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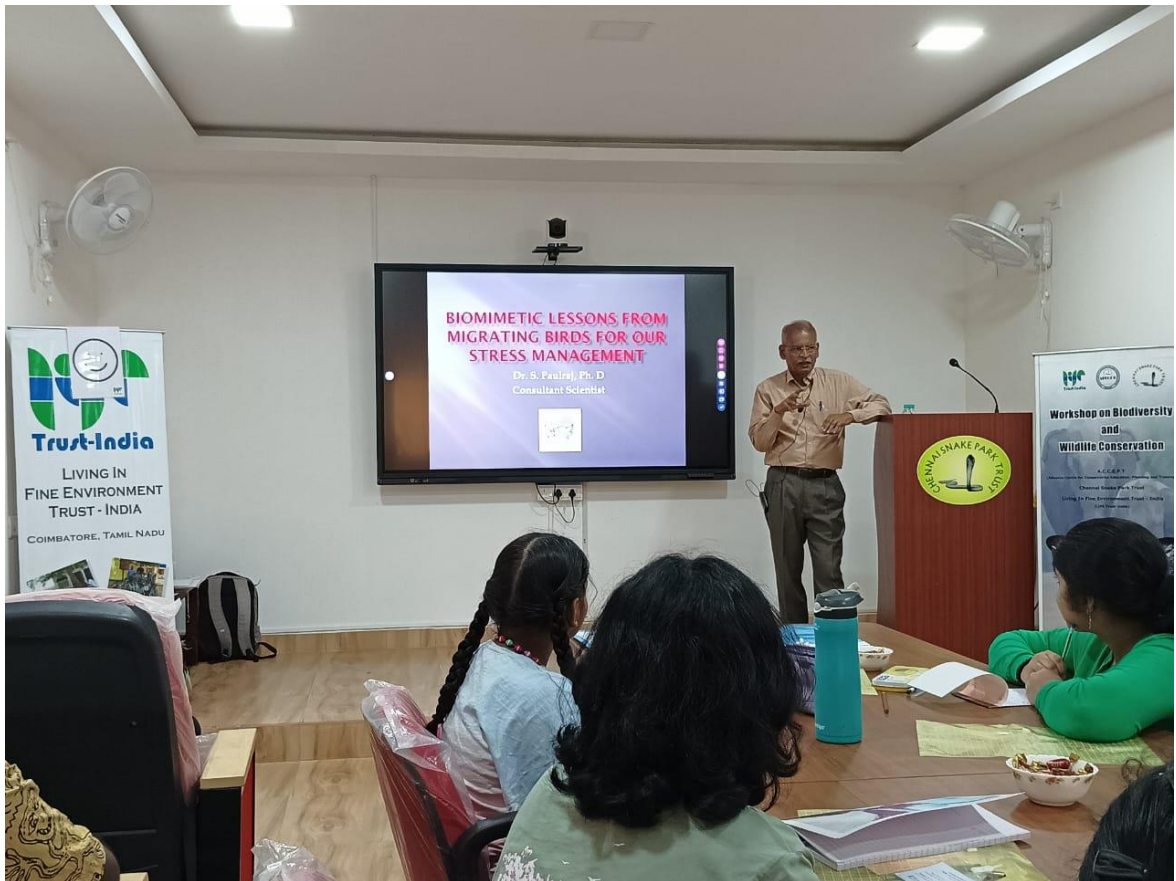
THE CHENNAI SNAKE PARK TRUST'S NEWSLETTER

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EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN'S NOTE :

An interactive workshop on wildlife Conservation in collaboration with LIFE Trust-India was organized on 17th and 18th May. Dr.S.Paulraj, Executive Chairman of Chennai Snake park gave a presentation on 17th May on Team Management and Bio mimetic lessons from migrating birds for our stress management. In which he explained about the importance of nature in every aspect and also made a thoughtful session on managing stress through an inspiring presentation on "stress management in Migrating birds".

