**DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY**

**DETAILS OF DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES HELD IN THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2015-16**

* Two Day National Seminar on Future concerns of Environmental Legislations in India. 03-04 Feb. 2016
* Seminar on Wetland Conservation and Sustainable management- a Kerala perspective. 08 Feb. 2016
* The department in collaboration with Kerala State Forest and Wildlife Department organized Asian Waterbird Count of Wetlands International, 31st January 2016.
* Nature Education Camps were organized for the students at Kannavam and Kottiyur Wildlife sanctuary.
* The Department acted as the regional coordinator of the Bird Atlas Project of Bird Count India.
* Participated in the Great Backyard Bird Count Programme of Cornell Lab of Ornithology, United States.
* Invited Lecture on “Sustainable forest management – Kerala perspective” by Sri. V. Ratheesan, Range Forest Officer, Kottiyoor range. 5th Jan. 2015
* Organized a Wildlife Photography Exhibition and interaction with Wildlife Photographer Smt. Razeena Nasir in the wildlife week October, 2015.
* The Department involved in the Vembanad bird count organized by the Kerala Forest Department and Kottayam Nature Society, January 2016

**Faculty Activities/Achievements**

* Malik Fasil M. appointed as the Chairman of Board of Studies in Forestry, Kannur University
* Sneha C. appointed as a member of Board of Studies in Forestry, Kannur University
* Malik Fasil M. is the District Coordinator in the International collaborative Multi Country study on Labour Supply Chain: commissioned by International Organization for Migration (IOM), Geneva and coordinated by IIM Ahmedabad.
* Malik Fasil M. attended short term training course on Mapping Essentials at Gubbi Labs, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore
* Malik Fasil M. attended training workshop on R-commander and Biodiversity R conducted by FERAL, Pondicherry
* Malik Fasil M. attended training programme on Biodiversity Act at IFGTB, Coimbatore
* Sneha C. delivered lecture on Butterflies of Kerala at Govt. Higher Secondary School, Kamballur
* Aneesh K. S. gave a lecture on Butterflies of Kerala at C. E. Bharathan Govt. Higher Secondary School, Mahe