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**NATIONAL MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY**  
**Ministry of Environment & Forests**  
Tansen Marg, New Delhi-110 001

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To

The Deputy Secretary (GC),  
Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,  
Jor Bagh,  
New Delhi-110 003.

**Sub: Monthly Report for the Cabinet – reg.**

Sir,

I am directed to enclose herewith the Monthly Report of the National Museum of Natural History for the month of September, 2014.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

Naaz Rizvi  
Scientist-D

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Shri M.M. Pandey, Under Secretary, Ministry of Environment & Forests, Paryavaran Bhawan,  
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## **Monthly Report for the month of September, 2014**

**Foot Falls-** A total number of 46109 public and school students visited NMNH and its Regional Centres during the month of September.

NMNH, New Delhi organized “Model Making Competition” and “Painting Competition” in the atrium of the newly constructed building of Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change for the school students on the occasion of “International Day for the Preservation of Ozone Layer” on 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2014. Shri Prakash Javadekar, Honorable Minister of State (Independent Charge), Environment, Forests and Climate Change, was the Chief Guest of the programme. He spent quality time with children and encouraged them by direct interaction and also addressed the students, teachers, ministry officials and other people during the programme. Two keynote lectures had additional attraction to the programme respectively “Climate Change and its Impact on India” by Prof. N. H. Ravindranath, Indian Institute of Sciences, Bengaluru and “Ozone layer protection: Mission goes on” by Dr. Ajay Mathur, Director General, Bureau of Energy Efficiency.

Similarly, RMNH-Bhopal, RMNH-Bhubaneswar and RGRMNH-Sawai Madhopur also organized “International Day for preservation of Ozone Layer” on 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2014. On this occasion they also organized various competitions such as “Written Quiz and Oral Quiz” to create awareness among children about the ill-effects of ozone layer depletion, green house gases, global warming etc. and gave message to reduce Ozone Depleting Substances (ODS).

RMNH, Mysore organized a “Teacher Training Workshop” on “Connecting Children Back to Nature” for the middle school teachers working in semi urban environment during the month of September 2014. RMNH, Mysore collaborated with Mysore Science Foundation and organized a “Cartoon writing competition on Eco- Friendly Ganapa” by extending infrastructure and staff support towards success of the programme. The programme was organized in order to educate the children to celebrate Ganesh festival in an eco friendly way and also to bring awareness about various way and means by which the natural habitat mainly the water resources get polluted due to immersion of Ganesh idol in fresh water bodies. RMNH, Mysore and Mysore Science Foundation (MSF) also jointly organized a programme “Interaction with Scientist” a lecture series - 4 on 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2014 at RMNH auditorium.

RMNH, Bhopal, organized a “Learning Lab” Programme on 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2014. It was a special interactive session for 33 participants of Post Graduate Diploma in Environmental Management (PGDEM) from Environmental Planning & Coordination Organization, Bhopal.

RMNH, Bhubaneswar in collaboration with Kalinga Foundation Trust and Department of Science & Technology, Govt. of India organized a lecture by Prof. Xiangi Yi Li, Honorary President of China Association of Natural Science Museums and UNESCO Kalinga Prize winner for Popularization of Science-2013 on the topic “Future Belongs to Those Who Have Innovative Thinking” on Sunday, the 14th September 2014, in the museum auditorium.

RGRMNH, Sawai Madhopur celebrated Teacher’s Day on 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2014, and delivered special lecture & screened a wildlife documentary to 300 school students. RGRMNH collected a dead Monitor Lizard found in museum campus. Skinning, Tanning & Curing of Monitor Lizard completed for further display to exhibit in museum.