

**B.P.H.E. Society's  
Ahmednagar College, Ahmednagar  
Department of Zoology  
Research Centre**

The Department of Zoology, offering B.Sc. course, was established in 1947; when Ahmednagar College was founded. The post-graduate course M.Sc. with specialisation in Entomology commenced from 1970. The Department is **Grant-in-Aid** department for UG and PG courses. **M.Phil./ Ph.D. Research Centre** in Zoology recognised by the University of Pune was established in the year 2000. Presently, the Department offers graduate and post-graduate courses leading to B.Sc., M.Sc., M.Phil. and Ph.D. degrees.

The Department has 07 highly qualified and competent faculty. Of these, 06 are Ph.D., 01 is SET qualified and 01 is also NET qualified. 05 faculty are recognized PG Teachers. 04 faculty are M.Phil. Guides and 03 are Ph.D. Guides recognized by Savitribai Phule Pune University.

The faculty of the department are involved in active research and have successfully completed 03 Major and 05 Minor Research Projects between January 2011 to December 2016; whereas, 01 Major Research Project is ongoing. The research work of the faculty has been published in reputed national and international journals.

03 research students of the Zoology Research Centre were awarded Ph.D. degree and 01 research student was awarded M.Phil. degree between January 2011 to December 2016.

Entomology, Apidology, Animal Physiology, Biodiversity & Taxonomy, Freshwater Biology, Fisheries Management and Biochemistry are the major thrust areas of research at the Zoology Research Centre.

#### **CO-ORDINATOR OF RESEARCH CENTRE IN ZOOLOGY**

**Dr. Nandkumar R. Somawanshi**  
Head, Department of Zoology

#### **RESEARCH GUIDES AND THEIR SPECIALISATIONS**

- 1. Dr. Balraj S. Khobragade**  
M.Phil., Ph.D. Guide  
Fisheries Management
- 2. Dr. Gajanan S. Pande**  
M.Phil. Guide  
Animal Physiology
- 3. Dr. Ivan J. Aranha**  
M.Phil., Ph.D. Guide  
Reproductive Biology
- 4. Dr. Avinash I. Vanjare**  
M.Phil., Ph.D. Guide  
Zooplankton Diversity