

ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE, MAPUSA GOA

Report of Activity conducted in the Academic Year 2024-25

Name of Activity	Workshop: Hands on Training in Herbarium Techniques		
Date/Duration	31/08/2024		
Venue	Laboratory, Department of Botany, St. Xavier's College		
Name of Organizing	Botany		
Department/Cell			
In collaboration with	DBT Star College Scheme		
Name/s of Faculty	Dr. Harshala Shetgaokar		
Coordinator			
Stratum of Event	College		
Name & details of Resource	Dr. Harshala Shetgaokar		
Person/s if any			
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	Preserved plant specimens provide us with important information about plant diversity and distribution, in a relatively permanent and variable form that serves as evidence of a plant's existence in time and space. Objectives of the workshop is to identify the significance of herbarium, train students to prepare plant herbarium using scientific method, and enrich our herbarium collection in housed in the department of Botany. The Workshop was conducted on 31st August 2024 under the DBT		
	Star College Scheme by the Department of Botany, St. Xavier's College Mapusa, Goa. Resource person for the day was Dr.		

	Harshala Shetgaokar, Assistant Professor St. Xavier's College Mapusa, Goa. The training session was held in the Botany Laboratory and was attended by total 13 (five SYBSc and eight T.Y.B.Sc.) students, Assistant professor Dr. Seema Dessai e Fernandes, Botany Laboratory Assistant Ms. Patricia Fernandes and Field Collector of Botany Ms. Siya Kandolkar. The training began with an introduction emphasizing importance of herbarium and mention of the collection of herbarium specimens in housed in the department of Botany. Dr. Harshala Shetgaokar delivered a detailed lecture on herbarium techniques which included the i. Collection of plant specimens; ii. Pressing; iii. Drying and Poisoning iv. Mounting; v. Labelling vi. Filing and deposition in herbarium cabinets and vii. Maintenance of herbarium specimens. Participants were shown the equipment utilized for collection of plant specimen. Participants were explained the use of plant field press, field note book, and also demonstrated how to prepare and use specimen tag. The participants were shown blotting papers, Species cover, Genus cover and herbarium mounting sheets. The participants actively interacted with the resource persons			
	during the training session. The resource person guided participants while they tried their hands on preparation of plant herbarium. The feedbacks were received from the students in a prescribed format.			
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	content/uploads/2024/11/Brochure-of-Workshop.pdf			
Photographs	https://xavierscollegegoa.ac.in/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Photo-			
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List of participants with	https://xavierscollegegoa.ac.in/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/List-of-			
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