

Report of Session titled

“Shankar Purushottam Agharkar: an Innovative Morphologist”

a part of webinar series titled

Know the Innovators

Organised by

Innovation Corner, VPM's B. N. Bandodkar College of Science (Autonomous), Thane

Day and Date: Thursday, 25th November, 2021

Time: 5:00 PM

Online Platform: Microsoft Team

Attendee: 40 participants

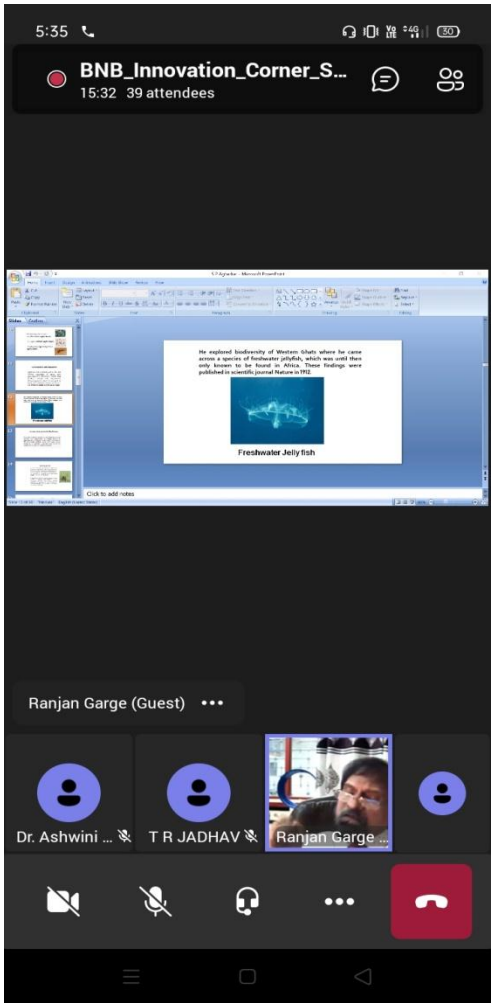
Speaker: Dr Ranjan Garge

“Innovation Corner” organised a very interesting session on “Shankar Purushottam Agharkar an Innovative Morphologist” under the series “Know the Innovators”. The online session was conducted on 25th November, 2021 at 5:00 pm through Microsoft teams platform. The guest speaker for the lecture was Dr Ranjan Garge, Retired Principal, Government college of Arts and Science, Aurangabad.

Dr Ranjan Garge started his talk by giving a brief idea about the discovery of three important flowering plants by Agharkar as (*Discorea agharkarii*, *Mitrula agharkarii*, *Cryptobyrtops agharkarii*). Further he explained about the whole life journey of famous Morphologist Shankar Purushottam Agharkar (18 November 1884 – 01 September 1960). Then he said that the Shankar Agharkar had obtained his Ph.D degree (1919) from University of Berline, Germany with specialization in Plant Morphology. He told that Agharkar was known as Founder Director (1946-60) of Maharashtra Association for the cultivation of science and in 1992 this institute was renamed as Agharkar Institute (ARI) in honour the Founder Director. Dr. Garge explained about one of the famous discoveries of Agharkar published in scientific journal Nature in 1912 - Freshwater Jellyfish; he narrated that while exploring the biodiversity of Western Ghats Agharkar came across a species of freshwater jellyfish, which was until then only known to be found in Africa.

Dr. Garge also discussed the different career opportunities in Agharkar Institute and the admission procedure in this prestigious Institute. The session was ended with formal vote of thanks by Mohini Kushwah madam. There were total 40 students and teachers present for the talk and 21 responses were received for the feedback form shared. The session was well appreciated in the feedback comments.

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