

**DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY  
HOLY CROSS COLLEGE, AGARTALA**

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To  
The Hon'ble Principal,  
Holy Cross College, Agartala  
Jubatara, 799210

Date: -13/12/2022

Subject: - Request to grant permission for the yearly mandatory departmental educational tour to a historical site of the state of Tripura on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2023 (Saturday).

Respected Father,

With due respect and humble submission, I would like to inform you that all the current three (3) semester History Honours students, along with the faculty members of the Department of History, are planning to visit the Bharat - Bangladesh Maitri Uddan, Bharabnagar, Chottakhola (Belonia), South Tripura, a historical site in the state of Tripura on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2023 (Saturday). The Department of History has a tradition of taking its History Honours students for a yearly mandatory visit to a historical site of the state of Tripura. Still, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the Department had to stop this exercise from an overall safety concern. As a result, none of the current semester's honours students of the Department was taken to any historical site of the state of Tripura as an extended curricular activity of the course. So, the yearly mandatory departmental educational tour is pending for all three current semesters. The Department feels that this is the right time in the post-Covid era to take all the Department's students for the yearly mandatory departmental educational tour.

The total number of students expected to visit the Museum would be (1<sup>st</sup> sem Hist. Hons – 40, 3<sup>rd</sup> sem Hist. Hons – 19 and 5<sup>th</sup> sem Hist. Hons – 17 = 76 [total]) and the four (4) faculty of the Department are also expected to accompany the students for proper guidance. So, the Department feels it would be great from the side of the college administration if two (2) college buses could be provided to take the 76 students and four faculty of the Department from the HCCA Jubatara campus to Bharat - Bangladesh Maitri Uddan, Bharabnagar, Chottakhola (Belonia), South Tripura on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2023 (Saturday) and back. The buses could leave the college campus at 6:00 AM for the Bharat - Bangladesh Maitri Uddan, Bharabnagar, Chottakhola (Belonia), South Tripura.

The whole Department extends a warm invitation to you, Father and Father Vice-Principal, to join the Department in this yearly mandatory departmental educational tour to the Bharat -

Bangladesh Maitri Uddan, Bharabnagar, Chottakhola (Belonia), South Tripura. We all feel that your gracious presence will enhance the overall happiness and satisfaction of the departmental educational tour.

Therefore, I humbly request you to permit the Department to visit the Museum and also look into the other necessities mentioned above to complete the visit successfully.

Thanking you,

yours faithfully,  
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1. The respected Vice-Principal and Administrator, ICCA, for kind information.

Approved  
*Bm*  
15/12/2022.



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## Report

### Departmental: Historical Educational Tour Bharat-Bangladesh Maitri-Udyan Study Tour

The first, third and fifth semester honors students of the history Department along with the four (4) faculty members of the Department went for a Educational Tour on 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2023 at the Bharat-Bangladesh Maitri Udyan, This place has a great significance in the realm of contemporary history, as this place initially [later turned into a tourist park] as one of the base camps used by the Bangladeshi Freedom Fighters at Chottakhola, from where they launched guerrilla operations against the Pakistani army in Chittagong, Comilla, and larger Noakhali.

The park was created at Chottakhola, close to the international border, as a memorial to the Indian soldiers and Bangladeshi Freedom Fighters who gave their lives in the Liberation War. On December 16, Bangladesh Victory Day, the memorial, and park were officially opened by former Tripura Chief Minister Manik Sarkar in the presence of Indian and Bangladeshi artists, academics, and independence warriors. On November 11th, 2010, the park's foundation stone was placed by Dipu Moni, who was Bangladesh's Education Minister at the time.

Famous artists from Tripura and Bangladesh contributed to the project and offered their works of art, including statues and paintings, to the memorial's appeal. The memorial park would teach Bangladesh's future generations about the history of their fought-for independence and how the two amicable neighbors collaborated to bring about the nation's founding. **A total of fifty-seven (57) students from the department has visited** the Maitri-Udyan to have/gather a firsthand experience on the contribution of Indian and Tripura in the liberation war of Bangladesh. The whole educational tour gave the students of the department a fulfilling satisfaction.





