



**A Report
On**

Yuva Sangam Phase 1

EK BHARAT SHRESHTHA BHARAT

Place: Nagpur, Maharashtra, India

Tour Duration: 20th – 26th February 2023

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**Report on the student exchange programme “Yuva Sangam” to Nagpur,
Maharashtra.**

IIIT Manipur was the nodal institute for the Student Exchange Program, YUVA SANGAM under the theme “Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat” with the support of Government of India. IIIT Nagpur, Maharashtra was the host institute. The selected students comprising 30th students from multiple colleges of Manipur actively participated in the program.

Faculty members who guided the tour:

- 1. Dr. Kishorjit Nongmeikapam (Nodal Officer)*
- 2. Dr. Rajshree Rajkumari*
- 3. Dr. Moirangthem Dennis Singh*

Name of the institutes and number of students present in the tour:

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| <i>1. Manipur Institute of Technology (MIT)</i> | <i>9</i> |
| <i>2. Dhanamanjuri University (DM)</i> | <i>7</i> |
| <i>3. Shree Shree Gourgobind Girls College</i> | <i>5</i> |
| <i>4. JCRE Global College</i> | <i>4</i> |
| <i>5. St. Joseph College Ukhrul</i> | <i>2</i> |
| <i>6. IIIT Manipur</i> | <i>1</i> |
| <i>7. IGNOU Imphal</i> | <i>1</i> |
| <i>8. Don Bosco College Maram</i> | <i>1</i> |

Preface

This report is a compilation of the events, places visited, and events in different areas from the 7 days special exposure tour to Maharashtra which was organized as a part of Yuva Sangam under the Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB) from 20 to 26 February 2023.

The Yuva Sangam Phase 1 is an initiative of Hon'ble Prime Minister to build close ties between the youth of North East Region and rest of India under the spirit of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat.

OBJECTIVES OF EBSB:

1. 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.
2. To PROMOTE the spirit of national integration through a deep and structured engagement between all Indian States and Union Territories through a year-long planned engagement between States.
3. 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.
4. TO ESTABLISH long-term engagements and,
5. TO CREATE an environment which promotes learning between States by sharing best practices and experiences.

The details of the events on a daily basis is given in the following sections.

Imphal, 20 February 2023: The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Manipur officially flagged off the students who will be visiting Maharashtra as a part of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat(EBSB) Yuva Sangam from his official residence.



'Chief Minister of Manipur Official Residence'

The students along with three staffs viz. Dr. Nongmeikapam Kishorjit Singh, Dr. Rajshree Rajkumari, Dr. Moirangthem Dennis Singh, departed at 3:20 pm from Manipur Airport by flight till Kolkata Airport.



"IMPHAL AIRPORT"

The team arrived at the Nagpur Airport at midnight round 11:30 pm where a warm welcome was offered and was received by Director O.G Kakde, Registrar Mr. Kailas Dakhale, Nodal Officer Dr. Kirti Dorshetwar and the whole team of IIT Nagpur, with garlands and roses later they took the team to their Guest House and was provided a light dinner.



‘Nagpur Airport’

DAY – 2

YUVA SANGAM, TOUR (EBSB).

Nagpur 21,feb,2023: The day started with a breakfast after which the team met the Hon’ble minister Shri Hon’ble Nitin Gadkari, Minister of Road, Transport and Highways. The team got a chance to interact with him in which he advice the team what need to be done and what are the things needed to be done such as innovative science and technology and also the use of raw materials such as bamboos in Manipur. Moreover, he also presented everyone of the team members a book which was written by he himself known as “Unmasking Of India” - Webinars for Atmanirbhar Barat



“ GROUP PHOTO ALONG WITH SHRI GADKARI”

