade College with degree programme in Botany at SDV School building 	COURSES OFFERED BSc. Botany 3 Year UG 4 Year UG (Honours) 4 Year UG (Research) MSc. Botany Environmental Sciences (Sp.Paper) Ph.D in Botany Taxonomy Phytochemistry Ethnobotany Tissue Culture Microbiology
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A loving farewell to our beloved Dileep Sir [Prof. (Dr.) C. Dileep]

Programme Brochures

“Indigenous Technologies for Viksit Bharat”

NATIONAL SCIENCE DAY CELEBRATION 2024

28 FEBRUARY 2024

K. PARTHASARATHY IYENGAR MEMORIAL GOLDEN JUBILEE AUDITORIUM SANATANA DHARMA COLLEGE, ALAPPUZHA.



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15 Nov. 2024

10.30 AM

FIST Seminar Hall



Dr. K.B. Rameshkumar
Principal Scientist
KSCSTE- JNTBGR, Thiruvananthapuram

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EXTENSION ACTIVITY for School Students

30th October 2024: 10 AM
Dept. of Botany

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INVASIVE ALIEN SPECIES : A THREAT TO NATURAL ECOSYSTEMS

Awareness Programme
Field Study
Lab Visit

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“Travel Down Memory Lane” – Felicitation by students

Reply speech : Prof.(Dr.) C. Dileep,
H.O.D Dept. of Botany

Note of Thanks : Dr. Jose Mathew
Asst. Prof. Dept. of Botany

Session 3: Poster exhibition of Research outputs by
Dept. of Botany
Venue: Corridor, Dept. of Post graduate studies and
Research in Botany

Inauguration : Prof. (Dr.) C. Dileep
H.O.D Dept. of Botany

Session 4: Felicitation ceremony by Retired teachers

Welcome : Dr. V.N Sanjai
Asso. Prof. Dept. of Botany

Felicitation by retired teachers

Note of Thanks : Dr. Jose Mathew
Asst. Prof. Dept. of Botany

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MYCOBIONT
Farewell Programme to Prof.(Dr.) C. Dileep

Venue : SVC Hall, PG & Research Department of Commerce



Programmes : A: World Environment Day 2024 Celebration, Invited talk of Dr. Rajesh Kumar S. B & C: Training class for school students on Invasive Plant Species. D: Annual progress report presentation of PhD Scholars. E: Best submission (MDC Class). F: Dr. Binoj Kumar donates his book collection to the department. G: PTA Meeting.



Programmes : A: Photography Exhibition on Plant Biodiversity B & C: Seminar on Plant World D: Seminar and workshop on Modern Trends in Plant Science E: Green Audit data verification F: Mycobiont. G: Welcome programme of BSc students.



FLORISTIC

Extensive floristic studies has resulted in the discovery of several new plant species and new distributional records (special focus on last 5 years: NAAC criterion)

22 New Plant Species



Sonerila anchurulica



Sonerila epeduncula



Sonerila sulphurea



Piper ovalifructum



Piper kurichyarmalanum



Peperomia emarginatifolia



Pep...



Ixora lavanya



Canthium vembnadensis



Tarenna charlesii



Coleus antho...



Chiloschista confusa



Seidenfia manikathla



Liparis tortilis



Oberonia saintberchmansii

Orchidaceae : 6 new species + 2 records
Piperaceae : 4 new species
Melastomataceae : 3 new species
Rubiaceae : 3 new species + 1 record

Araceae : 2 new species
Orobanchaceae : 1 new species
Lamiaceae : 1 new species
Gesneriaceae : 1 new species

NOVELTIES

Scientific
Contribution
Series 1

6 Records to Kerala



Christisonia flavirubens



Peristylus parishii



Liparis tschangii



Peromia vellarimallica



Henckelia viridiflora



Veronica persica



Arisaema madhuanum



Arisaema peerumedense



Arisaema peerumedense



Lagenandra kunkichirmuseumensis



Asystasia variabilis



Heterostemma dalzellii



Rhynchosyllis cymifera



Cleisocentron neglectum



Phyllanthus sanatadharmae

3 New Records to Alappuzha



Andrographis macrobotrys



Hoya wightii



Canthium angustifolium

Species + 1 record
Species
Species
Species
Euphorbiaceae : 1 new species
Apocynaceae : 2 records
Acanthaceae : 2 records
Plantaginaceae : 1 record

Exploring the Saline Pokkali Rice Field for a Multi-Traited Biostimulant to Alleviate Salt Stress in Rice

