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THE CHENNAI SNAKE PARK TRUST'S NEWSLETTER
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EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN's NOTE :

Dr. S.Paulraj, IFS (Retd.) gave a special address for the students on 3rd Oct for the Wildlife week- Drawing competition and on 8th Oct, as a Quiz master he judged the Inter college Wildlife Quiz programme at CSPT and presented the certificates and prizes for the winners. And also delivered a lecture for the Fire and Rescue service trainees. (Detailed report is given in the Wildlife week section and Fire and Rescue service Training programme section.)



(Dr. S. Paulraj, IFS (Retd.), Executive Chairman, delivering lecture on Snake Conservation and their importance in Ecosystem to the Fire and Rescue service Trainees.)

SNAKE VENOM RESEARCH IN CSPT- PUBLICATION:

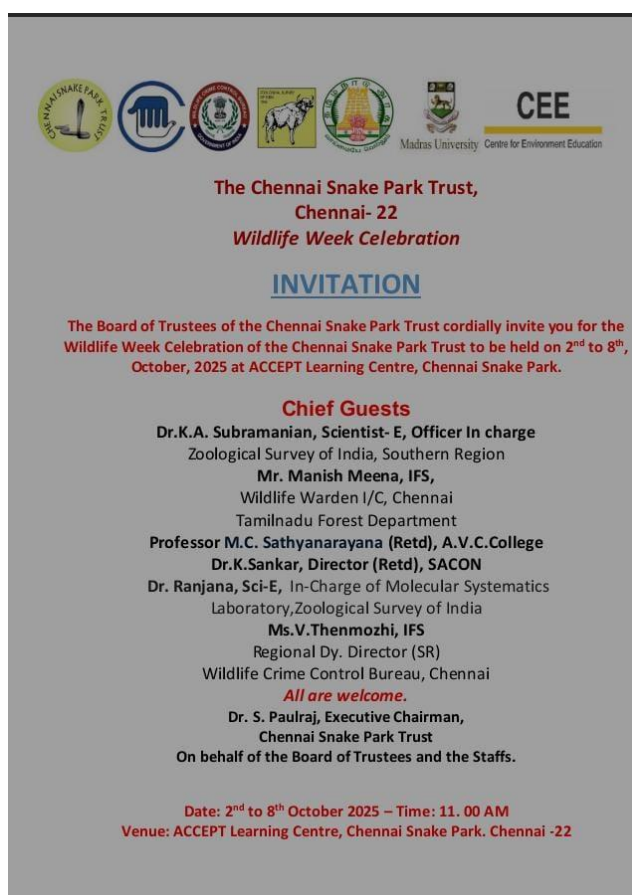
A Scientific paper titled “**Reasoning of Snake Venom Components as Anticancer Agents**” authored by Ramalingam K¹, Paulraj S², Babu K³, Arul vasu C⁴ and Kalaiarasan V^{5*} was published on August 21, 2024, at Cancer Therapy & Oncology International Journal-Juniper Publishers.

Abstract:

Though snake venom in anticancer therapy is a conjecture without strong clinical evidence, studies on the various components of snake venom and their properties and/or functions reveal the fact that they can be employed against an incipient or growing or against a fully grown tumour exhibiting metastatic properties. Few preliminary investigations carried out in the line also proves the above contention as tenable.

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WILDLIFE WEEK CELEBRATION – 2025



Wildlife week was celebrated from 2nd October to 8th October, first day of inauguration Poster presentation was inaugurated by Dr. K. A. Subramanian, Scientist E and officer in charge of Zoological Survey of India, Southern Region along with other senior scientist of ZSI in the presence of Dr. V. Kalaivasan. Trustee, Mr. R. Rajarathinam, Director Dr. C. Arivazhagan, Dy. Director and Ms. K. Mirdhula, Biologist of Chennai Snake Park on 2nd October 2025.



(Photo: Wildlife Week Inaugural function at Chennai Snake Park in collaboration with ZSI southern Region.)

Second day (3.10.2025) Painting competition was conducted for the School Children, in total 35 children Participated. And Cash Prizes, Certificates and other prizes were distributed for the winners by the Executive Chairman Dr. S.Paulraj IFS (Retd.) and Trustee Dr.V.Kalaiarasan with the Chief guest.



