

Celebrating of World Bee Day on 20th May, 2020 at ICAR-NBAIR, Bangalore

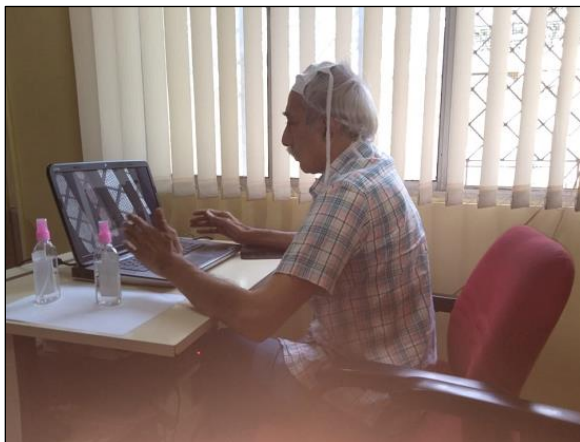


The world bee day was celebrated at ICAR-National Bureau of Agricultural Insect Resources, Bangalore on May 20th 2020 to create awareness about the importance of pollinators, the threats they face and their contribution to sustainable developments. The celebration was held through video conference mode and Dr. Chandish R. Ballal, Director, ICAR-NBAIR, and scientists from ICAR-NBAIR and students from different Universities participated in this virtual meeting.

Dr. N. Bakthavatsalam, Principal Scientist, ICAR-NBAIR has welcomed the participants to the World bee day celebration. He introduced the two speakers of this function to the participants. To mark the day, Dr. A. N. Shylesha, Principal Scientist, ICAR-NBAIR, Bangalore has delivered a talk under the theme on "Significance of World Bee Day". His talk highlighted that extinction rate of bee species is 100 to 1000 times higher than the normal rates. The second talk "Bee Engaged" was delivered by Dr N. S. Bhat, Former Professor, University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru. He dwelt upon on the importance bees in pollination, laboratory rearing of bees, genome sequencing etc. The market potential of specialized honey such as of Manuka, royal jelly, honey venom and bee derived products were also discussed. Dr. Chandish R. Ballal, Director, ICAR-NBAIR interacted with Scientists and other participants. Besides, a poster, prepared by Dr David and Dr. Veereshkumar was published in ICAR-NBAIR to create awareness about 'Save the bees'.



Group photo of World Bee Day Celebration on May 20, 2020



Dr N. S. Bhat, Former Professor, UAS, Bangalore delivered a talk on World Bee Day Celebration



Dr. Chandish R. Ballal, Director, ICAR-NBAIR interacted with participants