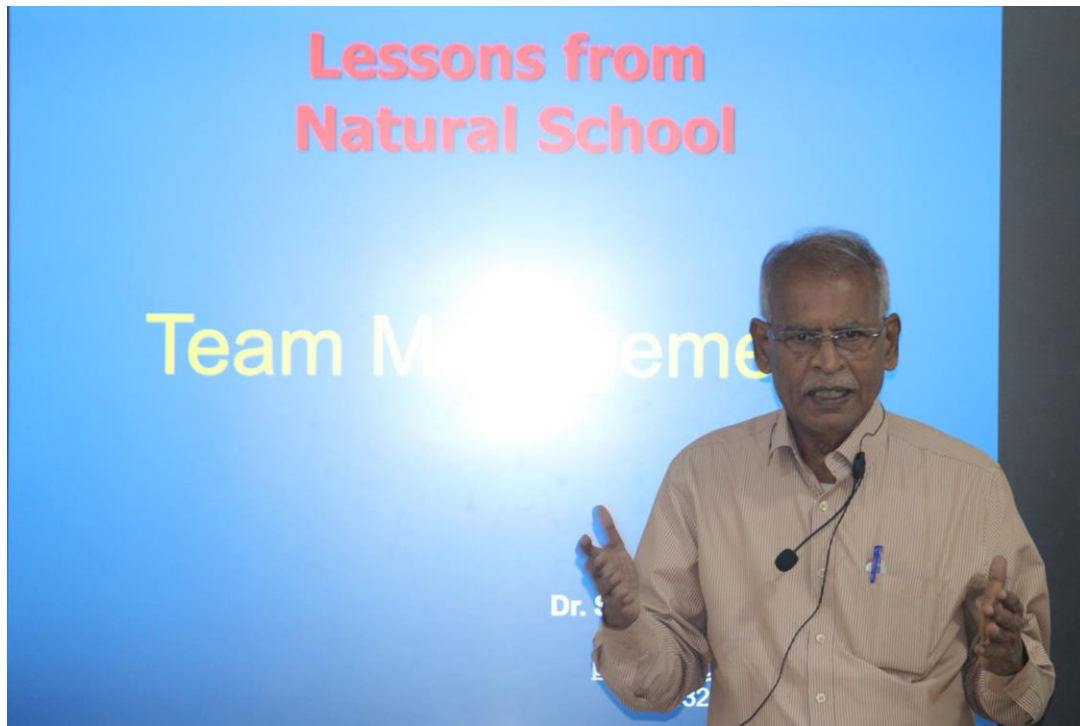


(Dr.S.Paulraj Executive Chairman CSPT, Retd. IFS interacting with the participants of Wildlife Conservation Workshop on 17th May at CSPT)

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(Executive Chairman gathering the participants with a presentation on 17th May 2025.)

On May 31st & 1st June, LIFE Trust-India organized the next Conservation Workshop in CSPT, in which Dr. S. Paulraj interacted with the participants with an important presentation titled as “Value of Biodiversity Conservation” on 31st May. He also gave many real life examples glorifying the beauty of nature and its process. After the talk participants were able to connect and think better about the nature.

