





## **INSTITUTE OF FOREST BIODIVERSITY (IFB), HYDERABAD**

**September 12, 2022** 

In compliance with MoU signed between ICFRE and Kendriya Vidyalaya Sanganth (KVS), to promote awareness about forests and the environment among school children for acquiring skills for care and protection of forests, climate, biodiversity, and society. The Institute of Forest Biodiversity (IFB) organized an awareness program for a group of 35 students in 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> classes accompanied by staff (04 members) of Kendriya Vidyala Sanganth (KVS), Golconda-No-01 on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at Extension cum Training Centre, IFB, Hyderabad under Prakriti program.

Speaking on occasion, Shri E. Manikanta Reddy, Technician, IFB, Hyderabad gave the welcome address and he briefed about the Prakriti program, IFB, and on different aspects of biodiversity, threats, and conservation of biodiversity. During his discussion with students, he enlighted about various forest and environmental issues, climate change, ecological balance, forest fires, etc.

After the session, Mr. Varun Singh, Technician, presented IFB's ongoing research activities, achievements, programs, Nursery techniques, etc.

After the presentation, Mr. E. Manikanta Reddy, Technician, IFB presented an introduction to the People's Biodiversity Register (PBR) and its importance in day-to-day life and also conducted the Quiz competition to the students, and certificates were distributed.

These sessions were followed by a biodiversity walk conducted with the help of Shri N. Yuvaraj Praveen, TA, Shri M. Sagar, Technician & Shri A. Sasidhar Reddy, Technician at the IFB campus. The biodiversity walk aims to generate awareness about biodiversity conservation and the identify of local flora and its importance in and around the IFB campus. The biodiversity walk included Nurseries, Field experiment sites and Entomology, Soil, and NTFP Research Laboratories.

Students were fully enthusiastic and confident to protect the environment and forests. After the program, they met Head Extension, IFB, Shri E. Venkat Reddy, IFS, and conveyed their sincere thanks.

The Overall program is coordinated by Mr. E. Manikanta Reddy, Technician, Extension Division.

## **Glimpse of the programme**

























