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## Field Trip at ICAR and Old Goa Church, EIA Old Goa Report

A field trip was organised by the Department of Economics in association with Department of Commerce of the S.S.A. Government College of Arts and Commerce Virnoda, Pernem Goa at ICAR (Indian Council of Agricultural Research), ELA Goa and at Old Goa Church, Old Goa for the T.Y.B.A. and S.Y.B.A. (DSC Economics) and T.Y.B.Com. students on 20/05/2022. Total number of students went for field trip was 37. This field trip was coordinated by Ms. Yogita Rao an Assistant Professor in Economics.

ICAR is an autonomous organisation under Department of Agricultural Research and Education (DARE), Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Government of India. Considering the importance of agriculture in Goa state, ICAR, New Delhi, up graded to enter into an independent institute from April 1989. This institute has been upgraded from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014 as an ICAR- Central Coastal Agricultural Research Institute. This institute is under the Natural Resource Management (NRM) division of ICAR. In 1983, a Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) was established in this institute to provide transfer of technology to the farming community of Goa. ICAR- CCARI is spread over 53 ha in which all major infrastructure and experimental field for research work are established.

This field trip were held with view to bring the students more closely to the agricultural sector and to know various units of it. We were accompanied by Technical Officer Mr. Edward D'Costa to provide in detail information about each unit at ICAR.



Field survey was started with information provided by Mr. Edward about the various plantations of trees done in Goa like Mango, Coconut, Arecanut, Cashew and Banana, etc. Further he had shown the various varieties of each of this species which are found in Goa. The major yield from it can be earned as its best suitable to Goa climate. The production yield is found to be of good quality and quantity wise which gets a good price in market. Most of the farmers are trained over here to show how to do this plantation and to take care about this plants by using suitable fertilizers and its amount to be used. He had also shown the other units like various horticulture crops sciences, the poultry unit, animal husbandry, fisheries, etc. Students found more interesting the horticulture unit as they have shown how the grafting is done of the plant and by knowing the importance of grafting through which how they can earn more yield and profit. Students had also seen the aqua farm at ICAR.



After gaining the knowledge about the different agriculture units field trip further proceeds to the other destination at Old Goa Church the Basilica of Bom Jesus. It is both a pilgrimage centre and also the most iconic monument of all the churches and convents of Goa, recognised by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site. It is considered to be one of the best examples of baroque architecture and Portuguese Colonial architecture in India. Also it is one of the seven wonders of Portuguese origin in the World. Students observed the old heritage site and the architecture structure of Portuguese.



It was one of the opportunity that avail to gain a fruitful knowledge about the different agricultural units and be a very good experience for students who had received a practical knowledge about different production units of agriculture. This field trip had provided a one of the option for students to develop their future career and job prospects in this sector. Students had also experienced through their observations the old heritage and iconic monument of Portuguese rule in Goa.

Field trip was ended with a knowledgeable and happy colourful faces of the students.

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