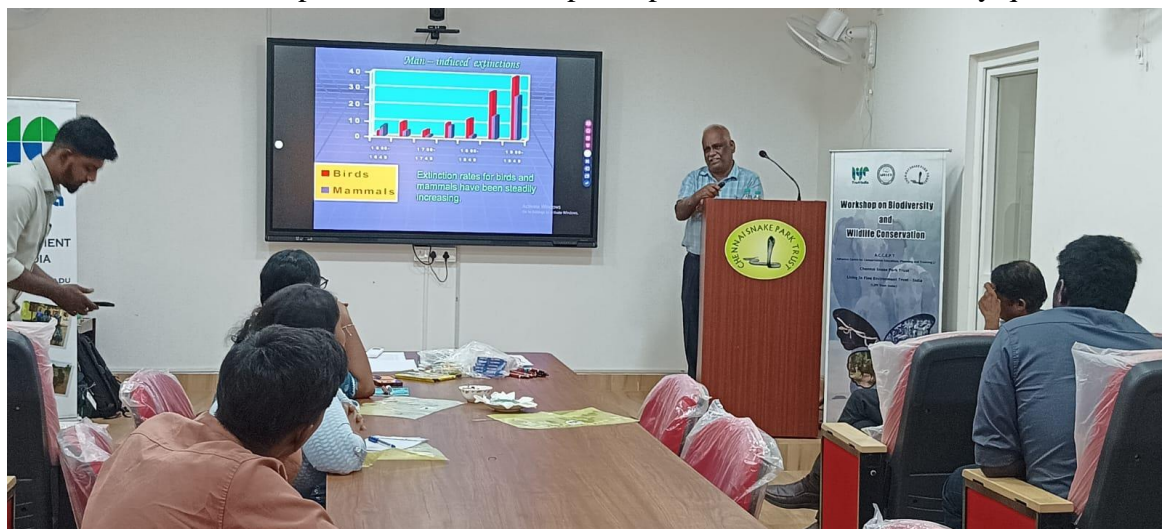


(Wildlife Conservation Workshop on 31st May at CSPT)

RESEARCH DIRECTOR'S NOTE:

Dr.V.Kalaiarasan gave an informative presentation on Introduction to Herpetofauna on 17th May for the participants of Wildlife Conservation workshop jointly organized in collaboration with LIFE Trust-India. He also highlighted the importance of frog species and briefed up about the various species of Frogs and Toads. He also added some of the current status of snake species and frog species of India.

And another presentation on Urban Biodiversity and Conservation was delivered by Dr.V.Kalaiarasan on 31st May jointly organized with LIFE Trust-India, the next Conservation Workshop held at CSPT. The participants interacted with many questions.



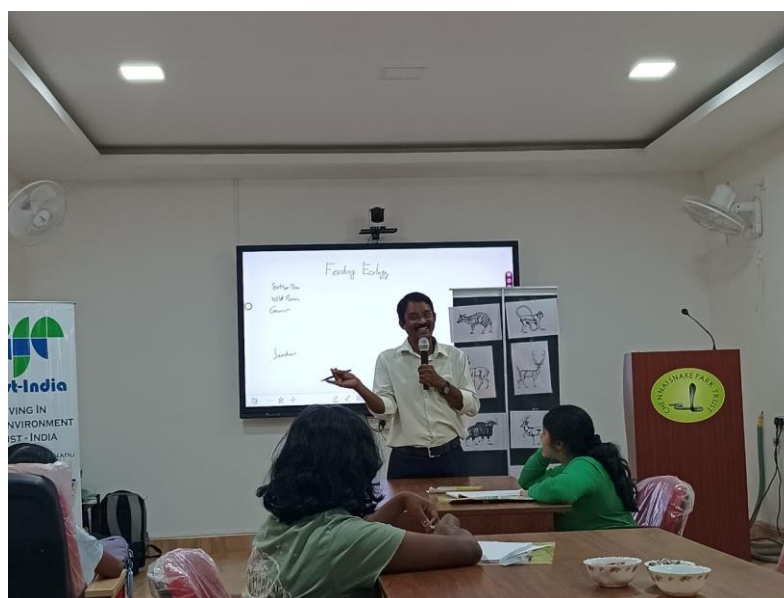
(Dr.V.Kalaiarasan Research Director interacting with the participants of the workshop.)

Research Director- Dr.V.Kalaiarasan and Dr.K.Ramalingam – Senior Project Scientist from the Chennai Snake Park Trust in collaboration with the Department of Zoology, Kongunadu arts and Science College on May 2nd investigated the regional level (geographical) variation in the composition of the Cobra snake venom particularly the proteins, lipids and carbohydrate values since the venom ingredients include all these three Principal metabolites which are then changed to innumerable functional proteins, enzymes and haemagglutinins like Lectins , endowed with the toxicity in envenomation.

