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BATHUKAMMA CELEBRATIONS

Bathukamma is floral festival celebrated predominantly in Telangana and some parts of Andhra Pradesh. Bathukamma is celebrated for nine days during Durga Navratri. It starts on the day of Mahalaya Amavasya and the 9-day festivities will culminate on "Saddula Bathukamma" or "Pedda Bathukamma" festival on Ashwayuja Navami, popularly known as Durgashtami which is two days before Dussehra. Bathukamma is followed by Boddemma, which is a 7-day festival. Boddemma festival that marks the ending of Varsha Ruthu whereas Bathukamma festival indicates the beginning of Sarad or Sharath Ruthu. Bathukamma represents cultural spirit of Telangana. Bathukamma is a beautiful flower stack, arranged with different unique seasonal flowers most of them with medicinal values, in seven concentric layers in the shape of temple gopuram. In Telugu, 'Bathukamma' means 'Mother Goddess come Alive' and Goddess Maha Gauri-'Life Giver' is worshipped in the form of Bathukamma – the patron goddess of womanhood, Gauri Devi.

On the eve of Bathukamma, Gland Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences also celebrated this festival on 30/09/2022. On this special occasion women dressed up in the traditional sari combining it with jewels and other accessories. Girl Students came in Langa-Oni/Half-Sarees/Lehenga Choli combining it with jewels and brought the traditional grace of the attire. As a part of the celebration all the students prepared the bathukamma by collecting and arranging the flowers and made prayers. Later all the students gathered in front of the college and danced in front of the bathukamma as a part of celebration. All the bathukammas were immersed in the ponds in our campus and concluded the event by distributing the prasadam. All the teaching & non-teaching staff, students participated in the event and made it a grand success.