Inaugural function : *The students head back to guest house for the lunch in the meantime the team had an inaugural function. The Director of IIT Nagpur formally welcome all the dignitaries present on the dais and also to all the delegates . He mentioned the significant of the Yuva Sangam and The heart of India i.e. Nagpur, He also brief the importance of EBSB which was follow by a words of appreciation from Dr. Nongmei kopam Kishorjit Singh and a message from the respected Chief Guest Shri Arvind Kumar Senior General Manager of Tata Motors Limited . He mentioned the challenges and the success of Tata motors company and suggested the needs to be followed in the future. And in the end a vote of thanks was presented by the faculty of IIT Nagpur, the function was concluded with a photo session.*





“Academic Block A “

“Nagpur City Tour”

The students got a chance to visit a popular various places around the city of Nagpur such as,

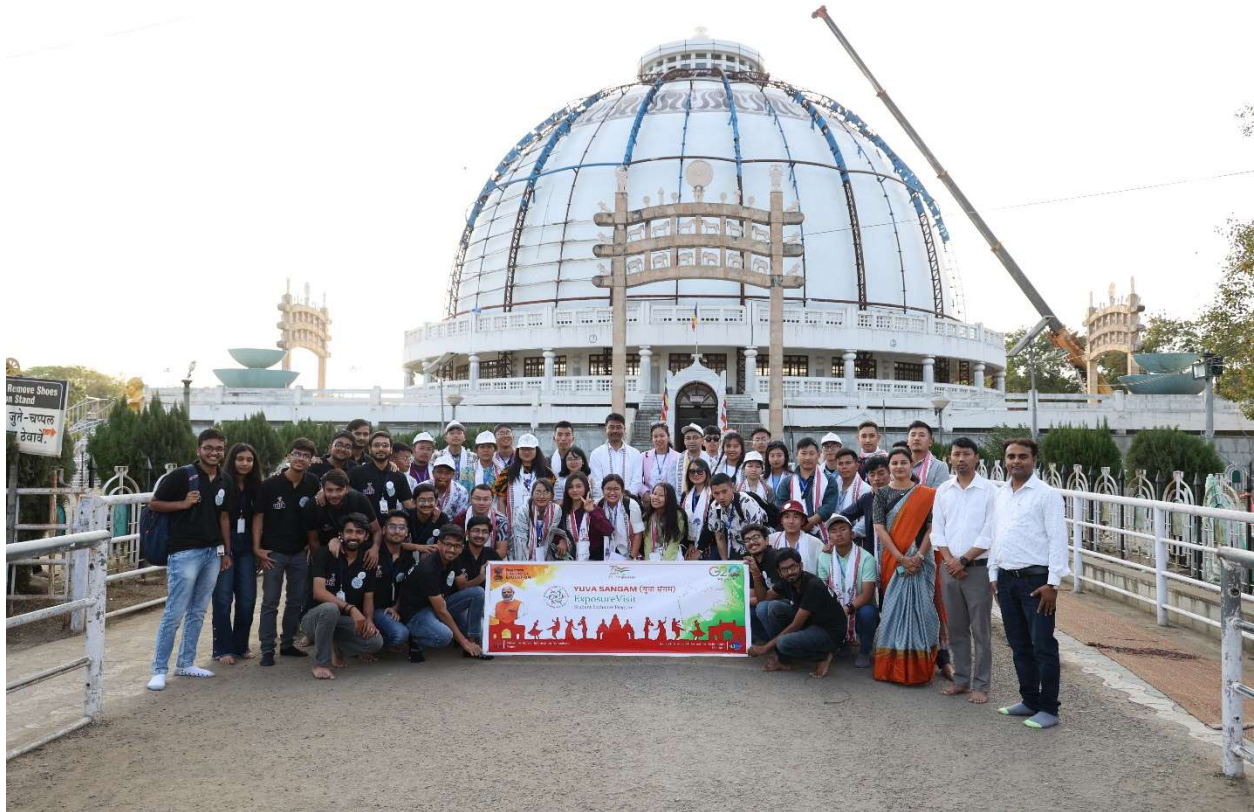
1)DEEKSHABHOOMI

2)ZERO MILES STONE AND

3)KORADI TEMPLES

1)Deekshabhoomi – It is a sacred monument also known as Dhamma Chakra Stupa, located about 5km southwest of Nagpur City. Deekshabhoomi is a historical place in India where about 6,00,000 people accepted Buddhism in a single instant on 14 October 1956 . The stupa was inaugurated on 18 December 2001 by the President of India , KR Narayanan .Dr. Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar , the father of the Indian Constitution , followed Buddhism and the stupa was built by the Ambedkar

Memorial committee as a memorial to the great statesman. His last religious act was the adoption of Buddhism. Deekshabhoomi is largest hollow stupa in the world.



