

Course attainment

Introduction to Ophiology

- (1) This course was first of its kind, at least in West Bengal.
- (2) Though the course was designed mainly to cater participants from different fields of Biology who have special interest in knowing this enigmatic group of animals, we had to accommodate a few candidates from other subjects too.
- (3) We were thrilled to have a pan-India response. We were honoured to find the names of some faculty members from different Colleges of West Bengal among the course participants.
- (4) At the end of each session the resource persons were bombarded with questions and clarifications on different aspects of their lectures all of which were satisfactorily addressed.
- (5) On the closing day many participants requested the Department of Zoology of Government General Degree College, Singur to design an Advanced course on Ophiology, preferably with hands-on training sessions, to get an in-depth understanding of the subject.
- (6) The Department of Zoology was delighted and honoured to get an offer from the Principal of Jhargram Raj College, who himself was a participant of the course offered by the Department of Zoology, Government General Degree College, Singur to cater the course on behalf of his college. **We consider this as one of the most precious certificate and attainment of the course.**
- (7) Encouraged by the overwhelming positive feedback from the participants of courses offered by both the colleges the Department of Zoology of Government General Degree College, Singur is considering the designing of an advanced course on snake biology, rescue and husbandry with elaborate hands-on training sessions.
- (8) The College authority is presently considering the option of signing a MoU with a company which is presently actively engaged in establishing and expanding snake husbandry and venom extraction facility in the state of West Bengal. Students who have participated in and successfully completed this course will have clearly advantage in exploring job opportunities in this field of biology.



Handling snake during field trip



Tools for handling snakes