

ST JOSEPH'S UNIVERSITY

BEMBALA OUTREACH PROGRAMME

PG RURAL EXPOSURE CAMP 2023 – 2024

The Bembala – St. Joseph's Outreach Programme had organized Rural Exposure Camp for Post Graduate Students from **July – September 2023**. As per the university guidelines all the PG students are expected to contribute 40 hours towards outreach Programme. The 40 hours outreach Programme is divided into 2 tasks a. Rural Exposure camp, b. Class Special activity. Hence Students were taken for 5 days rural camp. The main objective of this camp is to make the students aware about the rural life and contribute to the village. This year around **752 students** took part in this camp. The students were accompanied by the Outreach Coordinators and class mentors. The students were taken to **Sindagi which is part of Vijayapura district and Manvi which is of Raichur district in North Karnataka**. The students visited a total of 20 different villages and gained different experiences. During camp the students are involved in various activities such as **Eco march, cleanliness Drives, Sapling Plantation, village surveys, awareness skits and drives, weeding, wall painting, group discussions, interaction with SHG women, government School teaching, Shramadhan etc.** The students also conducted various cultural Programmes for the villagers. These activities give the students more understanding on the rural life and the problems faced by them, the students also were engaged in various group discussions based on their observations during activities and visits and also perform awareness skits based on the same and after the camp the students as a class come up with a special social work activity which is in line with the areas of work of the Outreach Department and their Department objectives, this activity is an outcome of the camp, this rural exposure camp was a fruitful experience for the students. The students after the camp also shared their experience on how this rural camp had made a positive impact in their lives and motivate them to become men and women for others.

For the Images of the Bembala Outreach Programme, kindly refer to the Photo Gallery:

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