“DEEKSHABHOOMI”

ii) ZERO MILE STONE– The Zero Mile Stone is a monument locating the geographical centre of British India in the city of Nagpur Maharashtra. Zero Milestone was installed in 1907 by the British who used this point to measure all distances. The monument consists of a main pillar made of sandstone, another smaller stone depicting the GST standard benchmark and four horses representing the four directions {North, South, East and West}. The height of the main pillar is 1020.171 feet above sea level.



“ Zero Milestone”

KORADI TEMPLE –Shree Mahalaxmi Jagdamba Mata Mandir, located on the banks of Koradi lake, about 15kms north of Nagpur, Maharashtra is an old historical temple dedicated to Goddess Mahalaxmi . There are around 51 “Shakti-Peeth” of Devi Jagadamba in India. The temple of Devi of Koradi Shri Mahalaxmi Jagadamba is considered as one of the Shakti-peeths. The temple complex is crowded by huge mass during nine days long Navratri festival . On these festive days, at the night more than 50,000 lamps were lighted at the temple premises. This is one of the “ Jagrut Devasthanam” in centre India.



“INSIDE AND OUT THE TEMPLE”

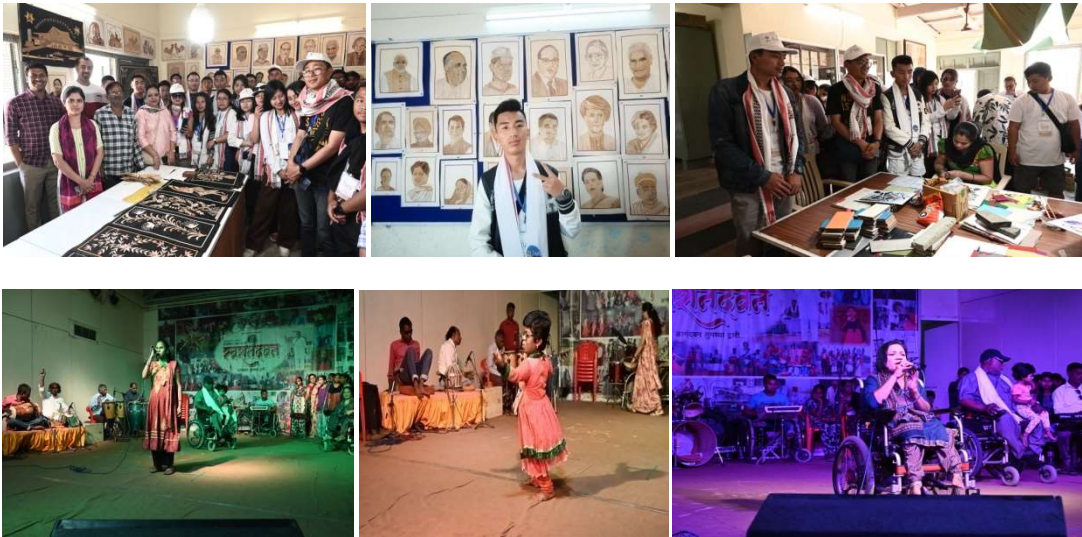
The tour was successfully constituent with a photo sessions in all the visited places to mark the occasions.

The first day of the program was concluded with a colourful dinner and the students departed to their own allowed dormitory.

DAY-3, YUVA SANGAM TOUR (EBSB)

Nagpur 22, Feb, 2023: The team started their day with a tea on a run way to Warora and had their breakfast there at 8:30am after which ,the team continue their journey to Anandwan.

