




Event Name	Training Program On Snakebite Prevention
Event Date	11-06-2026
Event Venue	Panchayat Training Hall
Details of the Event	<p>As part of the ongoing Living Lab initiatives, Kanichar Grama Panchayath, in collaboration with the Kerala State Disaster Management Authority (KSDMA), District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA) – Kannur, District Health Mission- Kannur, ICMR and Amrita Institute of Medical Science conducted a one-day training program on 11th May 2026. The training, held at the Kanichar Panchayath Training Hall, was aimed at Panchayath representatives, ERT members, Kudumbasree members, Haritha Karma Sena.</p> <p>The primary objective of the training was to enhance public awareness regarding snakebite prevention, promote safe practices to reduce human-snake conflicts, and improve community preparedness in responding to snakebite incidents.</p> <p>The session covered various aspects of snakebite prevention, including measures that individuals and communities can adopt to minimize the risk of snake encounters in and around homes, workplaces, and agricultural areas. Participants were educated on the immediate actions to be taken following a snakebite, as well as common mistakes and harmful practices that should be avoided. The training also provided information on the most commonly encountered snake species in the local area, with special emphasis on the four medically significant venomous snakes found in Kerala. Their physical characteristics, behavior patterns, habitats, and methods of identification were explained to help participants better understand and safely respond to snake encounters.</p> <p>The importance of timely medical intervention was highlighted, particularly the role of Anti-Snake Venom (ASV) in the treatment of venomous snakebites. Participants were informed about the nearest healthcare facilities where ASV is available and the standard treatment procedures followed in healthcare institutions. The training also introduced the "Sarpa" mobile application and explained its usefulness in snake identification, reporting sightings, and accessing expert guidance.</p> <p>In addition, the program showcased successful snakebite prevention and awareness initiatives implemented by communities, organizations, and governments in different regions and countries. These examples demonstrated practical approaches to reducing snakebite incidents and strengthening community resilience. Through interactive discussions and</p>

	<p>knowledge-sharing sessions, the training aimed to equip participants with the information and skills necessary to prevent snakebites, respond appropriately during emergencies, and contribute to creating a safer community.</p>
<p>Number of Females</p>	<p>44</p>
<p>Number of males</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>Number of transgenders</p>	<p>-</p>
<p>Number of Children's</p>	<p>-</p>
<p>Resource Persons</p>	<p>Aravind M.S, Ansaf M.A, Dr. Sailesh S.S</p>
<p>Photos</p>	 <p>The photographs show a training session in progress. In the top photo, a presenter is standing at the front of a room, pointing at a projection screen. The audience is seated in rows of chairs, facing the front. In the middle photo, the presenter is standing at the front of the room, and the audience is seated in rows of chairs. In the bottom photo, the presenter is standing at the front of the room, and the audience is seated in rows of chairs. Banners are visible on the wall behind the presenter.</p>