(Wildlife week 2025: Drawing competition for the School students)

PRIZE WINNERS OF DRAWING COMPETITION

1ST PRIZE: R.THARANESSHWAR-VI Std- Guardian International School



2nd PRIZE: S.NATCHATHIRA -IV Std- Guardian International School



3rd PRIZE: A.ELAKIYA-VII Std- Guardian International School



For the third and fourth-day (4-10-25 & 5-10-25) On Spot quiz programme was conducted for the general public about reptiles on regard of the Wildlife week celebration 2025. And the public participated enthusiastically in the event and the prizes were distributed for the winners.



(Photo: Wildlife week 2025-On Spot Quiz Programme for general public.)

Final day (8.10.25) of wildlife week celebration, morning Wildlife talk was given by Professor M.C. Sathyanarayana (Retd), A.V.C. College. delivered lecture on House sparrow conservation in and around Chennai and the need to identify the issues.



(Photo: Professor M.C. Sathyanarayana (Retd), A.V.C. College. delivering lecture on House sparrow conservation in and around Chennai)

Followed lecture by Dr. K. Sankar, Director (Retd), SACON delivered a lecture on “Capture and translocation of Tiger and Gaur in India”. He explained what could be the reason for extension of tiger and Gaur in detail, and how the population of tiger and Gaur population has increased over the period in the landscape.



(Photo: Dr. K. Sankar delivering lecture on capture and translocation of Tiger and Gaur in India.)

Third lecture was delivered by Dr. Ranjana, Sci-E, In-Charge of Molecular Systematics laboratory, Zoological Survey of India on the molecular Genetics studies.



(Photo: Dr. Ranjana, Zoological survey of India delivering lecture on molecular genetics.)

By afternoon inter college Quiz competition were conducted, in total 5 colleges from Chennai participated in the event and the winners were awarded with certificate and cash prize, the Chief Guest Ms. V. Thenmozhi, IFS, Regional Dy. Director (SR), Wildlife Crime Control Bureau, Chennai, distributed the prizes to winners.

1st PRIZE: J.B.A.S. COLLEGE FOR WOMEN-J.PAVITHRA & A.BHAARATHI- CASH PRIZE Rs. 3000/-.



(Photo: Wildlife Week celebration- Quiz programme winners receiving the certificate and cash prize from Chief Guest and Executive Chairman of Chennai Snake Park.)

2nd PRIZE : UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS- K.VINOTHINI & G.SANDHIYA-
CASH PRIZE Rs. 2000/-



3rd PRIZE : MADRAS VETERINARY COLLEGE-M. MITHRA & V. KIRUTHIKA
CASH PRIZE Rs. 1000/-



(Photo: Wildlife Week celebration- Quiz programme winners receiving the certificate and cash prize from Chief Guest and Executive Chairman of Chennai Snake Park.)

FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE TRAINING PROGRAMME:

Fire and Rescue service trainees participated in the training which was conducted on 6th, 9th, 13th, 16th, 23rd, 27th and 30th of October. In total 203 fire service personnel participated. Dr. C. Arivazhagan gave an introductory talk about snake park and role in reptile conservation in Tamil Nadu followed by Dr. V. Kalaiarasan, Trustee delivered a lecture on Identification of venomous, non-venomous snake and snake bite treatment. Dr. S. Paulraj, Executive Chairman gave a talk on snake conservation and importance of Snakes in the Ecosystem. Finally a cartoon Movie was screened for the trainees.



(Dr. C. Arivazhagan, Dy. Director, Delivering lecture about snake park and role in conservation of reptiles in Tamil Nadu to the Trainees.)



(Dr. V. Kalaiarasan, Trustee, delivering lecture on identification of venomous and Non-venomous snakes to the Trainees.)

Training and Handling session :

During the afternoon session Mr. S.Ravi and Mr. V.Selvam - Animal keepers along with other co-workers demonstrated the various snake handling techniques for the Trainees.



(Snake Handling- session demonstrated by animal keepers at CSPT for the trainees.)



(Feedback session given by one of the Fire and Rescue Service Trainee.)

DR. V. KALAIARASAN, TRUSTEE NOTE:

Dr. V. Kalaiarasan, Trustee, delivered a lecture on an awareness program on snakes and snake conservation at MCC on 17th October. On 22nd October he had an interview with SUN TV -Vanakkam Thamizha about snakes in connection with Monsoon.

