

TOUR REPORT  
OF  
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY  
TO  
KANATAL, DEVALSARI, KAUDIA FOREST AND  
DHANAULTI (TEHRI GARHWAL)  
ON  
18<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> November 2022



Accompanying Department: Microbiology and Chemistry

Accompanying Faculty: Dr. Shweta Sahni & Dr. Kamla Jakhmola

Total students: 46

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Dr. Saurabh Guleri.

## Attendance of students

S.N	Name of student	Class	Present/Absent
1	Neha Negi	M.Sc. Botany-I	Present
2	Vedika Sharma	M.Sc. Botany-I	Present
3	Jyoti Singh	M.Sc. Botany-I	Present
4	Elei Issachar	M.Sc. Botany-I	Present
5	Abhishek Saini	M.Sc. Botany-I	Present
6	Pratibha	B.Sc. Micro-V	Present
7	Deepika	B.Sc. Micro-V	Present
8	Sumit Dimri	B.Sc. Micro-V	Present
9	Mahak Rawat	B.Sc. Micro-V	Present
10	Kumari Sarita	B.Sc. Micro V	Present
11	Upasna	B.Sc. Micro V	Present
12	Madhvi Khurana	B.Sc. Micro I	Present
13	Joya Khan	B.Sc. Micro I	Present
14	Mohd. Anas	M.Sc. Micro III	Present
15	Sakshi	M.Sc. Micro III	Present
16	Paayal	M.Sc. Micro III	Present
17	Ambika	M.Sc. Micro III	Present
18	Sameeksha	M.Sc. Micro III	Present
19	Rakhi	M.Sc. Micro III	Present
20	Jyoti	M.Sc. Micro III	Present
21	Ujjawala	M.Sc. Micro III	Present
22	Deepti	M.Sc. Micro III	Present
23	Sheetal	M.Sc. Micro III	Present
24	Neema	M.Sc. Micro III	Present
25	Yashi Sharma	M.Sc. Micro I	Present
26	Vishal	M.Sc. Micro I	Present
27	Prachi	M.Sc. Micro I	Present
28	Sakshi	M.Sc. Micro I	Present
29	Tanu Pal	M.Sc. Micro I	Present
30	Parneeta	M.Sc. Micro I	Present
31	Neha	M.Sc. Micro I	Present
32	Vishal Singh	M.Sc. Micro I	Present
33	Deepanshu Bhatt	M.Sc. Chemistry III	Present
34	Rakhi Tiwari	M.Sc. Chemistry III	Present
35	Megha	M.Sc. Chemistry III	Present
36	Poonam Sharma	M.Sc. Chemistry III	Present
37	Saud Aziz	M.Sc. Chemistry III	Present
38	Anjali Rawat	M.Sc. Chemistry III	Present
39	Poonam Rani Rawat	M.Sc. Chemistry III	Present
40	Prashansa Rawat	M.Sc. Chemistry III	Present
41	Shaurya Saxena	B.Sc. Micro-III	Present
42	Shreya Pandey	B.Sc. Micro-III	Present
43	Pankaj Sharma	B.Sc. Biotech with Botany	Present
44	Priyanshu Mehra	B.Sc. Micro III	Present
45	Anshita Saini	B.Sc. Micro III	Present
46	Bhawana	M.Sc. Micro-I	Present

## **DAY 1: 18-11-22**

The Department of Botany organizes two days educational tour cum field excursion to Kanatal-Kaudia forest range, Surkunda temple, Buranskhanda and Devalsari, moldhar (The old koneshwar temple) forest range to collect information regarding the vegetational wealth and diversity of flora in the forest on 18th to 19th Nov 2022. The tour was led by Dr. Saurabh Guleri, HoD Botany along with two faculty member's Dr. Shweta Sahni and Dr. Kamla Dhyani with a total of 46 students from Botany, Microbiology and Chemistry. During the first day all students was gathered on University gate at 8am and depart from Dehradun to the devalsari, as the road was very narrow and our driver (monu) said if we can reach on time to moldhar then arrive at our camping after trekking to devalsari before the sunset. So we decided to reach the devalsari first.

From dehradun to devalsari the view was very majestic the students enjoy the lush green forest of Quercus, Chir, Thuja, Rohodendron and our first halt is suakholi where all the students of the tour take breakfast at 11am. After breakfast the students board on two buses and depart to devalsari via almas band, thatyur and banseel-bridge. The bus parked here as the road is block, so we decided to trek. Now the trek was led by one of our student named priyanshu one of the local resident of the area, the trek was started at 12 noon about 8km of trek of moldhar devalsari rich with jaunpuri residents old houses of garhwal range, agri-contour lands. The students interact with people and move to destination. The trek was moderate to hard about 70 degree inclines lush with dense vegetation of mixed forest surrounded by dense canopy of deodar forest. The students love the environment and mesmerizing beauty of 🌿 nature they enjoyed take photographs. Now we didn't think twist is waiting for us as we all faculty connected telephonically to each other. After trekking around 4kms one of the student not able to trek more so unanimously decided two faculties reach the destination and one faculty rest behind with the female student in the village but connected telephonically. After that all students reach the destination at 3pm gathered information and collect some plants samples for their practical field study the students return on around 5pm, the sun was now set-down and we depart to reach our halt to buranskhanda at 8pm where students take small tea and food, after rest the students take dinner around 10pm and there was a fire and music arrangement for students organized for enjoyment, after 11:30 the faculties guided students to sleep on time as all are very tired and we will to check out the camp at 10am next day. As we didn't want to miss the morning view of Shivling, Gangotri, Bandarpoonch, Kedarkantha and Kedarnath himalayan peaks at the morning time so decided to sleep on time. Day 1 tour ends here.

## **Day 2: 19-12-2023**

All students awoke at 7am as the night was very cold and all tired from the day 1 trekking and hiking, the students got fresh at 9am take breakfast and have their backpack to move on kaudia forest where they can learn about the ecology and diversity, pathogenic activity, management of forest related plans and medicinal plant diversity of the area. We can depart

or check out from the camp at 10:30am and passing the dhanaulti, eco forest, kaddukhal and reach the field point I.e. kaudia range, kanatal (Tehri Garhwal) around 11:30am. Now the journey and trekking begins with the seightseeing view of dense forest of high altitudinal ranges, with small angiosperms, gymnosperms and various cryptogams include pteridophytes, lichens and mosses. The students collect the samples as well as prepare their list for further study. The area is under tehri forest division and now it was converted for eco-tourism by the govt. having 15-20 jungle safaris having variety of flora and fauna in deeper forest. In the entry gate there is parking and ticket counter where the charges per person is 50 per head. After return back from the kaudia forest to main gate. We can take our lunch in the local hotel as the charges of the food is very high as we didn't expect it but we have shortage of time and no one option there so take food and depart to next destination surkunda temple, the divine area of mata sati sidh peeth where we can reach around 3pm, now some of the students take rope way and return back to buses around 5pm. Now the, all day ends with small memory and with the glew and moments captured in our hearts and camera we can say bye to the region as the sun was going down and arrived our home around at 8pm. The trip ends here the students enjoyed with happy moments but learn the life in a new way.

### **Some of Glimpses of Tour**



