St. Vincent Pallotti College of Engineering & Technology
STUDENT AFFAIR & DEVELOPMENT CELL
Session 2019-20
VISIT REPORT
Visit to Gandhi Institute for Technology, Bhubaneshwar, Odisha under Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat – Government of India initiative with All India Council for Technical Education

Date of Visit : 17th February to 21st February 2020
No. of students : 29 (Twenty Nine)
No. of Faculty Members : 02 (Two) (Prof. M. B. Gudadhe, Prof. Trivelli Naidu)

The details about the visit are as follows :

Day 1 : Monday 17th Feb 2020

- The group of 29 students along with 2 faculty from St. Vincent Pallotti College of Engineering & Technology, Gavsi Manapur, Nagpur, Maharashtra visited the paired institute Gandhi Institute for Technology, Gangapada, Bhubaneshwar, Odisha under Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat – Government of India initiative with All India Council for Technical Education.
- The students were received and traditionally welcomed by Students and staff members of GIFT, Bhubaneshwar.
- After registration, the inaugural ceremony was conducted in presence of Dr. Surekha Sundari Swain, State Nodal Officer for EBSB, Odisha and Dr. Pravat Kumar Subudhi, Principal, GIFT. The motive of EBSB program is shared by Dr. Swain and Dr. Subudhi shared his experiences about Nagpur and Maharashtra.
- Prof. Amitav Saran, SPOC, EBSB, GIFT briefed about the program and schedule for next five days. GIFT students presented a traditional song and dance along with a presentation on Odisha culture and GIFT.
- All visitors were allotted with a student Buddy for further care and guidance and visited the campus to understand the infrastructure and facilities in GIFT.
Day 2 : Tuesday 18th Feb 2020

- The students attended classes of respective branch & year for three hours with a motive of understanding the academic practises, meeting the students and interaction.
- Post lunch, visitors visited Tribal Museum where they got acquainted with the tribal cultural about of different tribes like Kotia, Bonda, Gandia, Jatapu,Khond,Koli, Lodha,Mundari etc. Information regarding their beliefs, deity, attire, ornaments, food, hunting and households was received by the visitors.
- After that visit to Shanti Stupa, Dhauli was paid to know about the history of Kalinga War, Samrat Asoka and Daya river. Later Raja Rani Temple was visited and enjoyed the beauty of the place.
- Students also visited local market for purchasing merchandise representing Odisha culture.

Day 3 : Wednesday 19th Feb 2020

- Early morning, journey to Konark Sun Temple started. During the visit the students learned about the historical and architectural aspects of the Sun temple through information disseminated by GIFTians and the Konark Museum. After that the journey on the Marine drive to Puri was enjoyed by everyone. This reflects the commitment of Govt. of Odisha towards the development for tourism promotion.
- Next was the Lord Jagannath Darshan in Puri Temple. It was a great spiritual experience for all of us. The visit to Sacred Kitchen and other small temples in the Mandir premises
was paid to understand the importance and sacredness of Lord Jagannath. The visitors also witnessed the Sacred Pataka (Flag) changing ceremony in the temple.

- The students also benefitted with the Mahaprasad in the Puri Temple. Also seen the Arunostambh (Sun Pillar) which was established by Maratha Rulers by shifting it from Konark.
- The visitors enjoyed evening at the Golden Sea Beach and also seen the Swarg Dwar and came to know about the history of Sri Chaitanya Mahaprabhu.

**Day 4 : Tuesday 20th Feb 2020**

- In the pre lunch session the Maharashtra students visited the nearby village Pitapalli along with the NSS students of GIFT. There students conducted a Cleanliness Drive under Swachh Bharat Abhiyan and Village living Survey under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan.
- Visitors also interacted with the villagers to understand the living and culture of the villages in Odisha also the efforts taken by GIFT college and Govt. of Odisha to improve their life standards.
- Maharashtrian students enjoyed the Odiyan delicacy DAHI PAKHALA in the lunch.
- Post lunch , SVP CET students participated in the Hobby Classes conducted by GIFT college which is the unique feature practised by GIFT.
- SVP CET students then interacted with Honourable Director of GIFT Mr. Patit Paban Panda. Mr. Panda shared the practises by GIFT college and also asked for the suggestion from the SVP CET students in comparison with their college. He also shared few historical, social and spiritual aspects about Odisha with the gathering.
- Later the visitors visited the Bhubaneswar town and Esplande Mall which symbolizes the growth of the city towards the Smart city goal.
Day 5 : Friday 21\textsuperscript{st} Feb 2020

- This was a concluding day in which pre lunch session was a gathering in which some games were played. Students also prepared the report regarding the complete visit. Also a presentation about Odisha and the visit was shown and a small quiz was conducted.
- Post lunch, the valedictory function was arranged in presence of Guests of honor Mr. Suresh Chandra Mantry, Smt. Sarita Patel and Mr. Samir Ranjan Panda. Guests shared his views about the EBSB programme and Principal Dr. Subudhi briefed about the conduction of whole visit.
- The Maharashtra students also performed Dance and Songs representing the culture from Maharashtra.
- The SVPCET students and Faculty members shared their experiences in Odisha and GIFT people which was great tour and experience.
- Post Dinner, Students from Maharashtra departed to Nagpur for the return journey.

This is a great initiative by GOI and AICTE, which is making aware about each other’s culture and traditions. The Gandhi Institute for Technology took a great effort in making the event successful. The preparations, enthusiasm and arrangements were very good and the stay was conformable. They also provided a good transport facility for our travel to various places.

The GIFT students were very cooperative and caring which made SVPCET students very comfortable and friendly. The Principal Dr. Subudhi, Registrar Prof. Vivek Sharma, Prof. Sujit Panda, HoD(CSE) Prof. Amitav Saran and faculty members were very enthusiastic to help and guide in every aspect of the visit. Overall it was a successful and fruitful visit to fulfil the motive of EBSB.