



Indian Institute of Information Technology, Sonepat



Student exchange program

<u>Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat</u>

The sole ideology of our nation believes in unification of one and all! India being the only country in the world having several different cultures and 22 different languages as recognised by the constitution of India. Despite having such a vast diversity in culture, we all live with peace , harmony and love.

Under an initiative taken by Gov. Of India namely Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat(EBSB), Indian institute of information Technology Sonepat is paired with Indian institute of information technology Raichur situated in Hyderabad!

Under the Student exchange program, 50 students of IIIT Sonepat visited IIIT Raichur for a 5 day culture and language exposure program.



That's how the journey started, It was rainy though! But everyone was super excited for interacting with our friends from IIIT Raichur and spend a Fun time in Hyderabad. From our campus we headed towards New Delhi railway stn. For further journey and trust me each and every part of our trip was unexpectedly exciting. The smiles on each of our faces are enough to guess the level of happiness we had for the journey!



The way IIIT Raichur welcomed us at the Secundrabad jn. Itself spoke the level of fun and friendship we are going to establish in the upcoming five days. Here is a glimpse of smiles we had even after a hard tiring journey of 26 hours!



Day 1 started with local campus visit in IIT HYDERABAD and an overview of what we 'll be having in the upcoming days!





Yes! It was day one and see how IIIT Sonepat and IIIT Raichur got mixed despite having language issues! Someone has truly said:



Love and friendship in its truest forms has no language!

On the second day we had a visit to Gongulur village and interacted with little school students and carried a program to inculcate feeling of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat among the little ones! Also we spoke to the Pradhan and local villagers to gather some information about their villages and rural culture! After that we visited a nearby bird sanctuary and reservoir. And that's how the day came to an end!



On the third day we had a lots of fun in campus and going around some places in Hyderabad. At night, We had a language elocution competition followed by an Antakshari competition which went 2 hours up the time we decided for it! Just for the sake of fun and it was really amazing enjoying Hindi and Telugu melodies altogether!



The next day our friends from IIIT Raichur accompanied us for local monumental visits! We the Students of IIIT Sonepat were fascinated to see the famous Golconda Fort, The Salarjung museum and one and only the Charminar!



We were so drenched in fun and making memories that we literally forgot the idea of going back and so our last day with these people happened to come!

On the last day Director of IIT HYDERABAD Dr. B.S. Murty who is also mentor director of IIIT RAICHUR addressed us and filled our mind and heart will energy and zeal. Also, our Nodal officer for EBSB Dr. Diddi Kumara Swamy acknowledged IIIT Raichur and IIT Hyderabad for such an amazing hospitality! He along with Dr. Mukesh Mann on the behalf of the Whole IIIT Sonepat family invited IIIT Raichur for a short visit to our campus in near future.





Also, How can this exchange program end without learning about their festivals and traditions! So, on the last day all of us got dressed up in our traditional attires and celebrated Bathukamma festival. After that we had a food festival, and trust me Hyderabadi biryani was really yum!





So, that's how our five day trip to Hyderabad went! Here is a glimpse of closing ceremony of EBSB exchange program!



This 5 day EBSB exchange program enabled the students of both the institute to make friends having different culture and this small friendship is indeed a big step towards national integrity and a Shreshtha Bharat!