

**Report of a Trekking programme conducted for the students of  
Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Dehradun to nearby forest area  
on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2019  
under "PRAKRITI" programme**

Trekking / Bird watching programme to nearby forest area has been conducted for the students of Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya, Sankarpur, Sahaspur, Dehradun under "PRAKRITI" programme. A group of 50 JNV students of class 10<sup>th</sup> were taken to nearby forest for forestry species identification and Bird watching by the scientists of Forest Research Institute, Dehradun on 19 October 2019. Dr. Arun P. Singh, a senior scientist gave information about birds, butterflies and other insects to the students. Dr. Praveen K. Verma, scientist showed various plant species to the students and for identification of plants. He demonstrated key characters of the plant species to the students. Students took lot of interest in identification of various plant species growing in the area. The students were taken to agricultural fields, dry riverbeds, ponds, sal forest, scrub and khair plantation for 3 h in the morning. Altogether, 54 species of birds and over 10 species of butterflies were observed and noted by the students in their note books besides many species of trees, shrubs and herbs. As the students showed interest, they were taken to smart computer lab of the school and given demonstration and awareness on the web how to identify birds, butterflies and plants, though websites and key books. The visit was coordinated by Dr. Devendra Kumar, Scientist D, Extension Division, FRI. The glimpses of trekking are given below:



Scientists and students of JNV, Sahaspur, Dehradun are ready to visit



Scientists of FRI and students of JNV, Sahaspur, Dehradun in forest



Scientists are showing some species of Fauna and flora to the students



Presentation about flora and fauna and their identification by the Scientists of FRI