

Twenty seven EMBA students of the Department of Tourism and Hospitality Management (THM), Dhaka University, toured India from June 7 2015 to June 12 2015. They started from Dhaka University premises and entered India through Changrabandha border and first reached Siliguri on the way to Darjeeling which was their ultimate destination.

Darjeeling, with its fascinating beauty, was almost waiting for the lovers of nature. Its scenic glory can hardly be overlooked. So this tour was no longer a study tour and was rather a journey to know the unknown, to pacify the busy life with heavenly beauty.

On 8 June 2015 we started from Siliguri to Mirik hiring three cars and first visited Mirik Lake and then reached Darjeeling, taking shelter at Hotel Kunjo.

On June 9 at 5 AM we reached Tiger Hill, located at the highest point in the

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# WHEN YOU DARE TO DREAM

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area of Darjeeling. Tiger Hill is best known for the dazzling sunrise view of the Kanchenjunga and the snow covered peaks of the entire eastern Himalayan range. On the same day, at 6 AM, we went to see Ghoom Monastery situated at an altitude of 7,407 ft. We also came across Batasia Loop located 5 km away from Darjeeling Town and just below Ghoom. It's a wonderful viewing place with decorated gardens, streams and falls, from where you can get a wide range view of Darjeeling's landscape, Kanchenjunga and the other Eastern Himalayan peaks.

Next we reached Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park which is a 67.56-acre zoo. The zoo, located at an average elevation of 7,000 feet, is the largest high altitude zoo in India. After that, we went to Darjeeling Ropeway/Rangteet Valley Passenger Cable Car which offered a brilliant view of the valley below, the spread of lush tea gardens, dense forests, mountain streams in their full flow and waterfalls. After having lunch we went to see waterfall at Rock Garden- a lovely park in wonderful settings located a few miles away from Darjeeling town.

On 10 June we set for Lamahatta, a small mountain village near Darjeeling. A watch tower and garden benches were the most charming parts of the village. On the way to Kalimpong, we encountered Lovers



meet View Point. One can stop at the view point of 'Lovers Meet' from where the confluence of river Teesta and Rangteet can be seen.

At noon, we reached Pineview Nursery, another major attraction of Kalimpong. From this nursery we came to know more about different varieties of Cacti. We then set out for Deolo Park (also known as Deolo or Deolo Hill) - a small and peaceful Himalayan hamlet. At a height of

1914 m and only 6 km away from Kalimpong, it is a perfect getaway among the magnificent mountains. At Deolo we got a quiet evening atop a charming landscape, overlooking the Teesta valley.

The honesty of the mountainous people is beyond belief. Their manner and behaviour really impressed and inspired us for future visits. The experience was truly remarkable and something we will all remember forever. ■

SHUTTERSTORIES

# TO LOVE WHOLEHEARTEDLY

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There are so many instances of humans-killing humans, nowadays. There are so many instances of torture, hate, torment, terrorism, abuse, harassment- all by humans. In this day and age, in a world like this, it is very difficult to find comfort and a true friend. One of the wisest things to do when one needs loyalty is to turn to the purity in the hearts of God's other creations- animals. Animals have a way of understanding human

emotions, even better than humans themselves. And animals, when made friends with, can be most loyal and sincere in the friendship. From animals, we can learn to love wholeheartedly. There is no animal who will belittle you, no animal who will cause you pain in your heart, no animal that will wish you wrong.

There is no animal that isn't worth your love.

— NAZIBA BASHER



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