

Monthly Programme Report

Maharaja's College BMC

Institution Name: **Maharaja's College**

BMC Code: **ERM/2022/32**

Programme Title: **Neelakurinji Photo exhibition**

Program Category: Awareness program(Seminars/symposia/workshops/others)	Activity Type: Awareness Program	No. of participants: 120
Planned Date: 14-11-2023	Renewed date: -	Program Date: 24-05-2024
Budgeted Amount: Rs 3000/-	Total expenditure: Rs 2703/-	Balance: Rs 297/-

Brief Report

A photo exhibition of *Strobilanthes kunthiana* (*Neelakurinji*) was organized by Bhoomithra Sena in association with Department of Botany on 14th November 2023.

The exhibition was inaugurated by Principal, Dr. Jayamol KV. Nearly 65 photographs of *Neelakurinji* by Dr. Jomy Augustine, former Head of the Department of Botany at St. Thomas College, Pala, were on display at the venue. An expert in *Neelakurinji*, he had traversed the full length of the Western Ghats in search of the magic weaved by the protected species. Dr. Augustine said that he had travelled to the hill ranges on several occasions to document the various species and that each variety had its own special features and helped in capturing the magic moments of the flower that blossoms only during certain years. It was his 35th exhibition of photographs on *Neelakurinji* at the Maharaja's College. Students from nearby Colleges visited the exhibition.

Expenditure Statement

Item	Expenditure	Remarks
Honorarium	Rs 1500	
Organizing expenses	Rs 1203	
Budgeted Amount		Rs 3000
Total Expenditure		Rs 2703
Balance Amount		Rs 297

Photographs

