Major Achievements NATIONAL MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY Monthly Report for the month of September, 2015

Foot Falls-

 A total number of 50,719 people, including general public and school students, visited NMNH Museums (New Delhi, Mysore, Bhopal, Bhubaneswar and Sawai Madhopur) during the month of September 2015.

Educational Programmes:

During the month various educational programmes were organized:

- Programme "Orientation Workshop for Trainee Teachers": Was organised at NMNH, New Delhi from 3rd-5th September, 2015. The trainee teachers pursuing D. El. Ed. at D. I. E. T. Moti Bagh, New Delhi participated in this workshop.
- Programme "Declamation Contest": Was held at NMNH on 16th September, 2015 for the school students from class VIII to X to commemorate "International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer". The theme for the contest was: "30 Years of Healing the Ozone Together". Similarly RMNH-Bhopal, RMNH-Bhubaneswar, and RGRMNH-Sawai Madhopur also organized Power Point lectures on International Ozone Day, Written Quiz Competition and Oral Quiz Competition respectively on 16th September, 2015.
- RMNH, Mysore observed International Vulture Awareness Day on 5th September, 2015. During the occasion, posters depicting different species of vulture found in India and the threats for the decline in the population of vultures and their role in the ecosystem as nature's scavengers was highlighted to the visiting public.
- Programme "Interaction with Scientist-16th programme": Was organized by the RMNH Mysore on 20th September 2015.
- RMNH, Bhubaneswar organized an Odia Essay Competition in collaboration with NWSCO and Chandaka Wildlife Division, Bhubaneswar in September 2015

Film shows:

• Regular film shows on popular subjects on environment, wildlife, natural history etc were shown in all Museums under the NMNH (New Delhi, Mysore, Bhopal, Bhubaneswar and Sawai Madhopur).

Collections:

- RGRMNH, Sawai Madhopur collected eggs of Rock Pigeon, which were de-syringed and preserved.
- RGRMNH, Sawai Madhopur also collected dead Female Sparrow and Dusky Crag Martin Birds from RGRMNH campus.

• Exhibit of the Month:

• An exhibit of the month is opened for the public in the Conservation Gallery of the NMNH-HQ, to commemorate "WORLD RHINO DAY" on 22nd September, 2015. The Exhibit of the Month on the Theme: "Rhino Horn is No Medicine" – is an effort made by the NMNH to raise awareness of the threat facing the world's five Rhino species.

The stuffed specimen of Eunectes murinus, the Green Anaconda, was exhibited at RMNH, Mysore in September 2015 for the benefit of public to create awareness about Anaconda and the Indian Python.

Alizarin red-S prepared specimens of frog, tortoise and garden lizards was displayed for public. This exhibit shows the transparency technique to demonstrate skeleton which has been used from years.

An exhibit of Fiber Model of Elephant has been inaugurated for the general public on 15th September, 2015 at RGRMNH, SWM in connection with Ganesh Chaturthi.

Anniversary:

The anniversary of the RMNH Bhopal was celebrated on 29th September 2015 with Chief Guest Dr R G Soni, PCCF (Retd). A photo contest for young was arranged along with photo Exhibition on the occasion.