

D.K.M. COLLEGE FOR WOMEN (AUTONOMOUS) VELLORE

'Heritage Walk 'on 25.07.2024

REPORT

The Department of History in collaboration with the Tourist Department of Vellore District, Government of Tamil Nadu organized a Heritage Walk on 25.07.2024 at 9.30 am in the historic Vellore Fort. A total of 104 students from I B.A & III B.A History, two faculty members Mrs. S. Jayanthi, Assistant Professor of History and Mrs. M. Vanitha, Assistant Professor of History and one Non -Teaching Staff participated in the Heritage Walk.

This programme was initiated by Thiru Ila Murugan, Vellore Tourism officer and other tourism officers. Thiru. Iyya Samy, tourism officer explained the strategic importance of the mountains surrounding vellore which were historically used as watch towers by ruling dynasties. These towers were constructed on hilltops and were manned by garrisons who guarded the city and issued warnings in case of any external invasions. Some of these towers are still visible atop the mountains standing as silent witnesses to the region's vibrant history.

Thiru. C. Sivakumar, Curator, Vellore District Museum guided the students through the museum housed inside the fort. Sir provided a detailed explanation of the artifacts and exhibits, which includes items from prehistoric, ancient and medieval periods as well as coins from ancient, medieval and East India Company eras.

By this heritage walk students came to know about the various historical buildings and historical events associated with Vellore Fort. Students were truly surprised and fascinated by the rich history shared with them.

Heritage walk served as a meaningful opportunity for the students to connect with the cultural legacy and historical architecture of Vellore. It not only enriched their academic knowledge but also deepened their appreciation for heritage conservation and tourism.

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Heritage walk was started in the Vellore Fort Campus with Tourism Department Staff Thiru Ila Murugan, Tourism Officer, Vellore.



Thiru Iyya Sami, Tourism Officer narrating the historical events happened in the Vellore Fort.