Anandwan: literally means forest of happiness, it is an ashram and community for patients with leprosy, disability and downtrodden people. The community has several unique departments and a lot of talented individuals who are specialized at handicrafts, woodcrafts, cloth making, singing, dancing, playing musical instruments etc. Moreover the team got chance to see their performance.



“Arts and Cultural ,Special Able People”



The team left the Ashram and continued their journey to Wardha, the place called Mahatma Gandhi Research Centre.



“Bapu Kuti Research Centre”

The team again started their journey to Pench National park and the 2nd day was concluded with a dinner in Oriented Wood's Resorts and overnight stayed at the Resorts.



“Oriented Wood’s Resorts Pench”

DAY-4, YUVA SANGAM TOUR (EBSB)

Nagpur 23rd Feb 2023: The day was started with a light breakfast in the morning and the team left the Oriented Resorts to visit Pench National Park and reached the spot sat 6:30am. Then the team started their jungle safari where the team got the chances to witness the different species of flora's and fauna's in the park such as Monkey's, Deer's, Wild dog's, Ghost Trees, White-necked Stork's, Leopard, Peacock's, Spotted deer's, Sambar Deer's, Indian Gaur's, Dove's etc.



“PENCH NATIONAL PARK”

The team head back to their Resorts and in the meantime the team move out from the resorts and had their Lunch at Hotel Sai Sabri and the team reach IIT Nagpur at 4:20pm which was follow by a cultural feast where many items was presented such as Songs, Dances performed by the children from Ashram, Flute and also a Comedy by Devesh Dixit was presented. The 3rd day was concluded with a common dinner.



“CULTURAL FEAST”

DAY-5, YUVA SANGAM TOUR (EBSB)

Nagpur 24th Feb,2023. The 4th day of the tour was started with a heavy breakfast in the morning at 9:00am and the team moved out from IIIT Nagpur to visit Hindustan Computer Limited (HCL) at 10:00am and reached there at 10:40 am where the team are warmly welcome by the HR Manager of HCL Nagpur Ma'am Swarnalatha followed by a video presentation about the challenges and the growth of HCL Nagpur in the past days and the team also got chances to interact with Mr. Shailesh and his team.



“HINDUSTAN COMPUTER LIMITED”

The team head back to IIIT Nagpur at 1:15 pm and their lunch there and again started their journey to Nation Environment Engineer Research Institute -NEERI at 2:10pm and reached their destination at 2:45pm (NEERI) where the director of NEERI brief about the institution, he further advised the students to draw maximum benefits from the skill development program and he also make a video presentations regarding the growth and challenges faces and contributions towards the society, The team even got chance to interact with some Scientist and showcase the different research in which they were undergoing.



“NEERI Institution Nagpur”

The team left NEERI at 5:20pm to VR Mall and in the meantime the team head back to IIT Nagpur after which the team attended Abhivyaki at IIT Nagpur where the team got chance to meet a famous Bollywood film Director Mr. Vicky Sidana. The day was concluded with a heavy dinner at 9:00pm as usual.

DAY-6, YUVA SANGAM, EBSB

Nagpur 25th Feb, 2023: The final day of the tour was begin with a lunch at 9:30am and a cultural show was performed by the Students of IIT Nagpur which was followed by an Arts exhibition and a group photo session .



“Academic Block A”

The team went back to their guest house and had their lunch there at 2:30pm follow by a Valedictory programme at “Academic Block A”. The programme was conducted by the Hon’ble Chief Guest Dr. Bikash Mahatme, IAS Nodal Officer, Director of the IIIT Nagpur, the management committee and the faculty and students of IIIT Nagpur and IIIT Manipur. The Hon’ble Chief Guest appreciate all the participant for successfully completing the tour and also applauded by the Director of IIIT Nagpur and in the meantime the team are presented a memento and gifts. The tour was officially declared to be over.





“PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND MOMENTO”

In the evening the team performed Manipuri Cultural shows and was applauded by the management.





“Cultural Night”

The night concluded with a dinner and the team were presented a gifts from the Nodal Officer.

