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1. About

   The Peradeniya University Botanical Society (BOTSOC)

In 1987, The Peradeniya University Botanical Society (BOTSOC) was established at the Faculty of Science, University of Peradeniya. The objective of the Society is to stimulate an active interest in Botany among the university students. BOTSOC provides a friendly conducive environment to students to participate in variety of activities that helps to deepen their understanding and appreciation of different areas of Botany.

BOTSOC runs many annual events with the help of experts representing different fields related to Botany in Sri Lanka. Nature exploration (Excursions to natural ecosystems) and conservation (Save the Next Generation: Restoration program), education and research (Talks/Workshops by Experts in related-fields), fundraising (T-shirt printing) and entertainment (Padura) programs are some of the events organized by the Society. These events enable students to work with peers who have similar interest and passion and develop soft skills such as communication skills, team working and leadership skills, etc.

The career-orientated events organized by BOTSOC throughout the year provide students with networking opportunities, allowing them to meet with industry professionals and to learn about the variety of career opportunities available for students with biological science background.

Our impact

Dissemination of knowledge on different subjects related to Botany

Awareness programs on biodiversity conservation for new entrants

Restoration of 5 ha of degraded lands in Knuckles Forest Reserve, Sri Lanka

Photos attached

Place to display the logo of the society (Sadhana will email)

2. Contact

    - Current office bearers (photos, names and emails)

    - Senior treasurer (photo, name and emails)

    - Patron (photo, name and emails)

3. Newsroom

     - Activities

(Report 2019 attached)

     - Upcoming activities

* BOTSOC ‘Padura’

A classical music event organized annually by BOTSOC to entertain the busy souls. Music will be provided by the Art Circle of the Faculty of Science and it is a good opportunity to perform the talents of young scientists , academic and non-academic staff members in the university.

* Field visit to a natural ecosystem
* Bonsai workshop

This will be conducted by Dr. Jilushi Damunupola (Senior Lecturer, Department of Botany)

* Save the next generation: restoration of degraded lands at Knuckles Forest Reserve
* T-shirt (will email)

4. Join Us

     - Eligibility

Any member of the university community can join BOTSOC

     - Online application form (form attached)

5. Donate (form attached)

6. Awards

JASTECA CSR – Sustainability Gold Award 2018

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“Saving the Next Generation, Restoration of degraded sites in Riverston and

the Knuckles forest reserve”, a project carried out by the Botanical Society of

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(photo attached)

7. Gallery

Year-wise

2017

2018

2019

8. Inspiring quotes (for photo banners)

* All things share the same breath - the beast, the tree, the man. The air shares its spirit with all the life it supports.

Chief Seattle

* Man did not weave the web of life, he is merely a strand in it. Whatever he does to the web, he does to himself. - Chief Seattle
* “The goal of life is to make your heartbeat match the beat of the universe, to match your nature with nature.” —Joseph Campbell
* “I felt my lungs inflate with the onrush of scenery—air, mountains, trees, people. I thought, ‘This is what it is to be happy.”‘ —Sylvia Plath
* “If we surrendered to earth’s intelligence we could rise up rooted, like trees.” —Rainer Maria Rilke
* “Adopt the pace of nature: her secret is patience.” —Ralph Waldo Emerson