SONARI COLLEGE DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

A Report on Field Trip to Jagannath Temple, Dibrugarh and Likabali, Arunachal Pradesh

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Introduction-

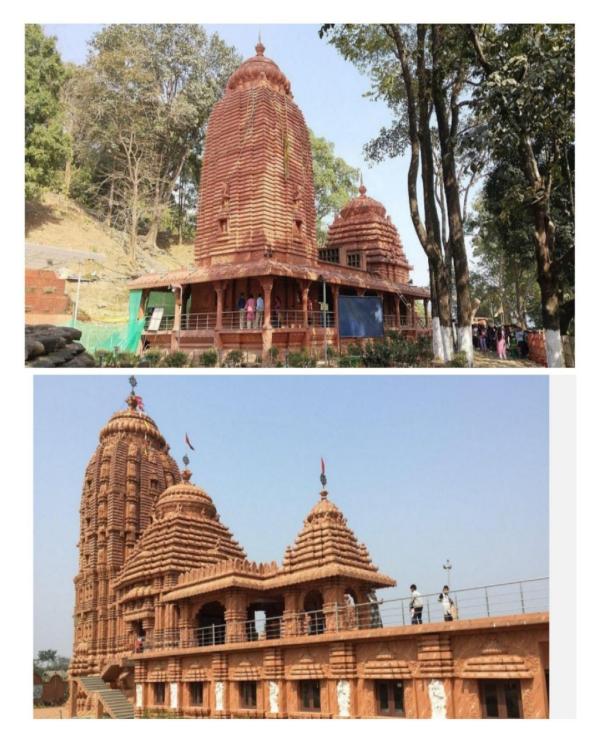
A field trip or excursion is a journey by a group of people away from the normal environment where the students can try new things and have different experiences. On 16th November, 2022, the B.A. 3rd Semester and 5th Semester students of Department of English, Sonari College accompanied by teachers of the department went on a trip to Jagannath Temple, Dibrugarh and Likabali, Arunachal Pradesh with an aim to explore the religious, cultural and natural beauty of Jagannath Temple and Likabali and also to study about the native people of Likabali. The journey began at 7 AM and we arrived there at about 11:30 AM. It was a one day trip. We also visited the temple Malinithan in Likabali.

Objective:-

The objective of this field trip is to gather first-hand knowledge regarding religious, cultural and environmental aspects of Jagannath Temple, Dibrugarh and Likabali, Arunachal Pradesh.

Field Observation -

The journey began at 7 AM in the morning by a bus, from our college, Sonari. At first we entered Jagannath Temple which is located in Dibrugarh, on our way to Likabali. We worshipped there, after worshipping we had our breakfast. About 11:30 AM we reached our destination, Likabali. After reaching there we discovered the natural beauty of the place. It is a beautiful place. Likabali, a town in the foothills, is the Headquarters of Lower Siang District of Arunachal Pradesh, India. The mountains, the hills, the greenery and the traditional culture of Arunachal Pradesh were indescribable. We met the local people of the place. We wore the traditional dress of Likabali and Arunachal Pradesh. From them we also came to know about their culture. We also went to Malinithan Temple, located at Likabali. It is a place of great devotion associated with the legend of Lord Krishna. According to mythology, Krishna and Rukmini stopped here from Bhismakaanagar to Dwarka and were lavished with flowers by Parvati. After this, we all had our lunch which was made by our cook. Our teachers also helped in preparing the meal for us. On our way back home, we stopped over the Bogibeel Bridge, the longest rail cum road bridge in India measuring 4.94 KM over the Brahmaputra River. The bridge has combined the northeastern Indian state of Assam between Dhemaji district and Dibrugarh district. It is the second longest rail cum road bridge of Assam.



MALINI THAN, LIKABALI (1st Photo)

JAGANNATH TEMPLE, DIBRUGARH (2nd Photo)

Outcomes -

Dibrugarh is a famous city in Assam and is very close to Arunachal Pradesh. One of its most spiritual temples is Jagannath Temple. The road leading to the temple was lush green and

quite smooth. Pooja materials are available in the shops just outside the temple. The Jagannath Temple of Dibrugarh is almost the exact replica of Puri's famous Jagannath Temple. The construction of this temple was started in 2013. We were lucky to view lord Jagannath. Apart from Jagannath Temple devotees can also visit Shiva Temple, Hanuman Temple, Shree Ram Temple, Ganesh Temple, Laxmi Temple and Bimla Temple. There is a place of worship for the devotees at the entrance of the temple.

Likabali, a town in the foothills, is the Headquarters of Lower Siang District of Arunachal Pradesh. The Northeast region of India is of great strategic significance due to its proximity to various national borders. Designed for better connectivity and communication, the tower ship development at Likabali, located at the Assam and Arunachal Pradesh, is a part of a larger plan to reinforce harmony in this remote urban context. As we have observed there that the people of Arunachal Pradesh speaks Assamese well. These show a pulchritudinous relation between Assam and Arunachal Pradesh.

Malinithan Temple is an archaeological site on the northern bank of the Brahmaputra River in the Indian state of Arunachal Pradesh that contains the ruins of an early medieval Hindu temple. It is located amid the foothills of the Siang hills, just a kilometer from Likabali. Divine pictures, deity iconography, animal patterns and floral decorations, and carved columns with panels can be seen in the ruins. The granite sculptures uncovered are believed to belong to the $14^{th} - 15^{th}$ century. These include Indra on Airavat, Surya (Sun God) on a chariot, Mayurasan (peacock – seat) with more than 100 Gods and Goddesses on it, and image of Nandi bull. There is also a Shivalinga built of phallic stone here. Malinithan temple is devoted to Goddess Durga. As per mythology, Lord Krishna kidnapped Rukmini, king Bhismaka's daughter, on the day of her marriage to Shishupal and stopped at the Malinithan temple for blessings.

We came to know about the religious significance of both the temples- Jagannath Temple and Malini Than. Apart from that we also learnt about the rich tribal culture of Arunachal Pradesh. We witnessed a cultural harmony among the people of Arunachal Pradesh and Assam in that particular place. The serene beauty of Likabali also gave us knowledge about the rich eco-system of that area.

Conclusion -

Our trip ended at about 5 PM. Our teachers toured all these places and also described about the places. We wrote down some points about this in our notebook. After that we took group photographs with all students and teachers. We came back after spending 6 hours there. The beautiful field trip gave us a lot of information and we enjoyed a lot with our teachers and friends in the trip. It can be concluded that the trip was successful and we believed that our objective was achieved. We learned something new which was beneficial for us.











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Permission Letter

As per application received from the 3rd Semester and 5th Semester Students of Department of English, Sonari College, the following students along with teachers of the department are hereby permitted to go on a field trip to Likabali, Arunachal Pradesh and Jagannath Temple, Dibrugarh on 16th November, 2022.

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