

Rayat Shikshan Sanstha's

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Department of English 2018-19

Field Visit to Mahabaleshwar for Interaction with Foreigners

Thursday, 14th March, 2019

Brief Report

Introduction

Mahabaleshwar is the only tourist place which attracts foreigners. The people from all over the globe visit this place daily. Department of English visited Mahabaleshwar as a part of field visit for interaction with the foreigners on Thursday, 14th March, 2019. One male and six female students were taken to the field visit. They were assisted by three faculties namely Dr. B. S. Lokde, Dr. S. G. Saykar and Mr. S. U. Kasgawde. We reached Mahabaleshwar by 11 am keeping the following objectives in mind.

Objectives

- To build confidence among the students while interacting with the outsiders and enhance their communicative capability.
- To acquaint students with the pronunciations of the foreigners.
- To build confidence among the students
- To make the students aware of the socio-cultural and educational environment in foreign countries through arranging interactions with the foreigners.
- To introduce students with report writing.
- To see the natural beauty and fauna of Mahabaleshwar

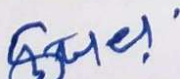
We visited the following points to explore the beauty of Mahabaleshwar. We also were in search of the foreigners for interaction and at last we got the two and our purpose of the visit was fulfilled.

Places/Points Visited

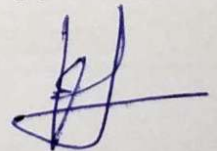
- **Pratapgarh Fort** is a famous in the history of Maharashtra where Afzal Khan, a Sardar of Bijapur was killed by Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. This is a place which stands for national integration because the tomb of Afzal Khan was built there by Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj for there was no enmity when a person dies.
- **Mahabaleshwar Temple** is dedicated to Lord Shiva Shankar. It is an ancient shrine. It is popularly known as Mahabali Temple. It is flocked by tourists and devotees throughout the year. The highlight of this temple resides in 1 500 year old. There is self originated Shivalinga which is said to be superior to the 12 Jyothi Lingams.
- **The Panchganga Temple** has the origin of five rivers viz. Krushna, Kaveri, Narmada, Venna, & Savitri. The specialty of this place is that the river Saraswati visits the temple once in 60 years and the river Bhagirthi visits after 12 years during the Kumbha Mela at Nashik.
- **Arthur's Seat** also known as the Queen of all points is situated at an elevation of about 4400 feet from the ground. It was named after Sir Arthur Mallet, a British Officer. It offers the most mesmerizing and fascinating view of the dense valleys of Brahma-Arayana and the Savitri river.
- **Tiger's Spring** is the natural thermal spring near River Savitri. It is believed to be infused with spiritual powers. Its located at a 10 minute walk away from the Arthur's Point. The shallow waters are ideal to experience and spend a solitary relaxing time amidst nature's gift.
- **Savitri Point** is a popular vantage point in Mahabaleshwar. It is one of the top places to visit. It ia popularly called as Suicide Point. This place is

known as the originating point of the beautiful river Savitri. The visitors can get an uninterrupted view of Savitri River and its valley.

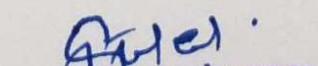
- **Elphinstone Point** is a nice place to visit. We can see two valleys at a time from this point. This is also Lush green vally and view from high altitude. We met two foreigners at this point namely Miss. Phaskal from France and Mr. Dannis from Germany. Our students interacted with them. Dr. S. G. Saykar initiated the interaction, introduced all of us to the foreign guests. Through the interaction between Dr. B. S. Lokde and Mr. Dannis we came to know that Mr. Dannis and Miss. Phaskal came to India to study on a project entitled Child Care in the discipline of Economics. They had started their survey from Delhi, visited Mumbai and presently residing in Goa. Our students introduced one by one to the foreigners and took photographs with them. It was a very nice and motivating experience for the students.
- **Mapro Garden** is known for their production of delicious strawberries. It is a Garden Park established and maintained by the food processing company, Mapro. The park has lush greenery around, a little nursery, a chocolate factory and a children's play area. Our students enjoyed strawberries here and took more information about the park along with photographs.
- **Mahaganapati Temple in Wai** is also known as Dholya Ganapati Temple of Wai. It is located on the bank of River Krishna in Wai. The temple was built in 1762 by Shri Ganapatrao Bhikaji Raste. It is called Dholya because of the big size of Ganesha Statue. We worshiped the Lord Ganesha at the time of evening and started our returning journey.