The poster is for an awareness program on snakes. It features the Madras Christian College logo and name at the top, followed by the Scrub Society logo. The main title 'AWARENESS PROGRAM ON SNAKES' is in large, bold letters, with 'PROGRAM' highlighted in yellow. Below this, the chief guest is listed as Dr. V. Kalaiarasan, with his name also highlighted in yellow. His title is 'Trustee and Honorary Director (Research) at The Chennai Snake Park Trust'. A quote from him is included: 'AWARENESS ABOUT SNAKES IS NOT ABOUT FEAR, BUT ABOUT UNDERSTANDING THEIR VITAL ROLE IN MAINTAINING NATURE'S BALANCE.' The date and time are given as 17th October 2025 at 11:00 AM, and the venue is the Chemistry Seminar Hall. The poster has a green and yellow color scheme with a snake illustration on the right and star icons.

MADRAS CHRISTIAN COLLEGE
(AUTONOMOUS)
TAMBARAM, CHENNAI - 600059

SCRUB SOCIETY

AWARENESS

PROGRAM

ON SNAKES

CHIEF GUEST

DR. V. KALAIARASAN

TRUSTEE AND HONORARY DIRECTOR (RESEARCH) AT
THE CHENNAI SNAKE PARK TRUST

"AWARENESS ABOUT SNAKES IS NOT ABOUT FEAR, BUT
ABOUT UNDERSTANDING THEIR VITAL ROLE IN
MAINTAINING NATURE'S BALANCE."

**17TH OCTOBER
2025**

TIME: 11.00 AM
VENUE: CHEMISTRY SEMINAR HALL



For watching the full interview, kindly use the Youtube link given below (Channel-Sun TV) :

<https://youtu.be/LJpTDFoimsA?si=U3ERzox2pdkCxIJ2>

DIRECTOR's NOTE:

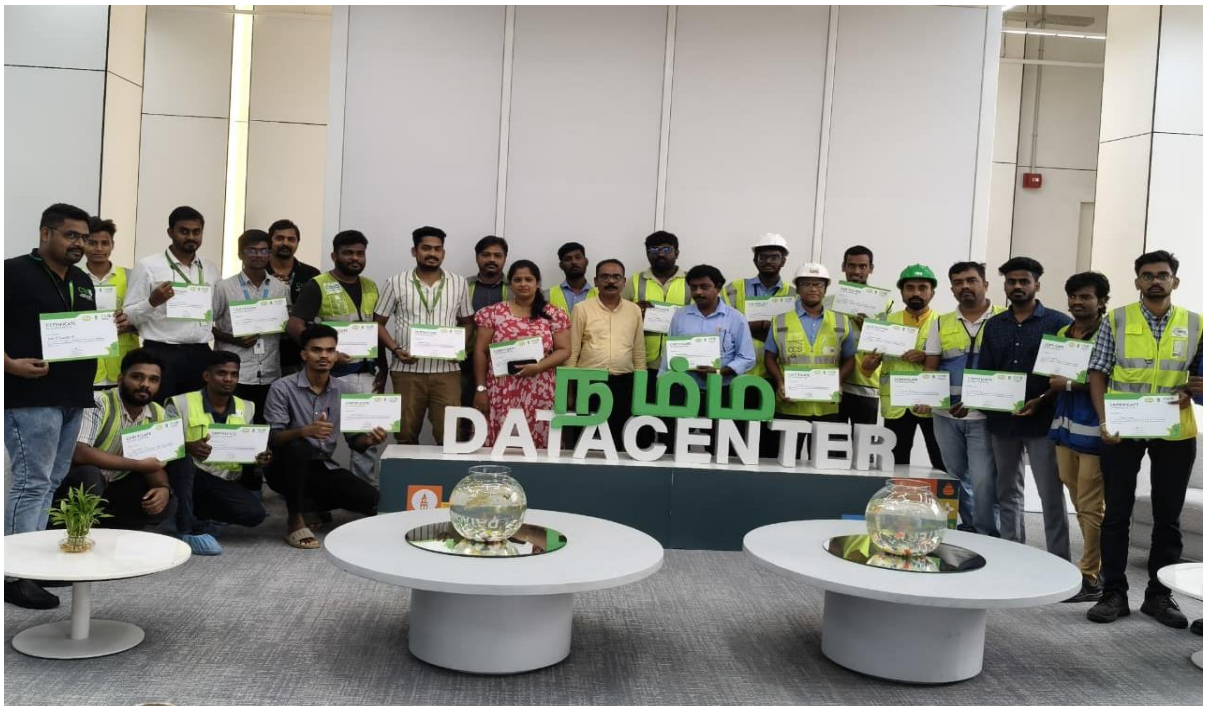
During the October.2025, the Park had 25,808 Visitors (19,340 Adult and 6,468 Children).

