



**DCT's
Dhempe College of Arts and Science Miramar Goa
Department of Botany**

- 1. Title:** Workshop cum hands-on training on 'Basic skills in kitchen gardening and Oyster mushroom cultivation'
- 2. Date:** 16th October 2023
- 3. Name of the College:** DCT's Dhempe College of Arts and Science, Miramar, Panaji Goa
- 4. Department:** Botany
- 5. Head Department of Botany:** Mrs. Manjiri Barve
- 6. Resource persons:** 1. Mr. Amey Nayak, Field Assistant and
2. Mr. Nikhil Majik, Assistant Agriculture Officer
- 7. Workshop cum hands-on training Coordinator:** Dr. Shilpa Bhonsle
- 8. Number of participants:** 66 Students + 8 teachers + 3 non-teaching staff = 77

A Workshop cum hands-on training on 'Basic skills in kitchen gardening and Oyster mushroom cultivation' was organised by DCT's Dhempe College of Arts and Science, Department of Botany in association with Directorate of Agriculture - Government of Goa under the aegis of DBT Star College Scheme on 16th October 2023, 12.00 noon onwards in the Swami Vivekananda Hall of the College.



Brochure for the Workshop cum hands-on training

Dignitaries present on the dais for the workshop cum hands-on training were Principal Prof. Vrinda Borker, Vice Principal Dr. Swati Pawar, Resource persons- Mr. Amey Nayak, Field Assistant and Mr. Nikhil Majik, Assistant Agriculture Officer, Directorate of Agriculture, Government of Goa; and Mrs. Manjiri Barve Head Department of Botany. Principal Prof. Vrinda Borker welcomed the gathering and emphasised the significance of kitchen gardening and mushroom cultivation and later Dr. Pratibha Prabhugaonkar welcomed the resource persons with potted plants.



Welcoming Resource persons with potted plant

Mr. Amey Nayak, Field Assistant, Directorate of Agriculture - Government of Goa was the Resource Person for the first session on the topic ‘Skills in Kitchen Garden’. Mr. Amey Nayak explained the different categories of kitchen garden we can design in the available space. He gave emphasis on different techniques used in kitchen gardening. Mr. Amey, demonstrated the preparation of seedling tray and hand on training was given to the participants of the same.



Mr. Amey Nayak, Field Assistant



Mr. Nikhil Majik, Assistant Agriculture Officer

Mr. Nikhil Majik, Assistant Agriculture Officer; Directorate of Agriculture - Government of Goa was the resource person for the second session on the topic ‘Oyster

Mushroom Cultivation'. Mr. Nikhil, explained the technique of cultivation of Oyster Mushroom with the help of the presentation. Later demonstration and hands-on training was given to the participants by which participants could cultivate *Oyster* Mushroom.



Glimpses of the Workshop cum hands-on training

The workshop cum hands on training was conducted in an interactive mode. The participants were also provided with seeds which they could purchase from the resource persons. The Directorate of Agriculture - Government of Goa provided a set of kitchen garden tools and seeds to the Department of Botany, by using these the department can design a kitchen garden in the College campus.

The workshop cum hands-on training was part of a series of initiatives taken by the Department of Botany to enhance the interest and employability of students. The event was

convened by Mrs. Manjiri Barve, Head Department of Botany and coordinated by Assistant Professor Dr. Shilpa Bhonsle. Total 77 students were benefited from the same.

**Dr. Shilpa Bhonsle
Coordinator**

**Mrs. Manjiri Barve
Head Department of Botany**