Faculty Development Programme

"Biotechnology Today and Tomorrow: Innovations and Implications"

01.09.2022 to 05.09.2022

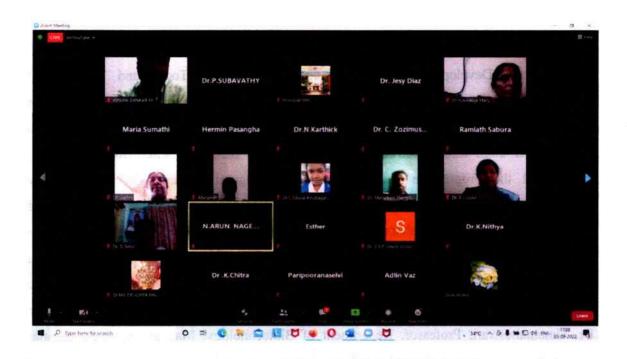




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Faculty Development Programme on "Biotechnology Today and Tomorrow : Innovations and Implications" was organized by Marian Star Centre, PG and Research Department of Zoology, St.Mary's College(Autonomous) Thoothukudi from 1st September to 5th September 2022 through virtual platform, Rev. Dr. Sr. A.S.J. Lucia Rose, Principal, inaugurated the programme and delivered the inaugural address. On the first day Dr.M.Bavanilatha, Associate Professor, Department of Biotechnology, School of Bio and Chemical Engineering, Sathyabama Institute of Science and Technology, Chennai chaired the programme. Dr.M.Bavanilatha addressed the audience on 'Biotechnological innovations in controlling diseases'. She emphasized on the importance of Biotechnology in fulfilling the urgent needs of the society, specially in reducing the burden of diseases. On the 2nd day Dr. Umamaheswari, Professor, Department of Biotechnology, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli, delivered a talk on 'Earthworms in Biotechnology'. She explained how to identify the commercially important earthworms, their cocoons as well as about the layout of vermibed/ vermipit and indoor composting in pits. She addressed on metagenomics and it's applications in understanding host interactions, discovery of DNA variation, drug/ vaccine development, genetic engineering, etc. Dr M. Kirupa Sankar, Assistant Professor (Selection Grade) Department of Biotechnology, Bannari Amman Institute of Technology, Sathyamangalam, was the resource person for the third day. He delivered a talk on the Role of Biotechnology in Addressing Future Energy Demand and Creating Circular Sustainable Bioeconomy. He emphasised the application of artificial intelligence in the medical field and agriculture. He also highlighted the importance of artificial intelligence incorporating systems to diagnose cancer and cardiac arrest within a fraction of a second. Dr.Karthika Pushparai, Assistant professor of Zoology, School of Biosciences, Avinashilingam Institute for Home Science and Higher Education for Women, Coimbatore was the resource person for the 4th day (4.09.22) of the Faculty Development Program. She gave a lecture on Rationale of Interdisciplinary Sciences-Tangible Cues of Sustainable Development in the field of Biotechnology. Dr.Karthika Pushparaj addressed the various interdisciplinary avenues in biotechnology and its scope for career development. Dr.S.Sudhakar, Professor, Department of Biotechnology, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli served as the resource person on the fifth day. He delivered the lecture on "Mechanism of Ageing". His lecture intricated the ageing process, cells from aged and young individuals, secret of ageing and life span of cells. The faculty members from various institutions across Tamil Nadu participated in the Faculty Development Programme. 47 participants benefitted out through this

programme. This faculty development programme enriched the knowledge of faculties on various aspects of Biotechnology and its recent advancements.

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