Community Awareness on Mushrooms of Goa

The researchers of Goa University briefed scientific aspects of ecoconservation of Goa's wild edible mutualistic Termitophilic mushrooms and alerted on it's illegal trade that is eroding its diversity to the participants of the Statutory Biodiversity Committee that met at the Goa Science Centre, Panaji.



This was first such community awareness programme anywhere in India on conservation of fungi in their natural habitat. At this occasion, <u>a</u> <u>poster was also released</u>. The faculty member <u>Dr.</u> <u>Nandakumar Kamat</u>, at the Department of Botany, Goa University and his student have extensively worked on the mushrooms of Goa and making all efforts to educate the public on the

importance of this fungi. Earlier, Dr. Kamat also released a educational strip on this titled '<u>Termitomyces mushrooms marketed from Banastarim, Goa, India</u>' available on YouTube.

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