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Abstract

Climate change due to global warming has augmented salinity intrusion and soil salinization, hampering crop yields. The identification and utilization of salt-tolerant native microbiota with potential plant growth-promoting traits seems to be an effective alternative for salt-adapted smart agriculture. The innovative aspect of this study is the exploration of potential microbes associated with native salt-tolerant crop varieties for salinity management, which could offer a sustainable and cost-effective solution. The present study was conducted in saline Pokkali rice fields from Alappuzha district, Kerala, South India, which holds a high geographical significance. Soil samples were collected in monthly intervals for a period of one year from January 2019 to January 2020 for isolation and characterization of potential salt-tolerant plant growth-promoting rhizobacteria (ST-PGPRs) and soil analysis. Soil samples from Pokkali rice fields exhibited dynamic variations in salinity and pH, ranging annually from 1.18‰ to 8.5 dsm⁻¹ and pH 4 to 5.9. We isolated a total of 50 rhizobacterial strains, which were screened for the biochemical and salt-tolerant traits and identified PK7 as a potential ST-PGPR strain. Molecular identification with 16 S rDNA gene sequences and phylogenetic analysis showed that the closest reference to PK7 is *Pseudomonas taeniospiralis* and was submitted to GenBank with accession No. MT218377. The efficacy of selected strain on rice was analyzed in vitro controlled conditions using salt-sensitive and salt-tolerant varieties under salt stress. Morphological parameters and vigor index were compared and increased germination percentage as well as vigor index with statistical significance (**P < 0.01) were observed. Further investigations conducted on chlorophyll and proline content in rice seedlings after induced salt stress revealed that the isolated ST-PGPR strain PK7 had increased the chlorophyll and proline content, indicating salt stress resistance. The isolated strain PK7 from saline Pokkali rice fields was found to be a promising microbe as an effective bioinoculant for sustainable crop improvement under salinity.

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Phytochemical composition and DNA barcoding of *Bauhinia scandens* leaf extract and its *in vitro* assessment of antioxidant and anti-inflammatory potential

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REVIEW ARTICLE

A conspectus of the genus *Pigea* (Violaceae) in India

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REPORT OPEN ACCESS

Species

Sonerila anchuralica (Melastomataceae): A new species from South Western Ghats, India

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ABSTRACT

A new species of *Sonerila* (family Melastomataceae; Tribe Sonerilae), *S. anchuralica* from the Periyar Tiger Reserve region of the South Western Ghats in Kerala, India. Taxonomic description, morphological differences to the allied taxa, color photographs and its conservation status are provided.

Keywords: Endangered, Endemic, New species, Southwestern Ghats

1. INTRODUCTION

The genus *Sonerila* (tribe Sonerilae), a large genus in the family Melastomataceae (Tribe Sonerilae) is mainly distributed in Sri Lanka and southern India to the Indo-Pacific regions (Culnan, 1992; Raven et al., 2018). This genus can be easily recognized by its erect or creeping terminal, few-lypelted, hairy or semi-nude, dimorphic habit and conspicuously imbricate flowers, mostly corolla lobes and 2-5-lobed, tubular ovary. Based on the recent extractions, this genus is represented by 207 species and of which, 64 species in India and Western Gats has the highest species diversity with about 50 species (Ozdemir et al., 2020; Fida et al., 2020; Pawan, 2020).

Botanical exploration of the forests of Kerala (as part of a climate change investigation), during 2018-2022, has yielded some interesting specimens of the genus *Sonerila*. Critical analysis of the literature as well as of herbarium specimens revealed that some of the collected specimens do not match any of the previously described species. These specimens are sufficiently distinct to warrant taxonomic recognition as new species and are here described and illustrated here.

Multidimensional Analysis of Rice Plant-Microbe Interactions Under Saline Stress

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Abstract

Plant-microbe interactions are dynamic and complex processes. The positive influence of rhizobacterial strains enables crops to alleviate stress and enhance growth. This study directly investigates the effect of the rhizobacterial strain PK7 (*Pseudomonas taeniospiralis*-Accession no. MT218377) on growth promotion and stress tolerance in salt-tolerant and susceptible varieties of rice seedlings. Seed priming with PK7 increased the germination rate (20%) for salt-susceptible rice variety UMA and for 125% increment for salt-tolerant variety VTL 11 at 150 mM salt stress. Additionally, PK7 treatment modified root morphology, resulting in increased root length, number of roots, and root hairs. Anatomical changes were also observed in plants treated with PK7. The activity of antioxidant enzymes, including catalase, ascorbate peroxidase, guaiacol peroxidase, and superoxide dismutase was increased by 7.5, 3, 46.5 and 4.7 times respectively in PK7 inoculated seedlings. Root metabolic profiling of the salt-susceptible rice variety UMA was performed using high-resolution liquid chromatography-mass spectrometry (HRLCMS). This analysis revealed distinct patterns of metabolite modulation in rice roots under both salt stress and normal conditions. The most prominent compound identified was choline, a crucial precursor to glycine betaine (GB) and phospholipids. Choline plays a pivotal role in enhancing a plant's tolerance to salt stress. Additionally, significant compounds like proline and sphingosine were also detected. Furthermore, the study accentuated the accumulation of organ, particularly 27% of galactose in seedlings treated with PK7 under stress condition. These findings

Publications[#]

#8 Research Articles and 4 Popular Articles were published by the faculty members of the department



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Ethnobotanical and Medicinal Practices of *Hoya wightii* Hook. f. Used by Ulladan Tribes in Alappuzha District, Kerala



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Keywords: *Hoya wightii*, ulladan tribes, sacred groves, endemism etc.

