

**MARCH 14, 2018 – MARCH 16, 2018**  
**NATURE EDUCATION CAMP**



The Bhoomithrasena Club conducted a 3 days Nature Education Camp at Pampadum shola National Park, Munnar from March 14 to March 16, 2018. The participants were Bhoomithrasena Club Members of Second year B A / B.Sc. and B. Com Degree courses. The camp was sponsored by the Kerala Forests and Wildlife Department, Munnar. A total of 31 students accompanied by three teachers, Mr. Vishnu Chandran, Mrs. Aswathy Raj and Dr. V. Shree Ranjini, FIC Bhoomithrasena Club participated in the camp. The camp started from the college on 14<sup>th</sup> March with blessing from the Principal Dr. Shiny Sreedhar. Enroute to Pambadum shola we had brief stops at Adimaly, Munnar Tea garden, Kundala Lake and Top station.



*Pampadum Shola National Park, Munnar*

By evening we reached the destination and the Camp started with a formal function. Munnar Wildlife Division Beat Officers Mr. Paul and Mr. Ashik Basheer welcomed us with a brief description of the camp. The students got a chance to introduce themselves.



*Nature Education Centre*

Dr. V. J. Jins who is doing Research work on Reptiles took a very informative class on “Amphibians and Reptiles”. The students actively participated in the discussion and got a clear picture of the reptiles especially venomous snakes.



*Dr. V. J. Jins taking class*



The second day started with a “Nature Walk” to Vattavada guided by Forest Beat Officer Mr. Ashik Basheer and a Forest Watcher. The students were enlightened by their first hand experience by walking through the thick evergreen forest, dry grasslands and mountains. The students luckily got a chance to spend a little time in the Yummy Strawberry Farms. A cleaning programme by the participants was introduced at the Camp.



*Cleaning programme*

The day concluded with a presentation by Mr. Paul on biodiversity followed by a fun session with the talk and sharing of experience by the students.



*A class on Biodiversity by Mr. Paul*

The third day after a short class on wildlife, Certificates distributed to the participants. The camp concluded by 11 a.m.



*Certificate distribution*