

## National Service Scheme Unit 17 A & B Government College Kariavattom



## Nature Education Camp 2023

NSS unit 17A &B Government College Kariavattom organized a nature camp to Kattilappara section of Shenduruny sanctuary as a part of its regular activities. 44 students were accompanied by 4 faculties of the institution. We departed on 10<sup>th</sup> November 1pm from our campus and reached the camp site by 5pm. On our way we visited the forest museum Kulathupuzha. We were heartly welcomed by the officials. By 7pm we had our first session by Mr. Binu, section forest officer on the topic "what do you mean by forest?". Dinner was served by 8pm. Food served was highly nutritious and was prepared by the members of ECE. Cultural programme were organized by the students and the day ended







## Day 2

Trekking was the major attraction among the second day activities. 44 students along with 4 faculties and 4 officials of the forest department trekked 5kms deep into the forest. The trekking was led by Mr. Robert, Beat forest officer. Robert sir explained about the local history of the place and gave a detail account on the trees that stood across the trial. He explained in detail about the botanical name and the medicinal and commercial importance of the plants. Myristic swamps was the major site of visit We reached the camp site by 12noon. And after lunch we headed towards the saddle dam, went for a ride in Kottavanchi through out the dam site. By evening we went for the Deer rehabilitation center, Ottakal. Had some leisure time there. We went back to the camp site by 6pm. We had a session by Robert Sir and Binu Sir on "Forest laws and animals". Dinner was served by 8pm. By 9pm a quiz competition was conducted, dividing the whole crew into 5 teams. Team lead by Salman won and they were presented by a book written by JR Ani, Forest warden Shenduruny. Camp review was conducted and everyone shared their views. Day was ended by a camp fire and cultural events by the volunteers.







Bird watching was the major attraction among the third day activities. We departed from the camp site at 6am morning and trekked 10kms to and from till Neduvanoorkadavu bridge. On the way we heard the sound of varieties of birds, saw the rare spiders, Indian great squirrel and witnessed to see the mesmerizing topography of the forest. Forest watchers Suni Uncle and Kannan Chettan explained the mesmerizing beauty of the forest. We reached the camp site by 9am and had breakfast. By 10, we departed from the camp saying bye to the officials who taught us to be the lovers of forest.