Discussions in that aspect revealed regional difference between two different niches of the reptile. The above difference in toxin or snake venom could reveal the propensity of the elapid snake viz., Naja species and its venom in terms of the range of toxicity and could explain their adaptations in the field ranges a great deal and also about their intra-specific variations in its agonistic behavioural adaptations. The above findings will go a long way in the preparation of indigenous antivenins and their implications to human health and conservation of species.

A.C.C.E.P.T ACTIVITIES :

A.C.C.E.P.T in collaboration with LIFE Trust-India Founder Dr. B.A.Daniel jointly organized Biodiversity and Conservation Workshop on 17th and 18th May 2025 with around 23 enthusiastic participants. Many fun filled tasks and Activities took place and the participants enjoyed the workshop on the whole.



(LIFE Trust-India Dr. B.A.Daniel sir interacting about the feeding Biology with the workshop participants)

WORKSHOP ACTIVITY :THE CLASSIFICATION



(LIFE Trust India –Dr. B.A.Daniel and Mr. Ashiq handling the workshop sessions for the participants)



The program was finally felicitated by the distinguished Tamil Nadu Forest Department Wildlife Warden Chennai, Shri. Manish Meena I.F.S. Participants received their certificates from Shri. Manish Meena, I.F.S.



(Wildlife Warden Chennai Shri. Manish Meena I.F.S gave his presence and encouraged the participants.)

CERTIFICATE DISTRIBUTION - Biodiversity and Conservation Workshop (17th & 18th May)



(Participant receiving the certificate from the Executive Chairman Dr. S.Paulraj Retd. IFS, Wildlife Warden Shri. Manish Meena IFS, and accompanied by Dr. B.A.Daniel-Founder LIFE Trust India and Ms. Mirdhula Kamaraj-Biologist of CSPT.)



(Participants receiving the 2 days Workshop certificates held on 17th and 18th May at CSPT.)



(GROUP PHOTO :2 days Biodiversity and Conservation Workshop -17th and 18th May at CSPT)

On May 31st and June 1st the next batch of Biodiversity and Conservation Workshop was held at CSPT jointly organized with LIFE Trust-India. 1st Day of workshop-31st May:



2nd Day of Workshop –June 1



(Dr.B.A.Daniel- LIFE Trust India – During the session with the Workshop Participants)



(Mr. Ashiq from the LIFE Trust India taking a session about Tarantula Spider)

CERTIFICATE DISTRIBUTION -Biodiversity and Conservation Workshop (31st May & 1st June)



(Participant receiving the Certificates from the Director of CSPT Shri. R.Rajarathinam.)



Group Photo:2 days Biodiversity and Conservation Workshop -31st May & 1st June at CSPT



[Group photo of participants with Dr. C.Arivazhagan, Dy. Director of CSPT, Dr.B.A.Daniel-Founder LIFE Trust India, Shri.R.Rajarithnam, Director of CSPT and Ms. Mirdhula Kamaraj, Biologist of CSPT (L-R)]



DIRECTOR'S NOTE :

During the May.2025, the Park had 53,199 Visitors (38,414 Adult and 14,785 Children), as against 65,613 visitors (47,351 Adult and 18,262 children), for the corresponding month of last year i.e. decrease of 18.92 %.

FEEDBACK FROM VISITORS:

The visitors of the Chennai Snake Park who visited during May 2025 have given feedback on Google Business. Total 128 visitors reviewed and given comments. Out of 128 visitors, 82 visitors given 5star (64.06%),24 visitors given 4star (18.75%), 16 visitors given 3star (12.5%), 6 visitors given 2 star (4.68%) and 2 visitors given 1star (1.56% without any comments. Few feedbacks are pertaining to adjacent Children's Nature Park.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR'S NOTE :

Dr. C.Arivazhagan, Deputy Director of Chennai Snake Park delivered a presentation emphasizing on Elephants on 18th May and 1st June for the participants of Biodiversity and Wildlife Conservation workshop held at Chennai Snake Park.

He gave important insight and talked about the behaviours of Elephants from younger stage to the adult stage. Students were more curious to know about Elephants.