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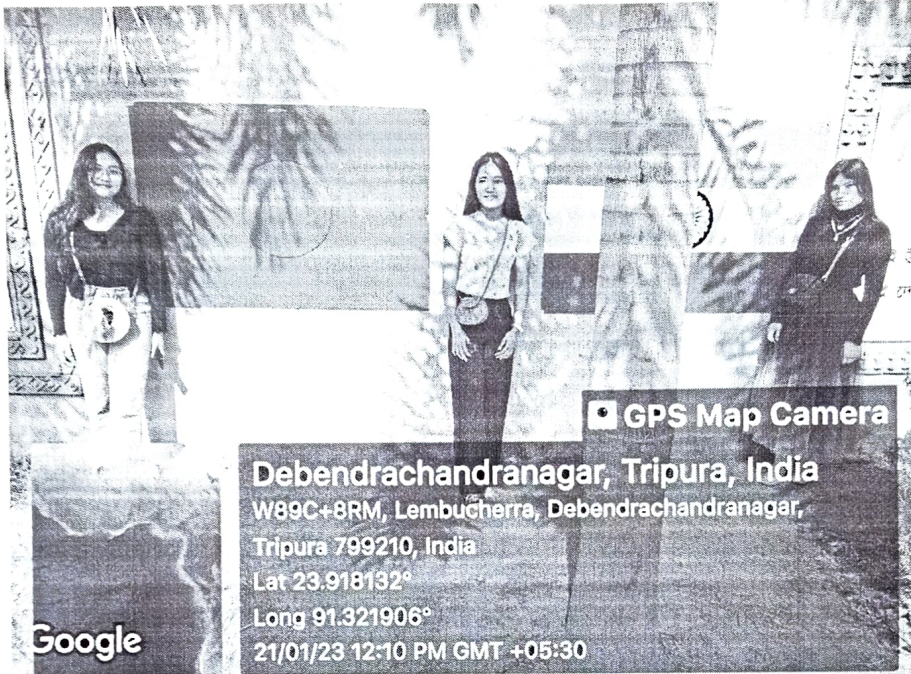
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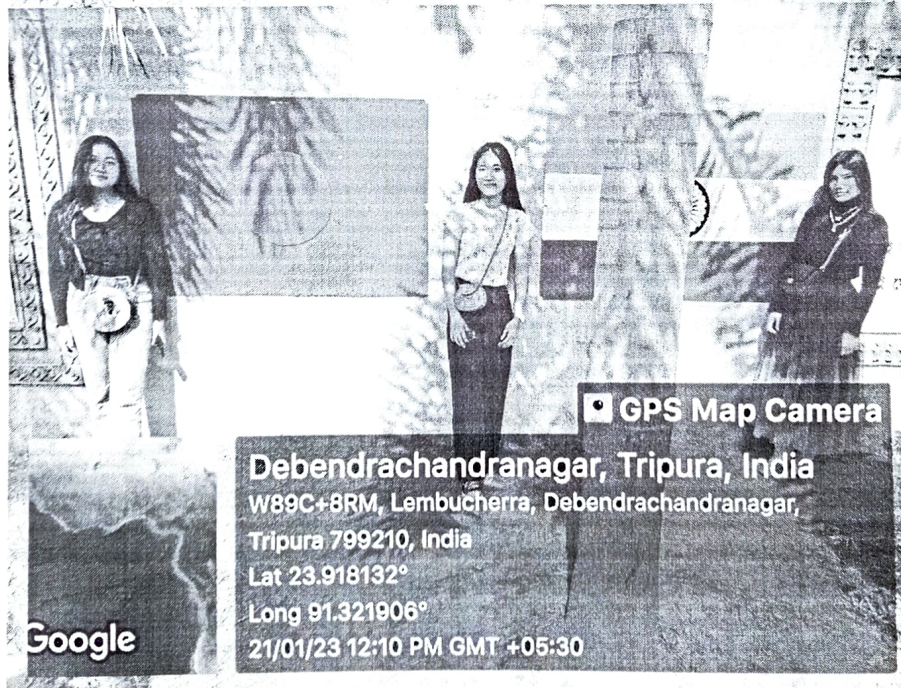
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