

## **Botanical Society: Nargis 2017-18**

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The inaugural function of Botanical Society “Nargis” was held on 17th August, 2017. Mr. Anup K. Mudgal (IFS-Retd), former High Commissioner of India to Port Louis (Mauritius), delivered a talk. The society organized its annual festival on 28th of February, 2018. The fest 3 included various events, along with an Environment Quiz for the “Dr. Virendra Kumar Rolling Trophy”. The Department organized a national conference on “Challenges and Strategies to Improve Crop Productivity in Changing Environment - An integrated Approach”. Another national conference on “Genetics – Environment Interface: Science and Spirituality” was organized on January 25, 2018, in memory of the highly revered colleague Dr. Virendra Kumar. Hon`ble Union Minister Dr. Harshvardhan delivered the inaugural address at this conference. A group of seven students and two teachers, Dr. Ratnam Kaul Wattal and Dr. Tabassum Jehan attended Indian Science Congress at Imphal and presented poster on relevant topics of present day context.