

Prof. B.K. Nayar Endowment Award

State level Quiz Competition

The Department of Botany, University of Calicut has organized an Intercollegiate quiz competition for the M.Sc. Botany/Plant Science students of various Colleges/University Departments in Kerala as part of the Endowment Award in memory of Prof. B.K. Nayar, the Founder HoD and renowned Pteridologist. The quiz competition was conducted in two levels. The first level was conducted in six zones of Kerala on 7th January 2023, in which 38 teams from different colleges participated. Alumni members of the Department of Botany, and now serving as faculty members in different colleges coordinated this event. The zone wise coordinators were; 1 - Dr. Viji K.R. (Women's College, Thiruvananthapuram), 2 - Dr. Thomas V. P. (Catholicate College, Pathanamthitta), 3 - Ms. I. K. Nishitha (St. Teresa's College, Ernakulam), 4 - Dr. Anto P.V. (St. Thomas College, Thrissur), 5 - Dr. Arun Kumar T.K. (the Zamorin's Guruvayurappan College, Kozhikode) and 6 - Dr. Abdussalam A.K. (Sir Syed College, Taliparamba, Kannur).

Nine teams who scored highest among 38 teams in the first level were selected for final level competition. The winners of the first level competition are; 1st place: Abhyudaya J & Rohini Haridas (University of Calicut), 2nd place: Anaswar Prasannan & Lulu Mumthas V.K. (University of Calicut), Sisira Sanil & Anunandana V. (Mahatma Gandhi Govt. Arts College, Mahe; 3rd place: Lulu & Reshma T.T. (St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) Devagiri), 4th Place: Sreejitha M.R. & Reshma P.M. (SN College, Nattika); 5th place: Aleena Jo & Adarsh J. (Catholicate College, Pathanamthitta), Saliha Mol V. & Rajiya (Sree Neelakanda Govt. Sanskrit College, Pattambi), Adheena Shiji & Swathi Krishna (St. Thomas College, Pala) and 6th place: Amritha, S. & Abana Padma Pooja B. (Govt. College for Women, Thiruvananthapuram).

The final level quiz competition held on 17th January 2023 at the Department of Botany of University of Calicut was inaugurated by Prof. Dr. M. Nasser, Hon'ble Pro Vice Chancellor of University of Calicut. Dr. Mino Divakaran, Professor of Botany, Providence Women's College, Kozhikode acted as the quiz master. The winners were; Anaswar Prasannan & Lulu Mumthas V.K. (University of Calicut- 1st Prize), Abhyudaya J. & Rohini Haridas (University of Calicut- 2nd Prize) and Sisira Sanil & Anunandana V. (Mahatma Gandhi Govt. Arts College, Mahe - 3rd Prize). Prof. Dr. M.K. Jayaraj, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of University of Calicut distributed the Endowment cash Award to the winners on 18th January 2023 on the occasion of the Merit Day. The winners were given a certificate of merit and cash prizes of Rs. 5000/-, Rs. 3000/- and Rs. 2000/- for the 1st, 2nd & 3rd prizes respectively. Certificates were also awarded to all the participants of the first and final levels of this quiz competition.



Inauguration by Dr. M. Nasser (Pro Vice Chancellor)



Quizzing by Dr. Minoo Divakaran



1st Prize: Anaswar Prasannan & Lulu Mumthas



2nd Prize: Abhyudaya J. & Rohini Haridas



3rd Prize: Sisira Sanil & Anunandana V.