

Monthly Programme Report

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES UNIVERSITY OF KERALA BMC

Institution Name: **DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES UNIVERSITY OF KERALA**

BMC Code: **TVM/2010/23**

ProgrammeTitle: **World Wetlands Day Observation 2025**

Program Category: Observance of Environmentally Significant Day	Activity Type: Awarness Program	No.of participants: 60
Planned Date: 02-04-2025	Renewed date: 04-02-2025	Program Date: 02-04-2025
Budgeted Amount: Rs 3429/-	Total expenditure: Rs 3429/-	Balance: Rs 0/-

Brief Report

The Bhoomithrasena Club of the Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Kerala, successfully organized a one-day symposium on February 4, 2025, in observance of World Wetlands Day. The event, held in hybrid mode, brought together distinguished experts and scholars to discuss critical issues in wetland conservation and management.

Shri. Sunil Pamidi, Director, DOECC, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest and delivered an insightful inaugural address emphasizing the importance of wetlands in maintaining ecological balance and supporting biodiversity. He highlighted the urgent need for conservation initiatives and sustainable management practices to protect these vital ecosystems. A team of Professionals from the State Wetland Authority Kerala (SWAK), namely, Amritha KM (Project Scientist), Dr. Nimmi N (Wetland Specialist), Niveditha (Wetland Analyst), Akhila V Ashok (Project Assistant), Selvi T. R (Project Assistant), and Akshara Ashok (Wetland Analyst), graced the occasion. Dr. Sabu Joseph, Prof. and Head, Dept of Environmental Sciences, presided over the function.

The symposium featured a series of scholarly discussions by eminent experts in the field. Dr. Srikumar Chadopadya (Retired Scientist, NCESS), Dr. K. Soman (Retired Scientist, NCESS), Dr. Eric Volanski (Prof. James Cook University, Australia), and Dr. Tim Jennerjen (ZMT, Leibniz Centre for Tropical Marine Research, Germany). shared their expertise on various aspects of wetland ecosystems, including their ecological significance, threats, and conservation strategies.

Expenditure Statement

Item	Expenditure	Remarks
World Wetlands Day Observation 2025	Rs 3429	Refreshments for participants, mementos for resource persons, Brochure printing
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Total Expenditure		Rs 3429
Balance Amount		Rs 0

Photographs

