## Oswal Shikshan & Rahat Sangh Sanchalit SHREE HALARI VISA OSWAL COLLEGE OF COMMERCE

(Affiliated to University of Mumbai)

## Nature trail Organized by Nature club members of S.H.V.O.C.C

Motto:- Love the Nature, Live with Nature

<u>Objective</u>: To sensitize, create awareness, motivate and educate students about environment Conservation.

**Repor**t :- On 6<sup>th</sup> August, 2016 all the 111 members of nature club came to college at 7.30.am for Nature trail at Sanjay Gandhi National Park Borivali for "SHILONDA TRAIL"

- 111 students, 4 teaching staff & 4 Non-teaching staff around 9 am started for Nature trail.
- Nature trail started around 12.30 p.m by dividing students into 3 groups.
- All the students were guided by 3 naturalists named, Mr.Daivat Bandgar, Mr. Swapnil Sonawane and Mr. Yatin Gholap.
- Introduced the nature trail with the importance of environment and conservation of environment.
- Large protected area in Northern part of Mumbai consists of 104sqkm and is surrounded on three sides Thane, Borivali, Goregaon.
- The trail reveals the gradual graduation in the vegetation from scrubland at the beginning to dense, tall evergreen forest ahead.
- Trail lined up with black berry tree, wild grapes, teak plant, bamboo groves, cup & soccer flower, wild turmeric plant, fruits etc.
- Trail route met at more than one point rapid forest stream and wading through knee-deep crystal clear water is nothing less than therapeutic for the city-weary soul.
- Trail also lined up with water pool where leopard comes at evening time & drink water, spotted dear at open space, voice of different birds, etc.
- Trail ended at around 2.15 p.m and all left the SGNP at around 2.45p.m. Students enjoyed a lot by learning something new about nature. A good experience for all the members. We reached in college at 5.pm. and ended with nature trail by dispersing all students properly.