

# BIODIVERSITY REPORT Preliminary

April-May 2021

**METHOD Adopted - Species Richness** 

**RVIM Centre for Social Responsibility** 

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## **Drafting of First Biodiversity Report**

### The importance of Biodiversity

Biodiversity is the shortened form of two words "biological" and "diversity". It refers to all the variety of life that can be found on Earth (plants, animals, fungi and micro-organisms) as well as to the communities that they form and the habitats in which they live.

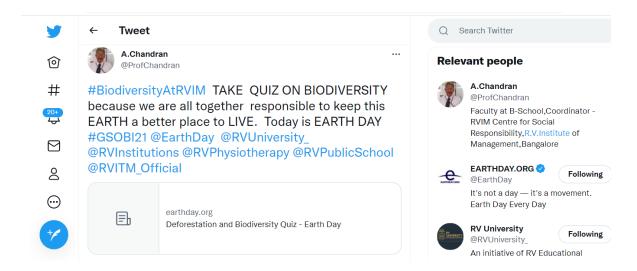
#### **Deliverables**

The outcome of the project shall be documented in a form of a book format in a periodic intervals. Also an e-version of the report shall be made accessible in digital PDF format.

#### **Feasibility**

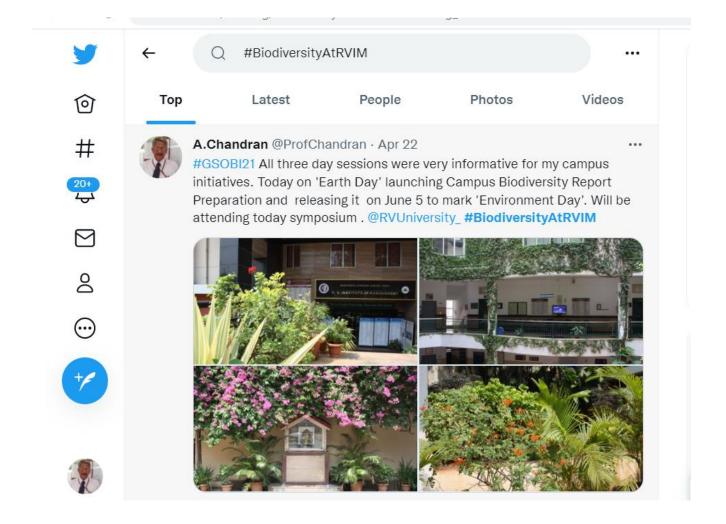
Being engaged in the field of environment, ecology and sustainability for more than 2 decades, have gained sufficient knowledge in the field of 'Biodiversity'. Also being associated with CSR based conservation oriented programmes has been supportive in developing interdisciplinary approach towards mapping of all Sustainable Development Goals SDGs in all the academic cocurricular initiatives.

The project shall be completed within a span of six months by incorporating 'Zero Downtime Approach' and periodic monitoring of team activities through WhatsApp Messaging Services, Twitter Hashtag # BiodiversityAtRVIM.



Created Hash tag #BiodiversityAtRVIM in Twitter on April 21 (Eve of Earth Day) 2021

LINK https://twitter.com/hashtag/BiodiversityAtRVIM?src=hashtag\_click



Twitter as posted on April 22,2021

The Environment Day Made the approach more measurable. The field work is expected to be completed by the end of December and following the month the Biodiversity Report shall be shaped as a yearly initiative with Preliminary report being published on June 5 to mark World Environment Day.

The Lockdown initiatives by the Government during Covid shall be followed and the Gardner shall become the important source of information. Following the ease of Lockdown rules the student volunteers shall be encouraged to take up responsibilities to be associated in the report preparation.

## **Preliminary Study**

The preliminary study was conducted by Gardner Mr. Bora Shetty and has identified the plants and varieties.



RVIM Garden is spacious and houses many medicinal plants for common ailments

The surrounding spaces were marked and counted. The initial identifications is summarized in the tables

#### Plants

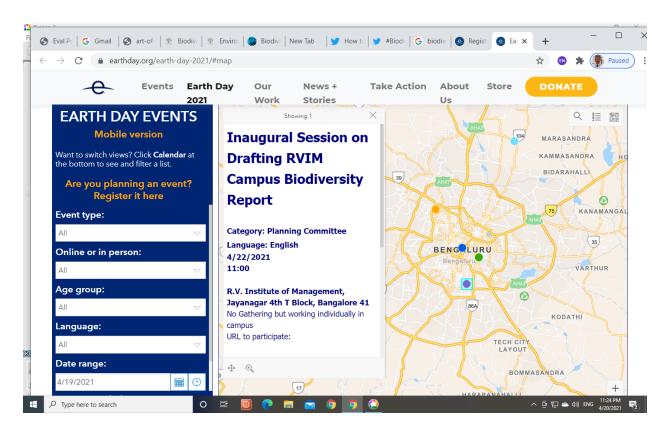
Plants laid on Ground	35 Varieties	500 Plants
Trees	8 Varieties	10 Trees
Potted Plants (Indoor)	15 Varieties	70 Pots
Creepers and Ornamental	8 Varieties	150 Plants
Plants on earth space (Indoor)		
Lawn	3 Varieties	1500 Sq. Grass
Weeds and Stray Plants and	35 Varieties	450 plants along side and
Creepers		corners

