

**Report on the Conduct of Memorial Lecture Program organized on the
Observance of Birth Anniversary of Shri. Birbal Sahni on 14.11.2024 at
Dr. AKSC&P, Puducherry**

Puducherry Council for Science and Technology organised a Memorial Lecture programme on the 133rd Birth Anniversary of Shri. Birbal Sahni. At the beginning, Students and Staffs of PCS&T garlanded and paid floral tribute to the statue of Shri. Birbal Sahni laid at the Dr. Abdul Kalam Science Centre and Planetarium, Puducherry. And followed by memorial lecture programme was organized wherein, Dr. T. Janaki, Assistant Professor, Department of Botany, Kanchi Mamunivar Govt. Institute of Post Graduate Studies & Research, Puducherry delivered lecture on the topic **“A greatest journey of Birbal Sahni on Paleobotanical Research”** at the Auditorium of Dr. AKSC&P on 14.11.2024.

The Resource person narrated about the Birbal Sahni contributions to Palaeobotany. Sahni took a deep interest in the study of plants from his early childhood. He researched on the anatomy and morphology of the palaeozoic ferns and India's Gondwana formation's fossil plants. Birbal Sahni is acknowledged for his significant contribution to Palaeobotany all over the world. Sahni started the Institute of Palaeobotany at Lucknow, which was later on renamed as the Birbal Sahni Institute of Palaeobotany (BSIP) to acknowledge his efforts in the field Palaeobotany. This was the first Palaeobotany institute in India.

Totally 96 students from Aditya Vidyashram School, Poraiyur, Puducherry were participated and benefitted by the programme. The program ends at 11.30 P.M. Overall it was a good program in the context of arranging lecture and support taken care by the staff of Dr. AKSC&P.

Photos of the Programme


