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Name of Department – Geography

Name of Activity – Field Visit at Bhimashankar Wild Life Sanctuary

On October 15, 2022, the Geography Department of Huatma Rajguru Mahavidyalaya organized an educational and adventurous field visit to the Bhimashankar Sanctuary, situated in the Khed Tehsil of Pune District. The primary objective of this field visit was to provide students with hands-on experience and practical knowledge about geography, biodiversity, and natural landscapes.

Bhimashankar Sanctuary is a protected natural area located in the Khed Tehsil of Pune District in the Indian state of Maharashtra. It is situated in the rugged Western Ghats of Maharashtra and covers a significant portion of the Bhimashankar Wildlife Sanctuary. Here is some information about Bhimashankar Sanctuary:

Location: Bhimashankar Sanctuary is located in the Western Ghats, which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site known for its rich biodiversity and unique ecosystems. It is situated in the Sahyadri Range, making it a significant part of the Western Ghats.

Biodiversity: The sanctuary is renowned for its rich and diverse flora and fauna. It is home to a variety of wildlife species, including the Indian giant squirrel, leopard, barking deer, and a wide range of bird species. The sanctuary is a protected habitat for many endangered and endemic species.

Flora: The sanctuary boasts a lush and varied range of plant species. It is particularly known for its dense forests, which include evergreen and semi-evergreen forests. The sanctuary's vegetation is influenced by its elevation, ranging from tropical forests at lower altitudes to montane forests at higher elevations.

Geographical Features: The sanctuary is characterized by its picturesque geographical features. It features rugged terrain, deep valleys, dense forests, and a network of streams and rivers. The Bhima River, originating in this region, is one of the prominent geographical features.

Bhimashankar Temple: The Bhimashankar Sanctuary is not only a site of natural significance but also holds cultural and religious importance. The Bhimashankar Temple, one

of the 12 Jyotirlinga shrines dedicated to Lord Shiva, is located in the sanctuary. This temple attracts pilgrims and tourists alike, adding to the sanctuary's cultural significance.

Trekking and Tourism: Bhimashankar Sanctuary is a popular destination for trekking and eco-tourism. The sanctuary offers various trekking trails that take visitors through its diverse landscapes and offer breathtaking views of the Western Ghats. The sanctuary's natural beauty and tranquil environment make it a sought-after destination for nature enthusiasts and adventure seekers.

Conservation: The Bhimashankar Sanctuary is a protected area aimed at conserving the region's rich biodiversity. Efforts are made to safeguard the habitat and ensure the survival of its diverse wildlife and plant species. It is a part of the Western Ghats, which is recognized for its ecological significance and the need for conservation.

Visiting Bhimashankar Sanctuary offers a unique opportunity to experience the beauty of the Western Ghats, explore the natural world, and appreciate both its ecological and cultural aspects. It serves as a valuable site for conservation, education, and outdoor recreation.

The field visit featured a diverse range of activities to explore and understand the Bhimashankar Sanctuary:

Collecting Information on Flora and Fauna: Students actively engaged in data collection related to the various plant and animal species within the sanctuary. This experience heightened their awareness of biodiversity and ecological significance.

Trekking (12 km): A challenging 12 km trek was organized, allowing students to immerse themselves in the natural beauty of the area. During this trek, they encountered varying topographical features.

Study of River Origin (Bhima): The students delved into the study of the Bhima River, its source, and its role in shaping the geographical landscape.

Observation of Geographical Features: Detailed observations were made regarding the geographical features, including landforms, rock formations, and ecosystems in the sanctuary.

Sightseeing in the Mountain Area: The students marveled at the breathtaking mountainous terrain, gaining a deeper appreciation for the unique geography of the region.

Visit to the Holy Place (Bhimashankar): As part of the visit, students had the opportunity to explore the sacred Bhimashankar Temple, which holds spiritual significance and is noted for its architectural beauty.

Guidance and Educational Talks:

The field visit was expertly guided by Prof. Dr. D. D. Muluk, the Head of the Geography Department. His wealth of experience ensured the educational value and safety of

the trip. To enhance the learning experience, Dr. D. M. Markad conducted a talk about the sanctuary's flora and fauna. This talk provided valuable insights into the region's rich biodiversity. Mr. M. L. Muluk discussed the geomorphology and climatic conditions of the area, helping students better understand the geographical features and the influence of climate on the region.

The field visit to Bhimashankar Sanctuary was a remarkable educational and experiential opportunity for the students of Huatma Rajguru Mahavidyalaya's Geography Department. This visit not only enriched their knowledge but also fostered a profound appreciation for the natural world.

The array of activities, coupled with expert guidance and informative talks, deepened the students' understanding of geography and its real-world applications. Field visits of this nature bridge the gap between classroom learning and firsthand exploration. The college looks forward to arranging more such experiential learning opportunities to further nurture a passion for geography among its students.



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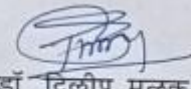


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