UPROOTING OF INVASIVES

23rd March 2024

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

The state of Kerala is blessed with rich flora and fauna. This include indigenous and exotic species. These exotic species when cause ecological and economic impact in the introduced habitat are termed as invasive species and the process is called biological invasion. Among the rich floral diversity, eighty-two plants have been reported as invasive throughout the state.

Creating awareness at a grass root level is a crucial part of managing invasive alien plants. This plays a very important role in further introductions of these species. Towards this, an awareness programme was conducted to the cleaning staff of Christ College (Autonomous), Irinjalakuda by the Department of Botany in association with Biodiversity club on 23rd March 2024. They were made aware of the various invasive alien plants in the campus and the various negative impacts of these species. They were also given knowledge about the management practices which can be implemented to check the spread of the plants. The management programme was led by Dr. R Soumya, Dr. Bijoy C., and Ms Sreelakshmi V. V. the awarenss talk was given by Ms. Poornima P P, student coordinator, Biodiversity club. The programme was conducted in the forenoon session. As a part of the programme, the staff were also made aware of the various invasive plants infested areas in the campus by direct visit to those areas. They also got a on field experience about the growing nature of the plants.







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OUTCOMES

- 1. The cleaning staff became aware of the various invasive alien plants in the campus.
- 2. They became mindful about the different management programmes to be conducted to manage them.