

Forty-one students and three faculty members from the School of Sciences and Allied Health Sciences (SSAHS), Jeppiaar University, Chennai, attended an academic interaction at the CSIR-NEERI Regional Centre, Chennai. The programme began with an informative lecture by Dr. R. Sivacoumar, Scientist G and Head, CSIR-NEERI, Chennai, who explained key concepts of Science and Engineering and their application in addressing environmental challenges. He spoke on sustainable development, global warming, climate change, and the balance between developmental activities and environmental conservation, highlighting CSIR-NEERI's role in promoting environmentally responsible progress. The interactive session encouraged active student participation.

Subsequently, the group toured laboratory facilities including Air Pollution, Water and Wastewater Analysis, and Biotechnology. They were introduced to ongoing research projects and analytical instruments used for environmental monitoring, along with demonstrations on testing and interpretation of environmental parameters. The programme offered valuable practical exposure and strengthened their understanding of applying academic knowledge to environmental problem-solving.

