

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS : JANUARY, 2015

1. Foot Falls:

A total number of **86,493** people visited NMNH Museums (New Delhi, Mysore, Bhopal, Bhubaneswar and Sawai Madhopur) during the month of January 2015. Among them 32174 are from schools.

2. Educational Programmes: During the month various educational programmes were organized:

- A Declamation Contest on environmental issues organized on 28th January, 2016 at NMNH, New Delhi for visually impaired children. 60 school students of class VIII& IX along with teachers/escorts from 12 special schools participated. The topic for the contest: “End Pollution before it ends you”.
- Winter Nature Programme for two days has been organized by RGRMNH, Sawai Madhopur on 22nd& 23rd January, 2016. Out of 32 entries from different schools in and around Sawai Madhopur about 15 Students have been shortlisted through lot system for Winter Nature Programme-2016. Participants were taken to Keoladeo National Park, Bharatpur on field visit to explore bird diversity.
- RMNH, Mysore has organised a special visit to the Museum for Children Science Congress Participants on 6th January 2016. About 300 Children Congress Participants benefited.
- RMNH Bhubaneswar organised two days Winter Nature Camp at Satpada, Chilika Lake for selected students of B.Sc. (Life Science) from various colleges of Khordha, Cuttack and Puri districts during 22nd to 23rd January 2016.
- Essay Writing Competition for disabled community was organised on January 30, 2016 at RMNH, Bhopal.

3. Exhibition:

- An exhibition on Intangible Heritage and Biodiversity was inaugurated on 6th January 2016 by RMNH, Mysore. There were about 24 panels depicting the knowledge and practices concerning nature and universe including the traditional knowledge about biodiversity and ancient tradition of conservation of nature and natural resources through the sacred animals and sacred plants.
- RMNH, Bhubaneswar inaugurated Exhibit of the month on “Local bird /Jungle Fowl” on 5th January 2016.

4. Collaborative Programme: RMNH Mysore in collaboration with Mysore Science foundation (MSF) jointly organised “Interaction with Scientists” programme-20th on 17th January 2016 in which Dr. Mahesh Kasyap, Scientist, Bangalore delivered a lecture on “Air and Noise Pollution”. 150 BENEFITTED.

5. Film shows:

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

6. Meetings: The Joint Secretary (SK) arranged two review meetings of the NMNH (HQ and RMNH) on 8th and 27th January in the MoEFCC.

7. Forthcoming Programmes:

- Winter Nature Camp at Satpura National Park, during February 11-12, 2016, RMNH, Bhopal.
- Interaction with Scientist (21st programme in its series) on 21st, February, 2016 at RMNH, Mysore.