## EIACP RP on Combating Desertification, ICAR- Central Arid Zone Research Institute, Jodhpur celebrated the "World Ozone Day-2023"

EIACP RP unit at ICAR – CAZRI, Jodhpur celebrated "World ozone Day" on 15<sup>th</sup> of September 2023 under the direction of Director, CAZRI. "Speech competition" among the college students and "Painting competition" among school students of Jodhpur were the major activities. Dr. Anand Kumar Naorem, Scientist at CAZRI presented a video based story on various aspects of Ozone depletion and its effects. Students from colleges of Jodhpur took part and deliberated upon their understanding on the effects of Ozone depletion and the environment during the Speech competition. School students of class 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> expressed their views about the protection of Ozone layer through beautiful paintings. Prizes were distributed to the winners. The participants also visited Desert Botanical garden of the institute and came to know about the native flora of desert region having herbal and economic importance.



Initially, EIACP Coordinator, Dr. P.C. Moharana spoke about importance of celebrating the World Ozone Day. About 60 students from local colleges, schools, Scientists from CAZRI, Dr. R.K. Kakani, Dr. Sumant Vyas, Dr. Vipin Choudhary, Dr. Manoj Kumar Parihar, Technical officers and EIACP staff members actively participated in the event.