Feedbacks from Visitors

The visitors of the Chennai Snake Park who visited during October 2025 has given feedback in Google Business. Total 77 visitors reviewed and gave comments. Out of 77 visitors, 40 visitors have given 5star (57.14%), 26 visitors have given 4star (33.76%), 8 visitors have given 3star (10.39%), and 3visitor have given 1star (3.89%). Few feedbacks are pertaining to adjacent Children's Nature Park.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR 's NOTE:

The Snake Awareness program for CtrlS data centre staff was conducted by Dr. C. Arivazhagan, Deputy Director of CSPT, for IT professionals at Ambattur Estate on 15th October 2025, delivered lecture about the snakes and its importance role in ecosystem, and a large number of individuals participated. The program was witnessed by forty persons and was well appreciated. At the end of lecture certificates were distributed to all the participants.



(Photo: Dr. C. Arivazhagan delivering lecture on importance of Snakes in the ecosystem at Data Centre in Ambattur Estate)

BIOLOGIST's NOTE:

On 13th October, 50 students from Montessori School, Mahalingapuram, Chennai visited Chennai Snake Park. Ms. Mirdhula Kamaraj, Biologist delivered a special interactive session for the students about the reptiles of Chennai Snake Park. The session was active by participation of students in answering the questions asked to them.



(A session conducted by Mirdhula Kamaraj for the Students of Montessori School, Mahalingapuram)



On Oct 9, The School students of Christopher's Academy, Vepery visited Chennai Snake Park. (150+ students visited)



On 3rd October, 35 School students from Guardian International School, Chennai visited Chennai Snake Park on account of Wildlife week celebration. Ms. Mirdhula Kamaraj, Biologist led the school students and gave a brief explanatory walk inside the park.



(Ms. Mirdhula Kamaraj, Biologist interacting with the students of Guardian International school.)



(Students of Guardian International school visiting the Snake and Crocodile enclosures.)



(Group photo: Ms. Mirdhula Kamaraj, Biologist with the students of Guardian International school.)

Recent Public Review about Chennai Snake Park appeared in the Google Business Profile:



[Alok Jaiswal](#)

Local Guide • 128 reviews • 90 photos

***** 4 days ago **New**

Best place for animal lover



[Deepu Kumar](#)

Local Guide • 19 reviews • 7 photos

***** 4 days ago **New**

Chennai Snake Park is a fascinating spot tucked inside the Guindy National Park area. It's well-maintained, and the... [View full review](#)



[Saran](#)

2 reviews • 5 photos

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

It's a very nice place 😊



[Pawan Bindal](#)

Local Guide • 26 reviews • 0 photos

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

Small compact park with variety of snakes. However the highlight is the crocodile, and recently added section of iguana where you can get close to them



[Kalai G](#)

Local Guide • 124 reviews • 17 photos

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

Fantastic maintenance. State government, espl Stalins government is doing a lots to improve the amenities of both snake... [View full review](#)



[Paul Sagar](#)

Local Guide • 260 reviews • 248 photos

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

It's well managed. [View full review](#)



[James Mock](#)

Local Guide • 30 reviews • 71 photos

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

Spent a great morning seeing up close the different snakes of India with detailed descriptions of which were venomous... [View full review](#)



[mc.mohan raj](#)

9 reviews • 2 photos

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

Super



[Samir Dhakal](#)

9 reviews • 0 photos

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

Good for children [View full review](#)



[deepiti siran](#)

Local Guide • 135 reviews • 234 photos

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

My nieces really liked the place. They enjoyed watching different varieties of snakes. There were lots of crocodiles also. Good place for kids. [View full review](#)



[K Tajuddin](#)

Local Guide • 112 reviews • 4 photos

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

Nice place for children's. Lots of animals and snake .such a very big area.need more time to visit.well maintained. Tickets are fare price [View full review](#)



[Ajay Thambi](#)

Local Guide • 30 reviews • 34 photos

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

[View full review](#)



[Sivakumar Ma](#)

5 reviews • 0 photos

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

The Chennai snake park is at Adyar. Entry fee-Children Rs.10/- Adults-Rs.30, mobile, Camara entry fee-Rs.20/- parking , canteen available. Very enjoyable for children and adults also. Well maintained as natural woods. [View full review](#)



[1025 Chandraprakash Malyala - PT](#)

Local Guide • 11 reviews • 7 photos

***** 4 weeks ago

Nice place to visit along with family and children. Variety of snakes available and children loves it [View full review](#)