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ARE WE ALONE? PEOPLE'S PERCEPTION ON AN EXOWORLD, ITS PLANET AND POSSIBLE
LIFE ON IT

Abstract

If we look at the media outlet, stories related to alien life might be the most read as people are curious to know if there is life outside earth, in our solar system, or even in ExoWorld. In 2019, we organized the Name ExoWorld Campaign where we asked people to propose and vote for the name of a planet and its star that lies in the constellation of Leo. This paper will present our strategy to engage people in the campaign, people's perception of the system, and their queries about the possibilities of life on the planet around a host star HD100777, known as Sagarmatha, during the campaign in 2019. Similarly, this paper will present the challenges we faced to explain and convince people at our Ministry of Education, Science, and Technology to endorse the campaign as a part of the National Science Day 2019 celebration. It will share the results of the online survey to see people's perception or expectation of the extraterrestrial intelligence on the planet HD100777b known as Laligurans.