(A session about Elephants delivered by Dr. C. Arivazhagan, Dy. Director-CSPT for the workshop participants on 18th May.)



(Dr. C. Arivazhagan, Dy. Director-CSPT interacting with the participants of Biodiversity Workshop on 1st June at CSPT.)

BIOLOGIST'S NOTE:

Ms. Mirdhula Kamaraj, Biologist of Chennai Snake Park held a session with the participants for the Park visit and gave a detailed view on the reptiles of CSPT for both the batches of Biodiversity and Conservation Workshop held on various dates – May 17th & 18th and 31st May & 1st June. Participants get to know more insights and interesting points through the session held by Ms. Mirdhula Kamaraj.



(During the Walkthrough Session inside the park led by Biologist Ms. Mirdhula Kamaraj for the Workshop Participants.)

GENERAL

INTERNSHIP: This time, CSPT has witnessed many college students who actively enrolled for Internship on various topics pertaining to the reptiles of Chennai Snake Park. Around 30 students from various colleges like Guru Nanak college-Chennai, Dr. Ambedkar Govt. Arts College-Chennai, KREA University-Andhra Pradesh, Jamal College- Trichy and Nehru Memorial College-Trichy, have enrolled for Internship for the month of May.



(Interns of CSPT while recording their observation at their respective reptile enclosure.)

FEEDBACK FROM VISITORS:



[Anu John](#)

Local Guide • 80 reviews • 509 photos

***** 5 days ago **New**

Very nice park ..u can take kids. U should experience th3 VR for 100 rs.. worth it. [View full review](#)



[Kalam Azad](#)

Local Guide • 57 reviews • 221 photos

***** 6 days ago **New**

It was Sunday while I was there. It's just besides Chennai Children's Park. You'll see different species of snakes, tortoise, crocodiles etc. You may acquire knowledge about those species from there.



[muradhali noorudeen](#)

Local Guide • 169 reviews • 4 photos

*****7 days ago **New**

Gain knowledge about a variety of snake species. There are still a few areas that need improvement.



[Srivathsan Srinivasan](#)

Local Guide • 51 reviews • 28 photos

***** 1 week ago **New**

Clean environment and one can get a chance to see different types of snakes.



[Durga Devi](#)

8 reviews • 1 photo

***** 2 weeks ago **New**

Such a nice park to spend time and enjoy snakes



[mk kayal](#)

3 reviews • 0 photos

***** 2 weeks ago **New**

I went weekend days the crowd is rushing to see the snakes in the park . It was very interesting a lot of snake is there. We went as a family the kids are really enjoyed.



[Jeevahan Palanivel](#)

Local Guide • 16 reviews • 0 photos

***** 3 weeks ago **New**

It is a good place to visit.Though the snakes are less in comparison to my previous visit,it is still good.



[Komala Komala](#)

Local Guide • 224 reviews • 323 photos

***** 3 weeks ago **New**

Nice park and enjoyable place for children.....

We can acquire more knowledge about snakes and other reptiles....

You can also go and enjoy.....



[SINDUPATH S](#)

Local Guide • 114 reviews • 34 photos

***** 3 weeks ago **New**

We can mostly see a normal species , I am from village so so I am not excited,some new species only I see in here it's good for children's and city people's if any one want to see or enjoy day please prepare for it (don't mind my english)



[Manu Yadav](#)

Local Guide • 261 reviews • 188 photos

***** 4 weeks ago **New**

Nice place to visit, although I would recommend visiting during cooler climate, and during early hours, otherwise most snakes would be dug up in their pits. They also have wide variety of tortoise and crocodiles and iguanas. There is also a nature walk where you can walk amongst the turtles and iguanas for just 10 additional rupees



[Isai R](#)

Local Guide • 85 reviews • 188 photos

***** 4 weeks ago **New**

Just to explore venomous and non-venomous snakes... More kids are coming so has to open aavin canteen and some snacks with low cost ... Govt. Should consider



[Eniyan Arvindh](#)

4 reviews • 10 photos

*****4 weeks ago **New**

Neatly maintained and new learning related to reptiles.