## **Living Creatures**

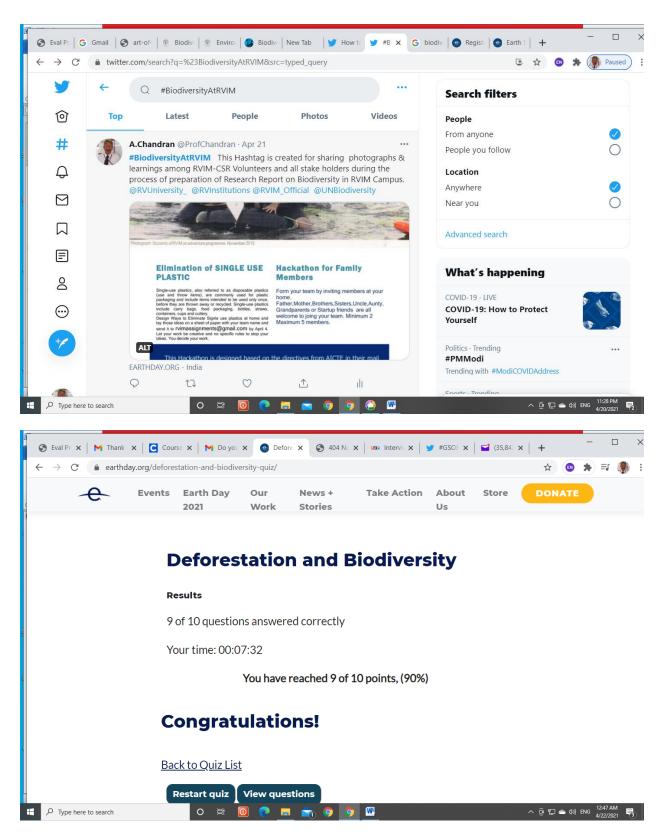
Ants	4	Around 2000 colonies
Earthworms	8 Species	Innumerable /around 3000
Butterflies	15 types	Around 500
Spider	8 Varieties	Innumerable near Rock and
		Compound
Chameleon	4 Types	Around 30 near Playground
Lizard	6 Types	15
Rats	3 Types	Around 50 near compound

Cockroaches	3 Varieties	Around 30 near compound
Dog	1 Type	1 Dog near parking
Cat	1 Type	3 Near Compound
Pigeon	6 Varieties	Around 50
Squirrel	1 Varity	Around 20
Myna	1 Varity	Around 60
Sparrows	1 Varity	Very Few
Crows	3 Varieties	Around 35
Eagles	1 Varity	Around 5 on Roof Top
Fishes in Aquarium	6 Varieties	23 in 4 Aquariums
Bee Hive	2 Varieties	3 hives

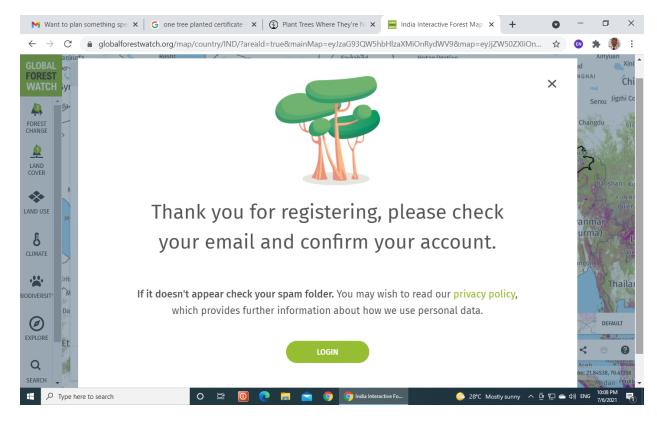
Apart from listed there are few nocturnal creatures observed sometimes like Bats (Around 6 near Bougainvillea Creepers).