ABSTRACT

The ancient people had a thorough knowledge of herbs and climbers useful to their day to day life. *Hoya wightii* Hook. f. is a medicinal plant commonly seen in the evergreen forests used by ulladan tribes for the fast relief of muscular injuries. Moreover the plant has its own importance because its vulnerability and endemism. Alappuzha is the smallest district in Kerala without any reserve forest and mountain range. Ulladan tribes directly collect the plant from sacred groves and prepare *Eliodu* (yam lechya, kanji and other medicinal porridge) at their own home.



Heterostemma dalzellii (Apocynaceae, Asclepiadoideae), a new distributional record from south Western Ghats, India

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The present study provides the new distributional record of *Heterostemma dalzellii* from the Wayanad district of the Kerala part of the south Western Ghats.



RESEARCH ARTICLE

Proximate Composition, Mineral analysis and Phytochemical Characterization of an Ethnomedicinal Plant *Sphenodesme involucreta* var. *paniculata* (C.B. Clarke) Munir

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ABSTRACT

Since ancient times, people have utilized plants for their therapeutic benefits. These ethnomedicinal plants acquire their therapeutic qualities from some phytochemical or secondary metabolites that they contain. *Sphenodesme involucreta* var. *paniculata* (C.B. Clarke) Munir is an ethnomedicinal plant that contains several bioactive components. The study focuses on the proximate composition, mineral analysis and phytochemical characterization of *S. involucreta* leaves using GC-MS and GC-MS/MS analysis. The proximate evaluation of the leaves revealed higher carbohydrate (80.20 ± 0.02) content and lower fat (0.89 ± 0.01). The mineral analysis yielded a higher concentration of zinc (1.69 ± 0.12) and a lower concentration of iron (1.60 ± 0.12). The GC-MS analysis of ethanolic extract revealed the existence of several important compounds like phthal, hexadecanoic acid, phensol, 2,4-bis (1,1-dimethyl-2-propyl), 1,2-dioxocyclopentane acid, mono (2-ethylhexyl) ester etc. Caproic acid and lauric acid were found to be prevailing in the GC-MS analysis. Compounds such as vanillin, geranic acid, gallic acid and octabene were also detected. Detection of diverse nutrients, nutrients and secondary metabolites in this plant supports its use in traditional medicine. Additionally, it supports the claim that the plant's abundance of vital nutrients and essential makes it safer and healthier to consume.

Keywords:

Caproic acid, Ethnomedicinal, hexadecanoic, Minerals, Phthalate.

Highlights

- First ever analysis of proximate and mineral composition of the plant.
- Presence of higher amount of carbohydrates, proteins, calcium and magnesium.
- First reporting of secondary metabolites like caproic, caproic and lauric acid from this plant.
- Caproic acid and lauric acid showed the anti-inflammatory properties of the plant.

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INTRODUCTION

Herbals, the use of medicinal plants and herbal remedies are growing in popularity. Herbal medicines are regarded as cost-effective and safe compared to synthetic drugs. The majority of individuals in developing nations rely on herbal medicine for various ailments (Zakaria and Mohammed, 2015). According to WHO (2014), these plants and herbal medicines play an essential part in the pharmaceutical industry. Medicinal plants act as a repository of various compounds and they contain enormous valuable phytochemicals that act as a precursor for many drugs. These phytochemicals, mainly secondary metabolites are found to have several important bioactive roles. These compounds contribute to the therapeutic potential of the plant. In addition, plants have a number of vital minerals, such as Fe, Ca, Cu, Mg, K, Na, Zn, etc., and maintain the electrolytic, protein, crude fibre, fat, etc. They have a significant role in the morphological

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Children of the central nervous system are also treated with it (Wang, 2006). The plant is consumed for abdominal ailments, eye diseases, boils, and worms and the herb also functions



Field Studies : Munnar, Vagamon, Kodaikkanal, Parunthumpara, Palozhukumpara, Kambam



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 Inauguration session: 10 am - 11 am
 Ms. Rajalakshmi R. (H. O. S. Zoology)
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Technical Session I:
 11 am - 11:15 am
 11:15 am - 1 pm
 Dr. G. Nageshwar Prabhoo (Head, IIS Department of Zoology & Research Centre & Principal Investigator, Centre for Invasive Species, IIS College, Mysore)

Technical Session II:
 2 pm - 4 pm
 Dr. Jose Mathew (Head, PG Dept. of Botany, S.D. College, Alappuzha)

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Club activities : Volunteers of Ecoclub, Bhoomitrasena and Biodiversity clubs were involved in various activities like environmental studies at Periyar Tiger Reserve, Chathurangappara, Forest walk in Thekkadi etc. They also involved in Wetland mitra programmes, surveys on Vembanad lake and Graf programmes in associated with SWAK, Govt. of Kerala.

Know a Plant



Dendrobium anilii P.M.Salim, J.Mathew & Szlach.

Family : Orchidaceae

Distribution : Endemic to south Western Ghats

Note: The specific epithet is named in honour of Dr. N. Anil Kumar
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