School children visit to Insectarium, NBAIR, Bengaluru

The students from St. Mary's Public School, Queens Road, Bengaluru visited the Insectarium at Hebbal campus of the Institute on 20 January 2020. Around 87 students of class VII visited the Insectarium, where insects, both live and dead were exhibited. The staff of NBAIR explained about insect diversity and the amazing facts of insects. Then the students were shown the live insects and preserved specimens of both harmful (crop pests) and beneficial insects *viz.*, pollinators, parasitoids, predators (butterflies, ladybird beetles, silk worm, lac insect, honey bees, non-Apis bees, stingless bees, etc.) in Insectarium and were explained about the insect world in brief. Later the children visited the insect photo gallery to get an insight about the variety of insects present around. The students interacted actively and shown interest in looking at the various species of insects displayed in the insectarium.



