REPORT ON SHANTINIKETAN- AN EXCURSION CUM LEARNING TOUR

Chandigarh - Manali - Dharamshala – Dalhousie - Amritsar

07-17 FEBRUARY, 2020

The Institute organized Shantiniketan- an Excursion Cum Learning Tour to Chandigarh - Manali - Dharamshala – Dalhousie - Amritsar from 07-17 February, 2020. 57 students of various PG programs accompanied by four faculty members and one staff member. Dr. Vipin Choudhary, Dr. Sopnamayee Acharaya, Dr. Shailshri Sharma, Prof. Pranay Karnik and Mr. Devendra Sen visited the beautiful places of Manali, Amritsar and Dalhousie, India.

February 7-8, 2020 - Chandigarh

The students gathered at Indore railway station and boarded train from Indore to Ambala at 12:30 pm. The group reached Ambala at around 8.30 am on February 8, 2020 and Proceed towards Chandigarh. After taking breakfast and rest till lunch group visited Rock Garden and Sukhna Lake. The group started for Manali from Chandigarh by Bus and traveled after dinner and reached Manali at 9 am on February 9, 2020.

February 9-11, 2020 – Manali

After lunch at 2:30pm the group proceeds to visit the local places of Manali by local vehicles. Everybody enjoyed the shopping at Mall road of Manali on Feb 9, 2020 evening. On Feb 10, 2020 after breakfast the group proceeds to visit Sholang Valley. Students enjoyed ice and various adventures activities in Sholang and returned back to hotel by evening. A bonfire with light music has been arranged in the resort along with dinner. After dinner, the students rested overnight in the hotel.

February 11-12, 2020 – Dharamshala

March 13, 2020 – Dalhousie

After morning breakfast at hotel the group proceed to visit Khajiyar, place which is termed as mini Switzerland of India. Students spent two/three hours and enjoyed the beauty of that place. Students also enjoyed snow activities, horse riding and many more games. Returned from Khajiyar and took rest with dinner at hotel. On 14 Feb after breakfast students went for shopping at Tibet market in Dalhousie which is very famous market in India. After Lunch the group proceeds for Amritsar by road which is 3 to 4 hours journey from Dalhousie.

March 14-15, 2020 – Amritsar

The group reached at Amritsar hotel by late evening on 14 Feb 2020. Students enjoyed a DJ night at Hotel along with their dinner. After morning breakfast on 15 Feb 2020 the group visited World famous Golden temple and got the opportunity to have Prashad there. The group also visited Wagha Boarder to watch retreat parade by BSF jawans of India. Evening students enjoyed Shopping in Amritsar. On 15 Feb 2020, students boarded the train from Amritsar railway junction for Indore at 11:30 pm after dinner.

March 17, 2019 – Indore

The group arrived at Indore railway station at 3:00 a.m. Students booked rental auto and cars in groups and reached home safely.

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