

## **REPORT**

The Two day 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Challenges to Environment and Health (ICEH - 2020) was organized by the P.G department of Zoology, Jamal Mohamed College was held on 18 &19<sup>th</sup> November 2020. This is the second International Conference organised by Zoology department successfully on the same topic. Stem cell culture, Biodiversity Conservation, Molecular Biology, Aquaculture, Marine Biology, Vector Biology, Bioremediation, Radiation Biology, Animal Biotechnology, Vermiculture Technology, Environmental Toxicology, Environmental Biotechnology and Environmental Microbiology were the theme areas of the conference.

180 delegates from following reputed institutions participated in the event.

- 1. Jammu University, Jammu & Kashmir.
- 2. CAS in Marine Biology, Annamalai University
- 3. Providence Women's College, Calicut, Kerala
- 4. Osmania university, Hyderabad, Telungana
- 5. MGV's Arts, Science & Commerce College, Surgana, Maharashtra
- 6. Sree Narayana College, Nattika, Thrissur, Kerala
- 7. Sidho Kanho Birsha University, West bengal
- 8. A.D.M.College for Women(A), Nagapattinam, Tamil Nadu
- 9. INTACH Nagercoil Chapter, Tamil Nadu
- 10. A. V. C. College (Autonomous), Mannampandal, Tamil Nadu
- 11. Ayya Nadar Janaki Ammal College, Sivakasi, Tamil Nadu
- 12. Bharathiar University, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu
- 13. Vellalar College for Women, Erode, Tamil Nadu
- 14. Loyola College, Chennai, Tamil Nadu
- 15. Lady doak college, Madurai, Tamil Nadu
- 16. PSGR Krishnammal College for Women, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu
- 17. Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli, Tamil Nadu
- 18. Kalai Kaviri College of fine arts, Trichy, Tamil Nadu.
- 19. Sadakathullah Appa College, Tirunelveli, Tamil Nadu
- 20. Madurai Kamaraj University, Tamil Nadu
- 21. Mother Teresa Women's University, Kodaikanal, Tamil Nadu
- 22. Khadir Mohideen College, Adirampattinum, Tamil Nadu
- 23. Hajee. Karutha Rowther Howdia College, Theni, Tamil Nadu
- 24. Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute, Mandapam, Tamil Nadu
- 25. Arignar Anna Governement Arts Science College, Vilupuram, Tamil Nadu

About 70 research papers were received from Faculty members, Research scholars, PG and UG students of various Colleges and Universities. Among them, 30 abstracts were selected for presentation and published in proceedings with ISBN number. We feel very proud to inform that this is the first time, selected Manuscripts from this International Conference has published in Journal of Advanced Applied Scientific Research - JOAASR (listed in Web of Science journal). In this regard, we wholeheartedly thank all the participants for their immense contributions in the form of abstracts. All the research scholars together with the faculty members have succeeded in their attempts to present their works here, which helped to motivate young minds and to create a scientific temper among the student community. To recognise and encourage their efforts, we have also awarded a Young Scientist award for the best presentation.

**Dr. L. KIFAYATHULLAH**, Stanford University, USA inaugurated the seminar in the morning and delivered a lecture on "*STEM CELLS AND REGENERATION: MOLECULAR BASIS AND APPLICATIONS*". Dr. S. ISMAIL MOHIDEEN, Principal, Jamal Mohamed College presided over the function. Dr. A.K. KHAJA NAZEEMUDEEN, Secretary and Correspondent of the college, Hajee. M.J. JAMAL MOHAMED, Treasurer and Dr. K. ABDUS SAMAD, Assistant Secretary, felicitated the occasion.

Dr. I. JOSEPH A. JERALD, Associate Professor and Head, Dept. of Zoology welcomed the participants and introduced the speakers. ORAL presentations of selected abstracts were presented in the afternoon session. This was followed by technical session Keynote lecture was given by **DR. P. SUNDARARAJ**, Rtd Professor of Bharathiar University on "WORMS-WHAT DO YOU KNOW?". He discussed the positive and negative roles of Plant and Animal Nematodes in Environment and Health.

The Second day program started with the 4<sup>th</sup> Technical session with the Key note address given by Dr. C. GUNASEKARAN, Associate Professor of Zoology, Bharathiar University, Coimbatore. He spoke on "ETHICS IN BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION" This was followed by ORAL Presentations. The key note address for the Afternoon 5<sup>th</sup> Technical session was given by Dr. KARTHIKKUMAR, V, on the topic, "ROLE OF PHYTOCHEMICALS IN COLON CANCER". His talk was very informative with much information on Colon Cancer.





