

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY AND TOURISM

Department Activities

Temple Visit- 18/04/2018

The II B.A History and Tourism students visited Tirusulam temple, on part of a awareness programme in the preservation and Conservation of temples, organized by Tamil Nadu State department of Archaeology, Egmore, to celebrate world Heritage day on 18/04/2018.

INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY CELEBRATION-20.06.2108

Yoga in daily life is a system of practice consisting of eights levels of development in the areas of physical, mental, social and spiritual health. When the body is physically healthy, the mind is clear, focused and stress is under control. The main goals of yoga in daily life and physical Health, Mental Health, Social Health, Spiritual Health, Self-Realization or realization of divine within us.

Today, yoga is practiced various forms around the world and continues to grow in popularity. Recognizing its universal appeal, on 11th December 2014, the UNO proclaimed 21st June as the International Day of Yoga by resolution No.6a/131. The International Day of Yoga aims to raise awareness world wide of the many benefits of practicing yoga.

The Department of History and Tourism, SDNB Vaishnav College for Women (Autonomous), Chromepet, Chennai-44, celebrated International Yoga Day Along with India Tourism, Govt. of India, Chennai on 20.06.2108. Seminar and Demonstration on yoga was arranged to create awareness among the students. India Tourism provided T-Shirts, Caps, Standees and Yoga mats for the demonstration by the students.

FIELD VISIT REPORT - 4/09/2018

The students of History and Tourism have 'Archaeology' as Elective paper in their fifth semester. In order to gain the practical knowledge about archaeological excavations, a group of 48 students of III B.A history and Tourism accompanied by 2 teachers made a field visit to an archaeological site located at Pattarai Perumputur, Tiruvallur District, Tamilnadu where excavation is being carried on .

The archaeological site is a habitation site which belongs to the later Sangam period. The historical importance of the place is established by the inscriptions found from the nearby Siva and Vishnu temples. The Director of the site Dr. Baskar explained about the method of excavations conducted and about the artefacts so far found in the site which is yet to be published. Their major findings

are a copper coin belonged to chola king Raja Raja I. The coin bore the name of Raja Raja I in Nagari script. He also showed us a pottery shred with Brahmi script. The conical jars, the ring wells (so far the largest one found in Tamil Nadu), the stone tools of microlithic age, Neolithic celts, Iron tools, Red ware pottery, Russet coated pottery, Black and Red ware, Roulette ware, pottery with graffiti marks, beads of different made, shell bangles, ivory comb of small size etc. were other important artefacts found so far in the site.

On 4/09/2018, the students started their trip from the college by 8.30 A.M and came back by 4.30 P.M

Sensitization Programme for College Students – Swachh Practices & its importance_ 18/09/2018

As you may be aware, Swachh Bharat Mission, basically a cleanliness drive initiated by Ministry of Urban Development, Govt. of India has been implemented from December 2014.

As a part of this activity, Swachhta Pakhwada is to be observed from 16th to 30th September 2018 by Ministry of Tourism, Government of India.

To implement this scheme in an effective manner, India Tourism is proposing to organize various events and programmes for students, Tourism Stakeholders, Cleaning activities in prominent areas in and around the city and other places.

In order to create awareness on cleanliness among the student community, The Department of History and Tourism, SDNB Vaishnav College For Women(Autonomous) along with India Tourism, Ministry of Tourism, Govt. of India organized a sensitization programme on “Cleanliness & its importance” for the students on 18/09/2018.

The programme is presided over by Ms.Durang Bose Mullick, Senior program associate, Women and tourism, from EQUATIONS, Bangalore. The Principal Dr. R. Geetha introduced the chief Guest Ms.Durang Bose Mullick and Ms. Latitha, Tourism Information Officer. The chief Guest Ms.Durang Bose Mullick delivered a speech on “Cleanliness & its importance” for the students. She insisted on the individual responsibility for keeping our earth clean. The students actively participated in the interactive session. Dr.J.R.Banumathi, Associate professor and Head, Department of History and Tourism, delivered the vote of thanks. The occasion was graced by Vice Principal Dr.R.Valarmathi.

T-shirts and Caps for the participating students were provided by India Tourism.

The department of History and Tourism conducted a workshop on Palaeography to commemorate the 50th Year Golden Jubilee of our college (SDNB Vaishnav College for Women (Autonomous), on 04/10/2018. The workshop was presided over by Dr. R. Sivananthan, Deputy Director, State Department of Archaeology, Government of Tamil Nadu. The workshop was held in two sessions. The first session began with welcome address by Dr. J.R. Banumathi, Associate Professor and Head, Department of History and Tourism. The Chief Guest Dr. R.Sivananthan spoke on the importance of inscriptions, their origin and development through the ages. Mrs. K.Bakyalakshmi, Epigraphist, State Department of Archaeology, Government of Tamil Nadu, took the lead in conducting the technical session in which the students learnt about the development of ancient scripts in India, especially the Brahmi script, Grantham and vattellutu. Also the students were trained in writing Brahmi script. On the whole the workshop benefitted the students by enriching their knowledge on archaic scripts.

The programme came to an end with vote of thanks rendered by Dr.S. Saraswathi.

Guest Lecture on Job Opportunities in Tourism Industry- 10.10.2018

The department organized a guest lecture on ‘Job Opportunities in Tourism Industry’ was organized for the benefit of third year students of History and Tourism, English and Economics. Vatsala Subramanian, Founder & CEO of Vatsala Tourism Academy was the chief guest and delivered the lecture.

INTERNSHIPS

The Second and Third year students in three different batches were sent for internship. One batch from III B.A. History and Tourism went to Tamil Nadu State department of Archaeology, Egmore on a ten day Internship programme between 14/11/2018 to 23/11/2018.

Two students from III B.A. History and Tourism had been sent to Balmer Lawrie & Co Ltd., (A Govt. of India Enterprises) to get hands on training in the Travel industry for one month between 19/11/2018 and 18/12/2018.

Students from II B.A. History and Tourism went to India Tourism for internship (from 14/11/2018 to 23/11/2018) to know about tourism industry.

STUDY TOUR TO HYDERABAD -1/2/2019 - 4/2/2019

The students of III B.A. History and Tourism were taken on a three day study tour (from 1/2/2019 to 4/2/2019) to Hyderabad and visited Golconda Fort, Salar Jung Museum, Birla Mandir and Charminar.

MOU-26/2/2019

The department moved one step ahead by signing MOU on 26/2/2019 with prestigious Balmer Lawrie & Co Ltd ((A Govt. of India Enterprises) also credited with MINI RATNA Status by the Govt. of India. It was a moment of glory for the department by signing MOU with such an esteemed organization. It will benefit the students from getting hands on training in Travel industry and also give them preferential position in the job market ahead others.

ARCHIVES VISIT-27/2/2019

The III B.A. History and Tourism visited Tamil Nadu State Archives as part of their curriculum activity on 27/2/2019.

CHENNAI TRIP-28/2/2019

On 28/2/2019, as part of their curriculum, the II and III B.A. History and Tourism were taken on a one day Chennai trip along with Nivedita, a Historian and Journalist who gave an insight into the historical importance of Chennai.

INTER-COLLEGIATE COMPETITION-15/03/2019

The department conducted Inter-Collegiate Competition on 15/03/2019. Dr. L.Selvanathan, Head and Associate Professor, Depart. of History, Loyola College was the chief guest for the Inauguration ceremony and for the valedictory Mrs. Moortheeswari, Superintendent Archaeology, ASI, Bangalore Circle, was the chief guest. Students from different city colleges enthusiastically participated in all the competitions.

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