

ZSI Summary for the month of June 2024

1. Celebration of 109th foundation day of ZSI and inaugurated Animal Taxonomy Summit 2024 on 30th June 2024, Sri Bhupender Yadav, Hon'ble Minister of MoEF&CC, New Delhi was the Chief Guest of the function; Ms. Namita Prasad, Joint Secretary, MoEF & CC, New Delhi chaired valedictory session of ATS 2024 on 3rd July, 2024.
2. ZSI organised tree plantation drive under '*Ek Per Maa Ke Naam*' launched by the Hon'ble Prime Minister on 30th June 2024.
3. ZSI Scientists attended a meeting held under the chairpersonship of Ms. Nameeta Prasad, Joint Secretary, MoEF&CC on 30.05.2024 to discuss the Red Listing of species and their monitoring.
4. Celebrated International Yoga Day on 21st June 2024 at ZSI, HQ and RCs.
5. Celebrated Paryavaran Divas and World Environment Day 2024 and distributed plant saplings to the officers and staff members at ZSI, HQ and RCs.
6. ZSI organized Quarterly Hindi meeting, and Rajbhasha Workshop on 26th June, 2024 at RCs.
7. Mission Life and *Swachhta Hi Seva* Special Campaigns 3.0 were conducted to generate awareness among people in HQ and RCs.
8. EIACP Centre on Biodiversity (Fauna), ZSI organized a National Webinar on 'Soil Invertebrates and Restoration Ecology' on 3rd June, 2024.
9. ZSI organised one-day seminar organized, the program entitled "*Sunderban Mangrove conservation, land Restoration, Desertification and Drought Resilience*".
10. ZSI generated 34 DNA barcodes of reptiles, mammals and fishes, and submitted to NCBI.
11. ZSI conducted 5 long term surveys in Andaman and Nicobar Islands and Telangana, and 21 days' local surveys in Great Nicobar Islands, Maharastra, Karnataka and West Bengal during the month.
12. ZSI described 2 species of bugs and new to Science; published 3 books and 11 research papers in reputed high impact journals.
13. ZSI identified and registered 7580 examples of 614 species of various animal taxa.
14. ZSI received 18,560 visitors, of which the MARC, Digha centre received 15,706 tourists including children & school students for during the month