## 11<sup>th</sup> March 2020

The sixth lecture of the Kasturi series of lecture was held on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2020. The speaker for the day was Dr. Divya Karnad who is an Assistant Professor with the Ashoka University. She spoke on how to save the ocean one bite at a time.

Dr. Divya highlighted the concerns associated with declining fish stock around the world. She mentioned the Indian scenario was much better but the introduction of technology has led to a steady decline in the fish catch. Different fishing methods are practiced but the prawn trawl is considered to be the most destructive as it catches other species in addition to prawns. From her talk it could be inferred that among the 200 edible species available for consumption the popular choices were restricted to 68 species of fish. She also stressed on the fact that there was a disconnect between producers and consumers. She advocated the consumption of diverse fishes, choosing seasonal fishes and also supporting small scale fishing can go a long way in sustaining fisheries.



Dr. Divya Karnad, Assistant Professor with the Ashoka University with attendees of the lecture "How to save the ocean one bite at a time".