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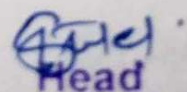
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Interaction with Mr. Dannis from Germany and Miss Phascal from France at Elphiston Point



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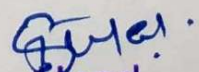
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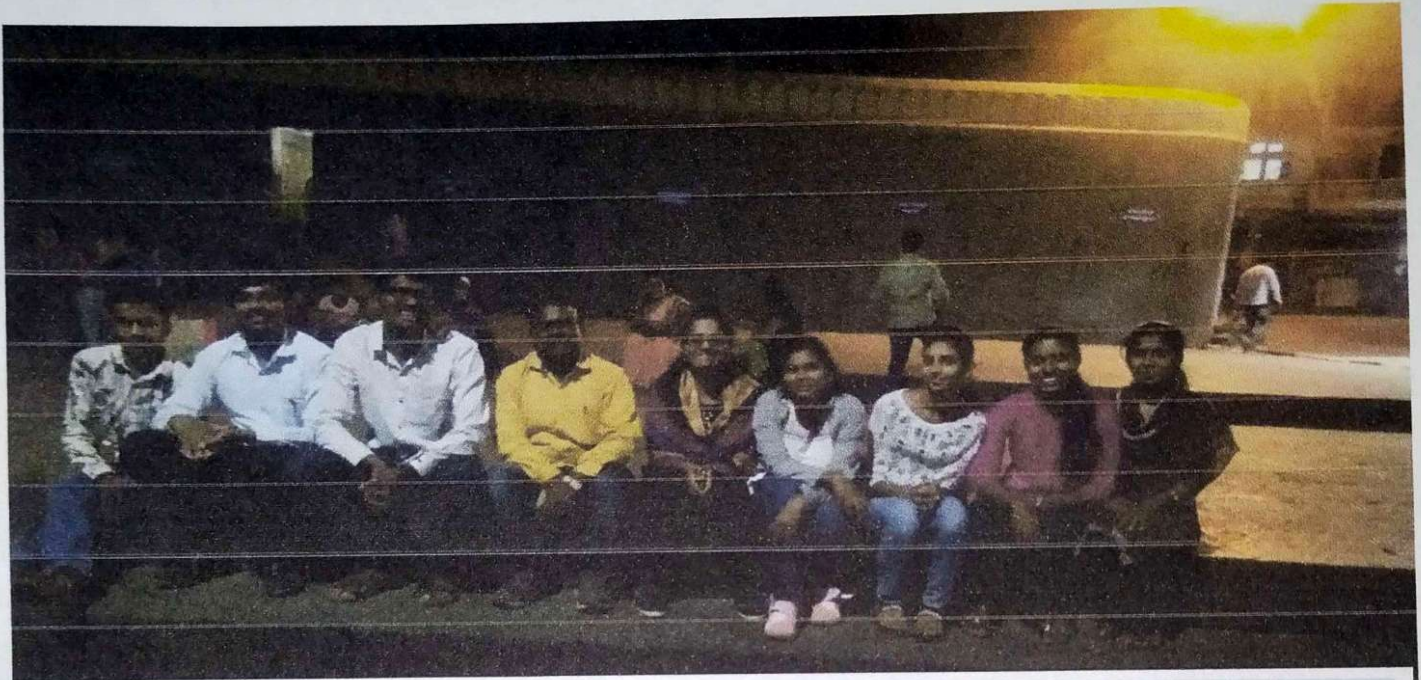

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