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Academic Curriculum

Ph.D.

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Ph.D.Topic: Taxonomy and Diversity of Phylum Echinodermata of Kerala coast with special emphasis to sea cucumbers

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Teaching Experience

Assistant Professor, Post Graduate Department of Zoology, MSM College, Kayamkulam since 2010.

Publications

- 1). R. P. Deepa & A. Biju Kumar (2010)

New records of sea cucumbers *Holothuria (Semperothuria) imitans* Ludwig and *Stichopus hermanni* Semper (Echinodermata: Holothuroidea) from southwestern coast of India. *Journal of threatened taxa*, 2(2): 712-715.

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- 4) Bindu, L.1 , Sreeja, S.1 , Varsha, K.V.1 , Shameena, M.2 and Deepa, R.P. (2023)

Sex-ratio and size distribution of the sand crab, *Emerita* (Order: Decapoda; Family: Hippidae) from Thrikkunnappuzha beach of Alappuzha District, Kerala, India. *Journal of Aquatic Biology & Fisheries* | 2023 | 11(2) | pp. 6- 9 ISSN 2321–340X

Chapter in Books

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2. Habitat ecology of sea cucumbers from Thirumullavaram rocky shore, South Kerala, Marine & Coastal Diversity, APH Publishing co-operation, New Delhi. 2015. Chapter 35, pp.284-289. ISBN. 978-93-313-2566-2.
3. Aquariyathille akaseerukikal, Malsyavum jalaparisthithiyum, Kerala Bhasha Institute Thiruvananthapuram. 2024. Chapter 19. pp.175-184. ISBN: 978-93-6100-230-4. (On press)

4. Malsyakrishiyille noothana reethikal, Malsyavum jalaparisthithiyum, Kerala Bhasha Institute Thiruvananthapuram. 2024. Chapter 23. pp.203-210. ISBN: 978-93-6100-230-4. (On press)

Paper Presentations

1. **Deepa R.** & A. Bijukumar (2010). Diversity of Echinoderms of Kerala coast. *First Indian Biodiversity Congress 2010: Book of Abstracts*, 148pp.