



ITL'S TRIP TO RAJASTHAN

Date : 25th Oct'14- 28th Oct'14
 Venue : Village Nagar, District Dudu, Rajasthan.
 Conducted By : Itihaas
 Organised By : Itihaas
 Attended By : 8 students of Heritage Club & Class XI with Ms. Priyanka Mohan

ITL Public School in coordination with ITIHAAS, took its Heritage Club and History students for a Heritage cum educational tour to Rajasthan. The purpose of the trip was to meet Mr. Lakshman Singh of village Laporiya. Mr. Lakshman, also known as the 'Water Warrior', is an Ashoka Fellowship recipient who turned this semi-arid village into a lush green hub. This is what we had gone for but what we got back was more than what we expected. From the smallest mundane activity of the day to the most meaningful one, we learnt a lot.

The best part was that this learning did not come with any unwelcome pressures, it seeped into us just the way fragrance seeps into a flower and brightness seeps into the day. Our students learnt how to mix up and make new friends in a completely strange environment. On our journey we had three more schools with us, Meera Model, Janakpuri, Khaitan Public School, Noida and Convent of Jesus and Mary, Gol Market. It was joyous to watch all these four disappear into one.

Students visited the school in village Nagar (where we were staying), here they saw simple standards of living but high standards of dreaming, dimly lit classrooms but brightly lit eyes. The same day we went around the village and interviewed the villagers.

This wonderful experience of education and learning was interspersed with other simple but splendid things, like sleeping on the terrace under the bright night sky, the joy of eating together and much more. To all this I would finally like to add that the attitude, approach and interaction of the Itihaas team with all our students and us was simply overwhelming, at the base of every instruction, command, or message, their intention of love and care was so visible. They were not only sincere in their work but they were sincere in being good human beings too.

Thus we all brought back with us a bagful of memories, wisdom, new friends, new contacts, new habits and loads of longing moments.