Day 7 of the tour: Departature.

Nagpur 26, Feb,2023: The team started their journey at 5:00 am to Nagpur Airport. At 7:40am the team moved out from Nagpur to Kolkata Airport and a return flight journey from Kolkata till Imphal where the team landed at 3:15pm.



The team were showered a warm welcome home with garlands by their parents, guardians, the faculties and the students of IIT Manipur at the Campus of IIT Manipur. Team had a closing ceremony at IIT Manipur Auditorium. Shri. Sandeep Datta DIG as the Chief Guest, and Prof. Krishnan

Baskar Director of IIIT Manipur, Dr. Moirangthem Dennis Singh, Dr. Nongmeikapam Kishorjit Singh, Dr. Rajshree Rajkumari as special guest along with the parents and students of IIIT Manipur. The team started their programme with the National Song followed a words of welcome presented by the Director of IIIT Manipur. Shri . Sandeep Datta DIG the chief guest appreciated the team in his talk and followed by the certificated distribution to all the participants. The team also got chances to delivered some feedback to the crowd about the tour and finished the programme with the National Anthem.



“Valedictory Programme at IIIT Manipur”

The Student Exchange Programme, Yuva Sangam, Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat IIIT Manipur was declared to be over and the team departed to their own residence.

Feedback from one of the participants on the significance of the tour:

Student: Daikho Hriiyio

College: Don Bosco College, Maram, Manipur

Q. How Ek Bharat is truly a Shreshtha Bharat? And my learning from YUVA SANGAM tour .

***How EK Bharat is truly a Shreshtha Bharat?**

Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat was launched on 31st October ,2 015 on the occasion of the 140th birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India. The Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat programme, aims to actively enhance interaction between people of diverse cultures living in the different States and communities in India, with the objective of promoting greater mutual understanding amongst them. As per the programme , each year and every state would be paired with another State in India for reciprocal interaction between the people . It is envisaged through this exchange, that the knowledge of the language, culture, tradition and practices of different states will lead to an enhanced understanding and bonding between one another, thereby strengthening the unity and integrity of India.

Therefore, India is unity in Diversity which makes India a great country and also it is a unique land of vibrant colours, breath-taking landscapes and rich history. India is unlike any others, it is a diverse country with all the major religions of the world , Highest number of official languages , world's largest Postal Network and Sovereign Socialist Secular Democratic Republic with a Parliamentary system of the Government. Ek Bharat or One Nation promote the spirit of national integration, showcase the rich heritage and culture, customs and traditions of either state for enabling people to understand and fostering a sense of common identity. India is the land that all men desire to see, and this make India a Shreshtha Bharat as Mahatma Gandhi (Bapu) once said "A nation's culture resides in the hearts and in the soul of its people".

YUVA SANGAM tour is a set of activities in which the team individuals engage on their personal terms, such a pleasant and memorable places. Allowing us to

build their own travel experience so that it satisfy a wide range of personal needs from pleasure to search for meaning.

Some important benefits which I personally learned from the tour are:-

1. It helps me in adding more value to lives by inspiring new forms of artistic expressions.
2. It expose me to historical and cultural wealth spanning centuries, encompassing small towns, unique rituals and interactions with locals.
3. It helps me to influenced the foods through various ways such as tradition, religion, beliefs and as ones as a family.
4. It helps me to integrates into another culture without losing its identity.
5. It allows me to visit and pay homage to certain historical places, holy Shrine, temples and Ashram.
6. It allows me to understand the health and hygiene and the ways of living.
7. It helps me to understand the environment, the challenges, the outcomes and how to resolve and overcome it.
8. It allows me to integrate memories and emotions related to the destinations visited.
9. It offers me great opportunities for emerging economies, social responsibility and development.
10. It helps me in promoting tolerance between people and better understanding each other's cultures.
11. It allows me to visit the wildlife destinations and helps me in contributing the conservation and improved of the conditions for the wildlife.
12. It helps me in connecting new people's and helps me to adjust the new ethics and environments.
13. It helps me in breaking down of cultures barrier and build bridges, by learning how to appreciate and respect those person different from me.
14. It offers me in all classes of knowledge and opportunity for rich immersion experience.
15. Lastly, it allows me understand the value, importance and benefits of cultures, traditions and the challenge faces towards it.

