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**UNDER ENVIRONMENT CELL
ORGANISES
NATURE TRAIL**
Walk into the greens and find
peace within.

**Date: 9th August 2025
Time: 8:30 a.m. sharp**

**PRINCIPAL:
DR MASARRAT SAHEB ALI** **COORDINATOR:
DR. AVANI KANAKIA**

**Venue: Maharashtra nature park, Sion Bandra Link Road
Dharavi, opp. Bus Depot, Mumbai 400017 India**

**VISION: SHAPING THE PUPIL TEACHERS TO SHOULDER THE
RESPONSIBILITY OF SHAPING THE FUTURE YOUTH OF THE NATION**



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Report on Nature Trail Organized by Humera Khan College of Education

Date of Event: 9th August 2025

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Venue: Maharashtra Nature Park, Sion Bandra Link Road, Dharavi, Mumbai

Organised by: Environment Cell, Humera Khan College of Education

Principal: Dr. Masarrat Saheb Ali

Coordinator: Dr. Avani Kanakia

Objectives of the Nature Trail

- To encourage observation and appreciation of biodiversity.
- To understand the ecological importance of plants, butterflies, and other wildlife.
- To promote conservation-oriented thinking and sustainable practices.
- To provide hands-on learning experiences like vermicompost making.

Significance

The Nature Trail was a valuable educational and recreational experience that connected theory with real-world observation. Maharashtra Nature Park, founded by the eminent ornithologist Salim Ali, is not just a green oasis in Mumbai but also a centre for biodiversity conservation and environmental education. Such visits help pupil teachers understand their role in creating environmentally conscious citizens.

Content of the Visit

The trail began with an introduction to the park's history and significance. The guide shared that the park is home to 84 species of butterflies, including the beautiful Blue Tiger butterfly, and 8 types of snakes that contribute to maintaining the ecological balance. We also learned that around 2,000 to 3,000 trees are planted here, helping in air purification and providing shelter to various species.

We witnessed:

1. Butterfly spotting: Observed the Blue Tiger butterfly and learned about their role in pollination.
2. Tree diversity: Understood the importance of different plant species for ecological stability.
3. Snake diversity: Learned about the presence of 8 different snake species and their role in controlling pests and maintaining the food chain.
4. Vermicompost making: Learned the process of converting organic waste into nutrient-rich compost.
5. Plant nursery: Saw affordable saplings for sale, encouraging home gardening.



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The park's founder, Salim Ali, was a passionate birdwatcher, and the space continues to reflect his love for nature and conservation.

Reflection

The Nature Trail was an eye-opening experience that highlighted the interconnectedness of all living beings. Walking amidst lush greenery brought peace and a sense of responsibility towards protecting our environment. Observing butterflies, snakes, and diverse plant species reinforced the importance of biodiversity.

The vermicompost demonstration inspired us to adopt sustainable waste management practices at home and school. The affordable plant nursery showed us that creating green spaces is possible for everyone.

As future educators, this experience strengthened our belief that environmental education must be integrated into teaching to nurture environmentally responsible citizens. The Nature Trail was not only an excursion but a step towards shaping a greener future.



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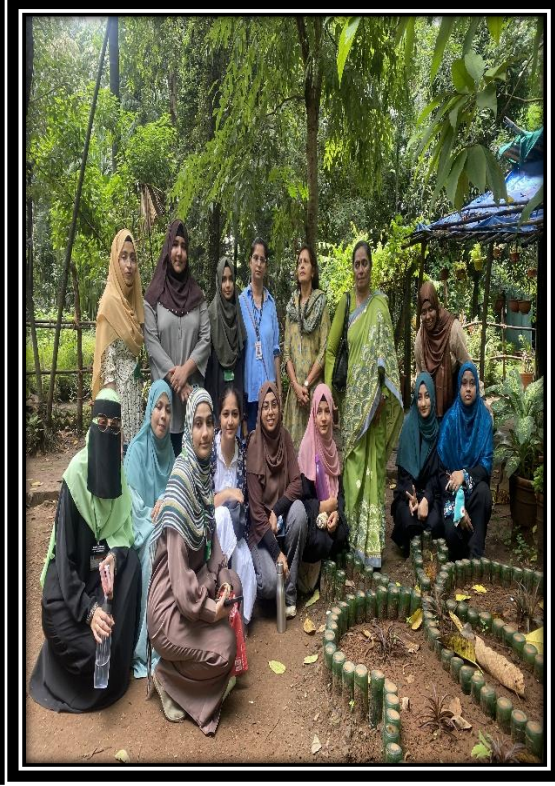
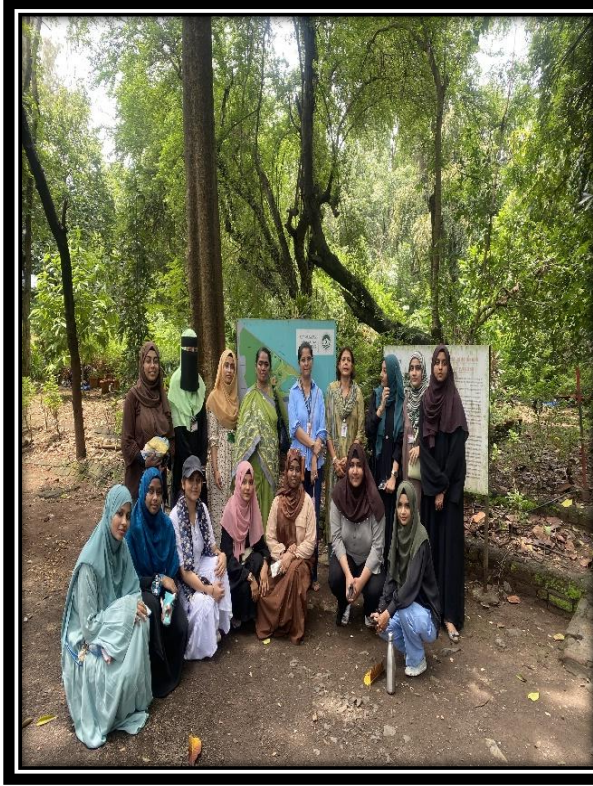
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Picture for Nature Park on 09.08.25





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