



Pollen of Pink Wild Musk Mallow

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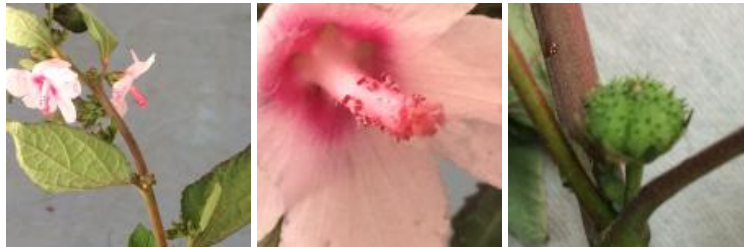
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From a students' desk : Mohit Sharma



Learning usage and assembly of foldscope @ GGSDS workshop gave me real life-time experience – 'how amazing the nature is ?

On 2nd day of workshop we were taken for a walk to nearby Japanese garden. On the way I spotted a wild plant with beautiful baby pink flowers which were without any pedicel. It was the flower of musk mallow – a wild member of Okra family. I plucked a few flowers and saw its typical pistil and a clustered anthers arising from the terminal end of the pistil. The anthers were caducous type and shredded quickly. However, I was successful in dusting pollen on a slide and observed these through a foldscope.

