

Seminar name- Plant Animal Interaction.

Date- September 21, 2022.

Venue- Seminar Hall, SNCW.

In association with- IQAC. Speaker- Dr. Mahua Ghara, Former Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Biological Sciences, Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Mohali. Content- Dr. Ghara introduced various kinds of plant- animal interaction, specially the fig-fig wasp system. She explained in very lucid way how tiny fig-wasps pollinate the fig flowers and how this interaction between them has evolved into mutualism. She showed her own data on the fig- fig wasp system and the conclusions that can be drawn from them.

Number of students- 34 from Zoology Department. Number of teachers- 14 from various departments. Outcome- The topic of the seminar is of significance in understanding ecology, evolution and animal behaviour, which are all parts of the curriculum for Zoology subject as well as significant for raising awareness in the general public. The talk highlighted the pollinator and plant relationships which is the most crucial focus of conservation biology in the current times worldwide.