Brief Activity/Event Report

1. Name of the Activity/Event : Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB) Activity - Lecture programme to talk about Odisha’s culture, history and tourism.


3. Nature of Participants : 31 NSS volunteers and seven students.

4. Number of Participants : 38

5. Student Coordinator : Mr. Vedesh Nadar, computer sem 3.

6. Staff Coordinator : Mrs. Smita Hande (EXTC dept) and Mr. Abhishek S. (Electrical dept.)

6. Brief Summary of the Activity/Event (in maximum 500 words):

a. Objectives :
   i. To CELEBRATE the Unity in Diversity of our Nation and to maintain and strengthen the fabric of traditionally existing emotional bonds between the people of our Country;
   ii. To SHOWCASE the rich heritage and culture, customs and traditions of either State for enabling people to understand and appreciate the diversity that is India, thus fostering a sense of common identity

b. Technical Description :
   A lecture was organised by the EBSB unit of FCRIT on December 10, 2019 to share information regarding the pair-state ‘Odisha’ according to the Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat’s activity calendar. Our host welcomed the guest lecturer, Ms. Nishan Patnaik. Ms. Patnaik is from the EXTC dept. of our college and is affiliated to the state of Odisha. She started her lecture by asking students about their native places and concluded the diversity of Mumbai as students from different states were present.
   A questionnaire by the lecturer, at the start of the session, disclosed that the students knew about the capital of Odisha, Bhubaneswar and the Jagannath Padhyatra only. In
short, the students were not aware of Odisha’s culture and importance. With the help of a presentation, the lecture was carried out. The presentation had a variety of slides with photos of Jagannath, the guardian of Odisha, dancers, the saree with ikat pattern, their food and various places. It also had information jotted in bullet points to help throughout.

Certain picturesque slides depicted the beautiful Odissi dance form with dancers wearing traditional cotton drapes. To put light upon the origins of the culture, the geography of Odisha was shared to point how the surrounding states, especially Bengal influenced Odisha’s culture and food. Facts about the Jagannath temple, one of the Dhaams in the Char Dhaam yatra were shared. The geography was accompanied by a thorough discussion of its history, where the past rulers and influencers of the culture were mentioned. The lecture was spiced up with a discussion on food where the local dishes’ names and photos were shown. At last, the tourist attractions like Rath yatra, Puri sea beach, Konark sun temple (One of the seven wonders of the world), Chilika lake, and Hirakud dam (the largest dam in Asia) were mentioned. Apart from that the wildlife of Odisha was also briefly talked about at the end of the lecture.

c. Outcomes: Students learned about the diversity of Mumbai and the rich culture and history of Odisha also its tourist attractions.

d. Summary of Feedback: Few questions on Odisha history, culture and tourism were asked to students by sending online link. Where most of the students could answer all questions.

e. Action to be Taken based on Feedback: The feedback have been noted for further improvement.
7. Activity / Event Photograph :

NSS student introducing the Guest  
Ms. Nishan Patnaik introducing the banner  
Invited talk on Odisha history  
Invited talk on Odisha culture and tourism

Mrs. Smita Hande  
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To

Ms. Nishan Patnaik
Assistant Professor (EXTC Dept.),
Fr. C R I T, Vashi
Navi Mumbai.

Subject: Appreciation Letter

Dear Madam,

We are thankful to you for sparing your valuable time and delivering a talk on the topic, “Odisha history, culture and tourism” for our students organized by the Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat Unit under NSS of Fr. C.R.I.T., Vashi, Navi Mumbai on 10/12/2019.

Looking forward to more such interactions with you in future as well.

Thanking you,

With warm regards,

Yours truly,

[Signature]

Smita Hande
NSS Program Officer
Fr C R I T, Vashi

Date:

January 08, 2020