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FEEDBACK ON THE TRIP TO BHUTAN

The department of economics undertook an exposure trip to Bhutan from 8th Jan 2024 to 12th Jan 2024. The trip consisted of 7(seven) faculty members from the department.

Bhutan as a country has a lot to offer. As we prepared to enter into the country, we were greeted by a courteous gentleman named Mr Palden of Kuenga Tours & Trek who offered his services throughout our stay at Bhutan. The difference between India and Bhutan in terms of tranquillity and cleanliness is very evident as soon as we stepped into the country. We visited Thimphu and Paro. Some of the main tourist spots we visited were the Buddha Dordenma, one of the major attractions in Thimphu and The Tiger's Nest Monastery in Paro. The two and a half hour trek to the Tiger's nest Monastery was very fulfilling and memorable. Assistant Professor Diesino conquered her fear of heights motivated by the members and our tour guide. Assistant Professor and Joint Director, Tribal Affairs, Government of Nagaland Madam Asang and Rtd Associate Professor Madam Sashimenla got to experience pony rides halfway up the mountain . We also experienced a well deserved hot stone bath after the exhausting trek which was suggested by Mr Palden. It certainly lessened the fatigue of the trek. Our stay in Bhutan was limited as there was general election. Nonetheless, the members had wholesome trip with no hiccups or problems whatsoever. We carried home lots of souvenirs and fond memories.

The streets are very clean and the atmosphere is pollution free. The people are friendly and much disciplined. We did not witness street brawls, loud ear piercing noises or uncomfortable situations during our whole five day stay in Bhutan. We also got to experience the country's lifestyle as we made ourselves comfortable in home stays and also got to taste the rich cuisine. The serenity and scenic beauty of Bhutan is beyond measure. If anyone plans for a holiday with some peace and quiet and to thoroughly relax and meditate, Bhutan is the country.

Though our trip was short and limited, we got a lot of insights from our tour guide Mr Palden of Kuenga Tours. We applaud the services rendered by Kuenga tours and we wish the company the best in the near future. Through the eyes of Kuenga Tours, we saw the best of Bhutan. We would like to make one suggestion. As tourists, no doubt we get to know a lot about Bhutan from social media. It will be an add on if you can give the tourist handouts and pamphlets as they come so that they will have a clearer picture of what to expect, the places to visit and the cuisines to taste. The tourists can take the same pamphlets home and share it with friends and loved ones. This will promote your company as well as attract more tourists.

Thank you for making our trip to Bhutan a memorable one. We wish Kuenga tours lots of success and accomplishments in the near future.

Thank you.

Regards

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