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## AN EDUCATIONAL EXCURSION FROM GOVERNMENT TRAINING COLLEGE ,HOOGHLY

### **“In the woods of Buxa situated on the banks of Jayanti (Murti)”**

Hooghly, June – 03, 2023 : - Every year Government training college, Hooghly organizes a tour to a tourist spot only to make the students familiar with the unknown. Last year the College authority decided to arrange a tour to New Alipurduar .

So, for this as a transport Silchar Special train decided by the College authority. A team of 45 students two senior Professors namely Prof. Nagarjun Bharadwaj and Prof. Dr.Baishali Basu and two non teaching staff went to visit the New Alipurduar region on dated May – 26, 2023. It was 5 day's trip from 26.05.2023 to 31.05.2023.



First of all an dated 26<sup>th</sup> may, Friday we all met at Bandel Station. The train (Silchar Special) arrived Bandel Station at around 7:10 pm. The journey took about 12 hours time. It was a night journey and most of the students Were in engage of sleeping.



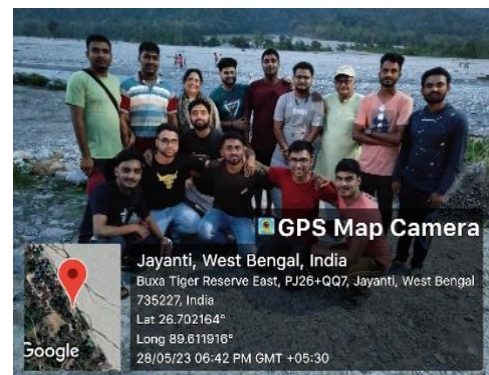
The train reached New Alipurduar Station at 7:30 am on next day. From the Station we all started our journey towards previously booked homestays by Car. Four homestays were previously booked for this requirement. After all we reached at our destination “Altapori homestay”. After arriving there we all divided into four homestays to take rest. Thereafter talking tiffin at “Altapori homestay” we all started our journey to visit “Buxa fort” first. It was a beautiful journey. We started our tracking to visit “Zero point”. Once we reached Buxa there was no mobile connectivity. By tracking we all reached at “Zero point”. It’s an outstanding place. Overall view from “Zero point” was amazing. Then we all started with enthusiasm towards Buxa fort. After long time we reached there. At the entrance of the fort two letters were there engraved in a pillar – first one – letter from the prisoners to the Nobel Laureate Rabindranath Tagore and the second one – reply of Tagore to the prisoners. The route of Buxa fort was very adventures towards me. We all had known about buxa fort. This fort used to a high security prison and detention comp in 1930s ; it was the most notorious and unreachable prison in India after the Cellular jail in Andaman. After spending amazing time there we went back to the starting point of tracking. Then by car we went back to our home stays. Then we had our lunch at “Altapori home stays”. After that we stayed at our selected home stays to take rest. The first day was followed in this adventures way.



Next day on dated 28<sup>th</sup> may, we had decided to visit Buxa Tiger Reserve Forest. It was three times journey /trip. Students were divided into three groups to visit the forest in different times. First group was visited in early morning. Second group was started their journey at afternoon, it was not the right time to visit forest become we didn’t see any animal in that time for it was the time for rest of the animals. Forest guides took the responsibility to make “Jungle Safari” by their forest Jeep. The third trip was successful, they were very fortunate because many forest animals were seen in that time around 4:30 pm. They saw Bison, Leopard, Forest Deer etc. Whatever it was a good safari. The small of jungle was very different. We all enjoyed that green, dark forest journey.



The third day, on dated 29<sup>th</sup> may, it was pre scheduled to visit “choto mahakal” temple. After having our breakfast we were prepared to go to visit that temple. The guide took responsibility of ours. The journey was also very interesting, it’s a different kind of journey to me. The whole journey was through the Jayanti riverbed. That time Jayanti river was dry. We all enjoyed this journey. By Jeep we reached at “Choto mahakal” temple. It is a popular pilgrimage site, situated close to Bhutan border, the Cave house, a temple dedicated to Lord Shiva. There stalactite caves were fascinating in this structure and form. The way to reach the cave was very adventures. There was a natural formation in that place. We all enjoyed that very much. Jayanti river was full of Water infront of “Choto Mohakal”. The beauty of that surroundings was unbelievable. It was dangerous beauty. All the students took bath in the River. After that we all went back to our home stays abd had our lunch. That day was also very memorable to us because of a mesmerized cultural evening. On that day teachers and guides of “Altapori homestays” collaboratively organized a cultural evening at that homestay. Teacher and student took part of that cultural programme. There were some events like song, recitation, mimicry etc. The host of the programme Rajdeep felicitated our College with “Memento” and with lots of love and good wishes. That beautiful evening made me very happy.



The last and final day of our excursion, on dated 30<sup>th</sup> may. In the meaning we all packed our luggage, after that we had our breakfast as usual. On that day we visited “Madan mohan temple”, “ Rajabhatkhawa museum” and “Coachbihar Rajbari”. After visiting all the places we had our lunch in a hotel. Then the tourist guides see of us to “New Alipurduar” station by car. This whole trip was very memorable for us. We had started our journey to come back home/hostel with the train “Padatik Express”.



After ending the tour we all returned home/hostel safely next day. We all not only enjoyed that days but also get much knowledge from this educational tour. We are thankful to our College authority to make us happy with this beautiful education tour.



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