

Online Quiz on “Biodiversity of Haryana”, ITPI, Haryana Regional Chapter

Schedule Date: 05th June 2020 (Friday)

Schedule Time: 11:00 AM to 11:30 AM

On the World Environment Day 2020, an Online Quiz was organised by ITPI, Haryana Regional Chapter on the topic -“Biodiversity of Haryana” in conscience with this year’s World Environment Day theme – “Celebrate Biodiversity”.

It was first of its kind Online Quiz hosted by any ITPI regional chapter in India. Haryana is the first one to initiate this kind of an online quiz, which have gain appreciation in various social and print media platforms including “The Times of India”.

This quiz was open to all age groups and had a total of 50 multiple-choice questions (MCQs) of 2 marks each. 10 MCQs were of picture identification in form of birds, animals, reptiles, flowers and tree species like Painted stork, Vachellia nilotica, Boselaphus tragocamelus and Saraca asoca etc. 40 MCQs were related to Biodiversity Parks, National Parks, Wildlife sanctuaries, Bio-geography, URDPFI guidelines, Wildlife Protection Act and Biological Diversity Act etc. Total 30 minutes were allotted for mandatory registration and response to all 50 MCQs. The quiz was opened at 11:00 AM and participants were asked to submit the responses within 30 minutes i.e. before 11:30 AM. More than 100 people participated from various field of professions as well as academic institutions. Graduate, Post-graduate students and faculty from Ansal University, Banaras Hindu University, Om Sterling Global University, School of Planning and Architecture participated with full enthusiasm and courage. Many Town Planners, Research Officers, Landscape designers and Consultants from renowned organisations like Department of Town and Country Planning (Haryana), Delhi Development Authority, Apple, ICLEI, Ernst & Young, NIUA, TCPO, MoHUA and Municipal Corporations participated in fairly large number despite being a busy working day for them. Highest scorer scored 98 marks, runner up scored 96 marks and third one scored 88 marks out of total 100 marks. An honorarium was also awarded to the top three scorers.

ITPI, Haryana Regional Chapter is thankful to Shri. Diwakar Meshram, ITPI President for his constant support and motivation for this quiz. The quiz was convened by ITPI HRC Chairman Sh. Sudhir Chauhan and co-convened by ITPI

HRC Secretary Sh. Vijay Kumar. It was designed and hosted by Ar. Sumeet Kumar, a young Architect, Planner and Researcher currently working with Delhi Assembly Research Centre. The list of eminent participants included Sh. R. Srinivas, Senior Town Planner (TCPO, MoHUA), Ms. Marisha Sharma, Director/Technical (Min Mec Consultancy Pvt. Ltd.) and Ms. Avantika, Senior Manager (ICLEI SA).