MY EXPERIENCE FROM YUVA SANGAM TOUR:-

Flag off ceremony÷ It's great pride and honour to get a flag off from the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Manipur Shri Biren Singh. And also it was my first experience

receiving a token (shawl) from him which is beyond my expectations and its totally great which create a memorable ones.

Air travel ÷ Indeed I was so excited as the flight was on time and I had the window seat. I was ready and waiting for the take off. Before take off pilot was introducing himself and wish us a happy journey then after air hostess tell us about safety rules. Both introductory session was in Hindi and English So it was easy to understandable.

Meeting famous personalities÷ Worths meeting various resource persons and a person who knows a lot about a particular subject, and an employed who perform the task to provide us knowledge and update information such as from Shri Hon'ble Nitin Godkari Minister of Road and transport, Dr. Bikash Mahatma, Devesh Dixit (Comedian), Shri Sandeep Datta DIG, Ma'am Swarnalatha and Vidga Shankar etc.

NAGPUR TOUR and SIGHTSEEING.

DEEKSHA BHOOMI- Deekshabhoomi has beautiful stupa surrounded by manicured gardens, commemorating the conversion of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's conversion to Buddhism at this place in 1956. Inside the stupa, there is a peaceful statue of Lord Buddha at the centre and large space to meditate with several pillars.

Zero Mile Stone÷ This place is located just beside a signal. Parking could be problematic. The place is a tourist attraction which also attract. They have build a Nagpur Metro promo next to this place where the team can get a feel of metro in a steady metro boggy.

Koradi Temple÷ Located about 15 kms. From Nagpur a very live Devi temple near Nagpur which is now being developed as 'A' grade tourist centre by the Government. Therefore the Surrounding, Atmosphere, and Aarti is attractive part also the backside view of temple is quick awesome.

Ashram ÷ Anandwan which laterally means forest of happiness . In 1949 Amte founded Anandwan, an ashram dedicated to the treatment, rehabilitation, and empowerment of leprosy patients .

Anandwan is a place that is always open to all races and faiths. It doesn't practice discrimination and welcomes the visitors throughout the year. It was impressive that they possess many department where special Able people work and earn their leaving.

BAPU KUTI ÷ Bapus punch line reflects in the Bapu Kuti. The surrounding looks so clean and the team are amaze. More over it is Peaceful and a green place which offer me the mental peace and green pure air to purify my soul, my mind, and as well as my body.

PENCH NATIONAL PARK ÷The jungle safari is one of my most memorable moments. I was so delight to witness the wildlife moving out freely in a protected reserve park such as Bengal Tiger, Ghost Trees, Leopard, Spotted deer, Peacock', Sambar deer's, Indian Gaur's, Dove's, White-necked Stork's etc.

HINDUSTAN COMPUTER LIMITED :- HCL Technologies has very nice and comfortable environment , I was amaze with the resources they provided .Moreover the HR of HCL Ma'am Swarnalatha explained the challenges faces by the company and how to overcome it she further constituted the criteria and qualification to become a HR manager and thus she became my role Model.

NEERI INSTITUE: -National Environmental Engineering Research Institute strives to achieve excellence and continual improvement through activities leading scientific and technological innovation ,sharing knowledge and expertise for enabling government, industry, and society to improve quality of environment . therefore on my visit to NEERI I became more aware of Global Warming and the need to studies of Environmental Studies (EVS), also I became more aware on conservation of water's which make me to put in practice.

CONCLUSION:- Culture refers to the symbols, language, beliefs, values, and artifacts that are part of any society. Therefore, the cultural exchange programme is scheme that offers Indian students and professionals working in the society to travel and learned nation. This scheme promote respect and understanding for other cultures hence it promotes cultures to flourish in their diversity cross cultural skills in a globalized world.

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