

Conservations: Orchids are of great importance mainly in horticulture and floriculture. Species like *Dendrobium*, *Paphiopedilum*, *Papilionanthe*, *Phalaenopsis*, *Spathoglottis*, etc. attract large tourists and horticulturist. Ex-situ conservation of orchids in various gardens and in-situ conservation by declaring gene sanctuary to various species rich areas are urgent need of the hour. Strict enforcement of laws, stringent action against illegal trade and exploitation of Orchids need to be ensured on priority basis for posterity.

