

**D.K.M. College for Women (Autonomous) Vellore-1  
PG & Research Department of History**

**Report on Tour to Hyderabad from 3.10. 2017 to 6.10.2017**

Department of history with 47 students of III B.A. accompanied by 5 staff Lt. Dr. A. Amirthavalli, HOD of History Department, Mrs. S. Jayanthi, Assist Prof. Of History, Mrs. J. Gayathri, Assist Prof. of History (unaided), Mr. Babu, Lab Assistant of Chemistry, Mr. Ramesh, Photographer went for an educational tour to Hyderabad for four days from 3.10.17 to 6.10.17. The name of the places we visited are Golconda Fort, Salar Jung Museum, Birla planetarium, Birla Mandir and Buddha Statue in Lumbini Park. We departed from our college by bus at 2.30. p.m. Then we reached Arakkonam Junction at 4.30.p.m. Later from there we went by Kachikoda Express Train. We reached Hyderabad next morning at 8.00a.m.

After making refreshment at Majestic Hotel in Nampalli and keeping our luggage's we went straight to Salar Jung Museum. It was established in 1951 in Dewan Deodi, the ancestral palace of the Salar Jungs an illustrious family who served as prime ministers to the Nizams, erstwhile rulers of Hyderabad. It has three blocks they are the main block, Eastern blocks and Western blocks. The entire collection which is a repository of art objects from nearly all over the world, right from Europe to the far eastern countries in Asia. It was very useful to the students. We spent nearly 4 hrs in museum.

Next we went to Lumbini Park to see Buddha Statue. There was a lake in the park. There is lot of amusement for children. Buddha statue was placed at the centre of the lake. So we went by boat to visit the Buddha statue. Thirdly we visited Birla planetarium there students enjoyed both video shows, one show was about astronomy and the other video was about under water species.

After Birla Planetarium we saw Birla Mandir, it was built by white marble. Lord Perumal statue was placed in the sanctum of the temple. Actually temple was built at the top of the hill. From there we could enjoy the beautiful night seen of the Hyderabad City.

Next day we visited Golconda Fort. It was built by the Kakatiya rulers, it was the capital of the Qutb shahi dynasty. The city and fortress were built on granite hill that is 120 meters high.

Finally we went to see Charminar by 1.00.p.m. It was constructed in the city of Hyderabad on the commencement of Islamic second millennium. This was the first day of first month of Muharram of 1000AH. This magnificent monument is beautifully adorned with different decorative stucco motifs. Embellished from bottom to the top, the beautiful floral patterns, different designs of niches, carved medallions, attractive floral ceiling. It was an Indo – Persian artistic creation.

It is under the custody of Archaeological Survey of India since 1951 as per the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act 1958 Rules 1959 and AMASR (Amendment & Validation) Act 2010 as per which whoever destroys, removes, injures, alters, defaces, imperils, or misuses a

protected Monument or removes any sculpture, carving, image, bas-relief, inscription or other like any act in intervention of the above Acts and Rules shall be punishable with imprisonment.

Student did shopping here. They purchased pearl jewels and leather items like hang bangs, sandal and purse. The history of pearls in Hyderabad is more than 400 years old, hence it is known as "City of pearls". It is said that pearls were showered on the people by the kings during the ceremonies as gifts. As the pearls does not require any sort of processing procedure, yet pearls are preferred over any other gems or diamonds.

After shopping near charminar our trip ended. We returned our state on 6.10.17. at 9.00 a.m. We had a safe journey, weather was also favorable to us. Above all God blessed us to enjoy this tour. This educational tour was really very enjoyable to the students. They could get lots of information regarding their subjects. We thank our Joint Director of Collegiate Education Vellore, our College Secretary and our Principal madam for given us permission to go for this educational tour.

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