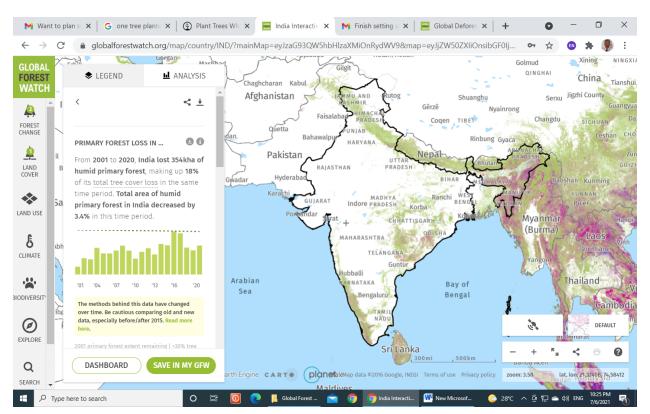
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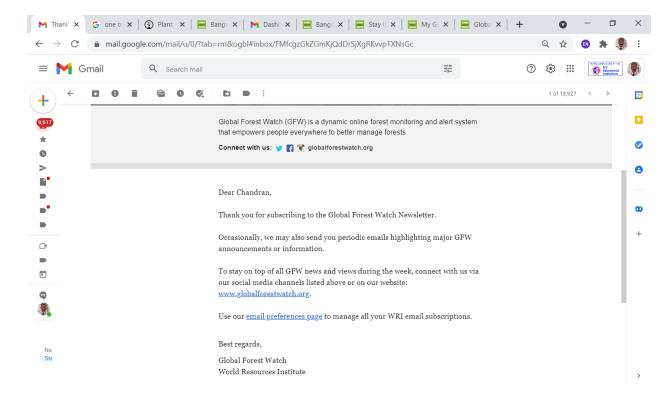


Taken up Quiz on Earth Day

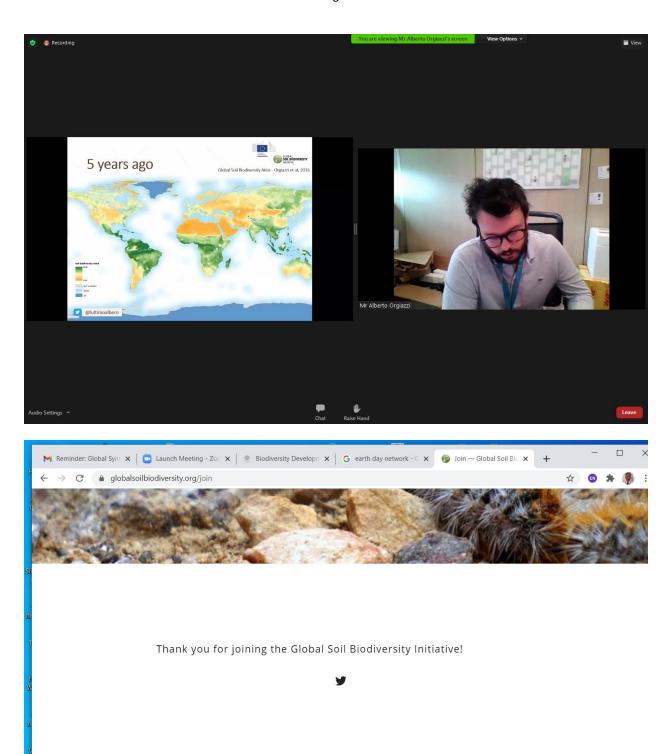


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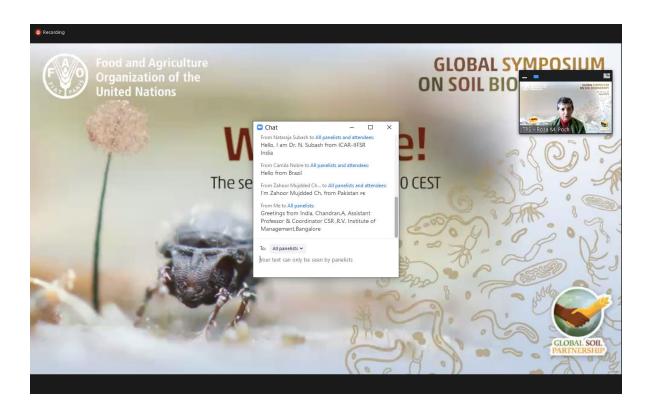


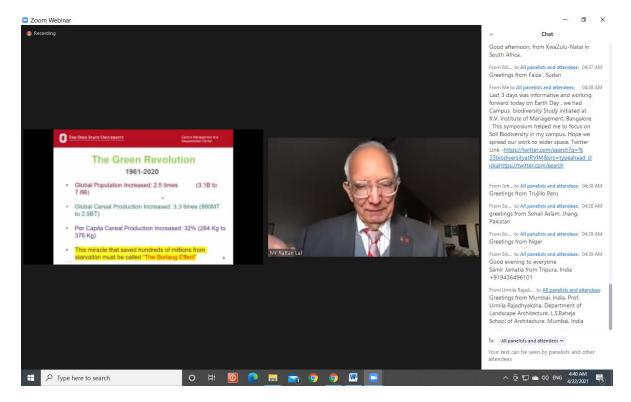
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Coordinator Attended Global Symposium on Soil Biodiversity for Resources and Information

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