

# A Report of “National Endangered Species Day”

Every year on the third Friday in May, National Endangered Species Day is observed, and this year it was observed on May 20<sup>th</sup>. On this occasion a lecture on “Endangered Plants in Eastern ghats” was delivered by Dr. P. Anjaneyulu Field assistant from FRCCE, Visakhapatnam under Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav, during an online programme arranged by IFB, Hyderabad. Dr Paradesi Anjaneyulu MSc, PhD has done his Doctor of Philosophy with specialization in Plant Taxonomy at Sri Krishnadevaraya University, Anantapuramu, Andhra Pradesh. As a researcher, he explored most part of Eastern Ghats, collected and preserved more than 5000 specimens belonging to 2500+ species.

Out of that collected species he filtered some endangered species for this National Endangered Species Day. As a part of his presentation, he explained about red data book, IUCN red list and about the threat of extinction of 40,000 species. He highlighted 10 plants which are nearer for extinction and explained about them in detail along with their uses. He also mentioned about global warming, disease, pollution and limited distribution as more factors that threatens various plant and animal species.



