

Ethnobotany Workshop

ILLL & Hansraj College, University of Delhi

16 and 17 September, 2016

The Ethnobotany Workshop was held on 16th and 17th September 2016 in Hansraj College and it was co-organized by ILLL, University of Delhi and Department of Botany, Hansraj College. The workshop was aimed to appraise the DU teachers about recent developments in the field of Ethnobotany that is offered as a Skill Enhancement Course (SEC) under the CBCS scheme offered by the University of Delhi for the first time.

Prof. M.K.Pandit, Head Dept. of Environmental Sciences and Dean Sciences, gave the inaugural lecture. He spoke on how Ethnobotany as a paper is going to help in capacity building and training students in the field. Prof. Shormishtha Panja Director, ILLL addressed the workshop delegates on the need for interdisciplinary knowledge in modern pedagogy. Dr Amrit Kaur Basra, Academic Secretary, ILLL, talked about e-Learning at ILLL.

Dr Rama, Principal Hansraj College, welcomed the guests and stressed the need to have more such workshops.

Prof. A.K. Pandey, Department of Botany, gave an illustrated talk on Ethnobotany: Past, Present and Future. Prof. Ashok Jain, Director, Institute of Ethnobotany, Gwalior, talked about the tribals and their knowledge of ethnobotanical medicines. Dr Anil Kumar Goel took two hand-on session and trained teachers on various aspects of collection and preservation. Dr B.S.Subarmanium, NISCAIR, CSIR, talked about Ethnobotany and Intellectual Property Rights. He also took a lab session on misappropriation of traditional knowledge.

Around 30 teachers and 60 students attended the workshop. Certificates were given to the delegates by Prof. K.S. Rao, Department of Botany, University of Delhi.

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