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Registration Fee

Faculty & Scientist - Rs. 500/-

Research Scholars - Rs. 300/-

UG/PG Students - Rs. 100/-

Registration Details

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**Deadline for registration &
Abstract Submission : 25th January 2026
Full Paper Submission : 30th January 2026**

Spot Registration Available
Registration Fee is inclusive of Seminar Materials,
Tea & Lunch only (Exclusive of Accommodation Charges)

For Registration and Enquiries

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About College

Sanatana Dharma College (S.D. College), Alappuzha was founded by Shri. K. Parthasarathy Iyengar and Shri. V. Sundara Raja Naidu on 20th June 1946. It is one of the oldest and largest colleges affiliated to the University of Kerala. Spread over a 40 - acre campus, the college celebrates its Oak Jubilee in 2026, marking 80 years of excellence in higher education. It offers 13 UG, 9 PG, and 9 Ph.D. programmes, is recognized by the UGC under Sections 2 (f) and 12 (B), and is re-accredited by NAAC with an A+ grade (CGPA 3.33).

Renowned for its committed faculty, modern infrastructure, and distinguished alumni, S.D. College holds a leading position in the academic landscape of Alappuzha.

About Department

The Department of Postgraduate Studies and Research in Botany began on 20 June 1946 with an undergraduate programme. Prof. R. Vaidyanatha Iyer FBS, the first Head of the Department and later Principal (1967-70), played a pioneering role in its establishment. Today, the department is a major research centre of the University of Kerala with 11 approved research supervisors (four internal) specializing in Microbiology, Biotechnology, Genetics, Plant Physiology, Taxonomy, Ethnobotany and Phytobacteriology. The department, recognised as a centre of expertise, having advanced research facilities is supported by the DBT-Star College, DST-FIST, PM-USHA schemes and by the state government projects. The department has achieved significant research milestones, including the discovery of over 35 new flowering plant taxa, 25 gene bank accessions, 10 plant rediscoveries and continues to advance academic excellence through its dedicated faculty.

About the Programme

The seminar will provide a platform for knowledge exchange on innovative research, biodiversity, and the ecological significance of lower plant forms. Through invited talks, paper presentations, and interactive sessions, the event seeks to foster scientific collaboration, encourage young researchers, and promote excellence in botanical research and education.

Invited Speakers



Prof. (Dr.) E. A. SIRIL

(Professor & Former Head, Department of Botany University of Kerala, Kariavattom)

Topic :
Bryophytes as Model Plants in Biotechnological Investigations :
Present Status and Future Prospects



Prof. (Dr.) Fr. JOSE JOHN C.M.I.

(Principal, Santhigiri College, Vazhithala, Thodupuzha)

Topic :
An Insight into Algae



Dr. RAJESH KUMAR K. C.

(Scientist- E, National Fungal Culture Collection of India, B&P (fungi) Group, Agharkar Research Institute, Pune)

Topic :
Mycology in Transition; Redefining Indian Fungal Taxonomy in the Genomic Era



Dr. BRIJITHLAL N. D.

(Associate Professor, Department of Botany, Bishop Moore College, Mavelikkara)

Topic :
Bryophytes, as Functional Drivers of Ecosystem processes



Dr. RAJU ANTONY

(Senior Technical officer JNTBGRI, Palode)

Topic :
Diversity & Distribution of Pteridophytes in the Western Ghats

FOCAL THEMES

- Lower Forms
- Microbial & Aquatic Diversity
- Phytochemistry
- Floristic Study
- Biodiversity & Conservation Biology
- Recent Trends in Plant Biotechnology

Abstract and Full Paper Submission

The participants who wish to contribute (oral/poster) research / review paper in the Seminar are requested to send the abstract in advance while registration. Full length paper should be sent the abstract in advance while registration. Full length paper should be sent to the specified email ID: etpslstdc@gmail.com.

The beginning of the paper should contain the following information - Title of the paper, Authors name, Name & address of the Institution, email ID & Contact number. Papers Shall be typed only in MS Word format, Times New Roman, Font size 12 & line spacing 1.5 with 1 inch Margin on all sides.

Abstract should not exceed 250 words

Call for Presentations (Oral / Poster)

Best Presentations will be Awarded

