

Registration fees:

Faculty/students of any of the Universities / Colleges are eligible to participate in poster / Oral presentations & Streetplay competition. Abstracts / synopsis of the presentations will be published in the proceedings. No registration fees will be charged from the UG/PG students; submission of synopsis will automatically confirm their registration. There is a registration fees of Rs. 750/- for Research scholars and teachers (Rs. 600/- if they are members of ATBS and/or Paryavaran Dakshata Mandal). This fee entitles the participants to receive food coupons, conference kit, certificate and proceedings. Their full length papers will be published & a CD of the same will be made available.

Last date of Registration is 25th Jan 2017. Cheque/DD to be drawn on the name of "Paryavaran Dakshata Mandal"

The best oral and poster presentations will be receiving awards. All participants will receive a participation certificate and registration kit. So, get going and email your entries to: paryavaran.wwd@gmail.com,

Specifications**For Oral Presentation:**

Font style: Times New Roman, Font Size: Title and Sub-Title (12 Bold), Text Matter 12, Paper should include- abstract (max 200 words), Introduction, Materials and Methods, Result and Discussion, (with Tables and Figure with suitable titles on separate pages), References (in APA or The Council of Science Editor format). Those papers that are submitted in time and are rectified as per the suggestions of the editorial board will be published in proceedings with ISBN.

For Poster Size:

Mount Board size (max 100cm x 70cm), Title, Authors with Affiliation (institute and address) & other matter preferably with conclusion.

For Street Play

You can prepare a play in English / Hindi/ Marathi language. Time duration is max.8 minutes. A group of max.10 people can participate.

Program schedule**2nd February 2017**

8:30 am to 9.30 am	Registration & Breakfast
9.30 am to 10.30am	Inauguration
10:45 am to 11:45am	Key Note Address
11.45am to 1.30 pm	Presentations
1.30 pm to 02.30 pm	Lunch
2.30pm to 4.00 pm	Presentation
4.00 pm to 4.30 pm	AGM of ATBS / Poster presentations
4.30 pm to 5.30 pm	Valedictory

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And

Enviro-Vigil, Thane As a part of Paryavaran Dakshata Mandal's "CLEAN CREEK MOVEMENT"

On 2nd February, 2017

Conference Venue:

K. M. E. Society's G. M. Momin Women's College, Bhiwandi, Rais High School Campus, Thane Road, Bhiwandi, Dist. Thane, Maharashtra, 421 302

G. M. Momin Women's College

The Konkani Muslim Society, the apex body of G. M. Momin Women's College is offering heart rendering services, for more than 89 years in the field of education by establishing Primary and Secondary schools, Jr. Colleges, Women's college & college of Education. The G. M. Momin Women's College is a multi faculty degree college of Arts, Science and Commerce which also offers B.Sc. IT, BMS, Bio-tech & B.Sc. Interdisciplinary courses. For the past 27 years, our degree college has created its own niche in academics as well as in extra-curricular activities. It has motivated a lot of under privileged women of Bhiwandi to take up higher studies. The college is also conducting M.A., M.Sc., M.com courses and PhD programs, Having bagged University, State and National awards, our college has been reaccredited by NAAC with 'A' grade and also has ISO 9001:2008 certification. Recently our college was selected for the Star College Scheme of DBT.

Association of Teachers in Biological Sciences (ATBS)

ATBS is committed to improving teaching and learning of Biology and has joined hands with Paryavaran Dakshata Mandal in its ventures of spreading awareness towards the environmental issues, including the Clean Creek Movement and Conferences related to World Wetlands Day. Members of ATBS strongly believe that self learning is the best way of learning and encourage the students as well as teachers to take up research projects and the subsequent presentation as well publication. ATBS will be happy to have teachers and students of Bhiwandi and the near about places linking with us for this conference. ATBS also organizes workshops, seminars, conventions and conferences to provide opportunities for teachers as well as students of Biology to keep abreast with recent advancements in the subject.

Paryavaran Dakshata Mandal (Enviro-Vigil)

Paryavaran Dakshata Mandal is an NGO working in the field of Environment in Thane city for last 16 years. Ever since it was formed, its mission has been to create awareness amongst the masses for a clean and healthy environment, not only for the human beings but also for every component of Nature. In order to accomplish this mission Paryavaran Dakshata Mandal has initiated several environment friendly projects, which are progressing very well. Paryavaran Dakshata Mandal has supported setting up of a common facility for treatment and disposal of the Biomedical Waste in Thane. We have established Paryavaran Shala, a school which is open to all and is dedicated to spreading awareness about environment and inculcating a love for nature. We organize seminars on Green Careers to introduce the employment opportunities in the field of environment. We publish a monthly Magazine in Marathi called Apala Paryavaran. We run a unit of Kagad Shilpa to provide an alternative to plastic carry bags. We undertake Jal Saksharta Abhiyan and design and also implement rain water harvesting projects. We have undertaken a detail study of Thane creek and strive to conserve it. Our Environmental Information and Education Center is available for every interested person to study environment related issues. Campaigns are also undertaken to create awareness on pollution created by major Indian festivals.

The Theme

Wetlands are areas where water is the primary factor controlling the environment and associated plant and animal life. They occur where the water table is at or near the surface of the land, or where the land is permanently or temporarily covered by water.

They come in many different guises, including streams, swamps, bogs, lakes, lagoons, estuaries, mudflats and flood plains. They provide habitat to millions of different species of plants and animals and are accordingly rich in biodiversity. They are cradles of biological diversity, providing the water and primary productivity upon which countless species of plants and animals depend for survival.

Throughout history they have been influencing human culture and survival. Wetlands are among the world's most productive environments and hence are vital ecosystems that provide livelihood for millions of people who live around them. However, over past few decades, wetlands have been heavily polluted mainly due to human activities leading to significant economic loss. Therefore, it is time to think as to how we should contribute to the conservation of the wetlands and to prepare an effective action plan.

Keeping this in view, Paryavaran Dakshata Mandal initiated a "CLEAN CREEK MOVEMENT", in 2005 with special focus on The Thane Creek. The main objective of this movement is to generate awareness towards pressing wetland issues among the researchers, academicians, students as well as the local fishermen communities. It will hopefully prevent further damage to the creek and to revive its natural flora and fauna. As a part of this Clean Creek Movement and to commemorate Ramsar Convention on Wetlands we have been organizing a one day conference every year on 2nd February, the World Wetlands Day since 2005.

The forthcoming conference has been organized on Thursday, 2nd February, 2017 at K M E society's G. M. Momin Women's College, Bhiwandi, Thane. The theme for the World Wetlands Day 2017 is "**Wetlands for Disaster Risk Reduction**"

The areas selected for the conference are:

1. Dynamics of wetlands
2. Economics of disaster & risk reduction by wetlands
3. Wetlands and vectors of diseases
4. Wetlands and climate change
5. Strategies for conserving wetlands

We invite papers and posters from the students on these topics. For Paper presentation please send your abstracts with maximum 200 words on or before 15th January, 2017. The Participants will be informed whether they are selected for the final presentations by 25th January, 2017. Also there will be a Poster and Collage making competition on the same day as that of the Conference.