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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 November, 2014.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

Dr. Reena Dey
Scientist-C

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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 November, 2014

Foot Falls- A total number of **62,275** public and school students visited NMNH and its Regional Museums at Mysore, Bhopal, Bhubaneswar and Sawai Madhopur during the month of November 2014.

The Land Allotment Screening Committee of Ministry of Urban Development in its meeting held on 22nd October 2014 recommended the proposal for allotment of 6.5 acres of land for construction of National Museum of Natural History behind Purana Quila at Bhairon Mandir Road, opposite Pragati Maidan, New Delhi to the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change.

NMNH, New Delhi in association with HT PACE conducted NMNH-HT PACE Essay Writing Competition on 12th November 2014 for HT PACE member schools. The competition was conducted in two categories: Junior category for class IV & V and Senior category for class VI, VII & VIII. Entries were evaluated by a panel of judges nominated by NMNH. The First Prize winners in each category will be awarded the glittering NMNH- HT PACE Rolling Trophy for their schools. In addition, all 16 winners will be taken for an exciting Nature Study Tour to Aravalli Biodiversity Park, Vasant Vihar, Delhi on 26th November 2014.

NMNH, New Delhi and its all RMNHs, has observed Vigilance Awareness Week-2014 between 27th Oct. – 1st Nov. 2014. Vigilance Pledge from Central Vigilance Commission was ensured among staff of the museum and Banners and placards were displayed at the prominent location of the museum.

RMNH, Mysore and Mysore Science foundation has jointly organized a programme “Interaction with Scientist” 7th programme in its series on 16th November 2014 at RMNH, auditorium. Dr. Roopa Venkatesh, Scientist, ISRO, Bangalore, delivered a lecture with power point presentation on “India’s Leap towards Mars”. She was one among the team scientists involved in Mars mission.

RMNH, Bhubaneswar organized an “Awareness programme on migratory birds of Chilika Lake” on 16th November 2014. Ten M.Sc. Life science students from Utkal University participated and observed the habitat of 45 species of birds. The museum facilitated a meeting on “Protection and Conservation of Olive Ridley Sea Turtles” organized by State Wildlife Organization involving local NGOs and frontline staff of Coastal Forest Divisions including the Research Fellows of Wildlife Organization on 20th November 2014.

RGRMNH, Sawai Madhopur invited schools of Sawai Madhopur on the occasion of Children’s Day on 14th November 2014. Museum organized a special talk for the students and about 1,177 students attended the function along with teachers from 13 schools and also Documentary film on Wildlife & Nature screened to them.