A National Webinar on "Biodiversity and Conservation-Ecosystem Restoration" was organized by the Department of Botany on 29.06.2021.

Objectives of the Webinar:

As per the Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India, the objectives of conservation of biodiversity are:

- (a) To increase public awareness through media, government agencies, NGOs, etc.
- (b) To implement strict restrictions on export of rare plants and animals.
- (c) To preserve all varieties of old and new flora, fauna and microbes.
- (d) To protect natural habitats.
- e) To protect all critically endangered, endangered, and rare species.
- (f) To reduce pollution.
- (g) To maintain ecological balance.
- (h) To utilize the natural resources in a sustainable way.

Two Eminent Speakers **Prof. T. Pullaiah**, Department of Botany, UGC BSR Faculty Fellow, Sri Krishnadevaraya University, Ananthapur, Andhra Pradesh and **Dr C. Sudhakar Reddy**, Scientist-SG & Head, Forest diversity and Ecosystem Division, National Remote sensing Centre, Indian Space Research Organization, Hyderabad were the resource persons on the occasion.

The total number of registrations for the national webinar was 430. The participants were from different States of India such as Chhattisgarh, Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, West Bengal, Delhi, Kerala, Tamilnadu, Telangana, Utter Pradesh, Rajasthan.

292 Certificates were issued to the participants who attended and submitted the feedback form.

We hope that this webinar has fulfilled the objectives of creating awareness among the participants regarding the Biodiversity and Conservation-Ecosystem Restoration.





