



Goa University

Discipline of Economics, Goa Business School

Report on Industrial Tour to Mumbai, Maharashtra

1. Title of the Event/Activity/program	Industrial Tour to Mumbai, Maharashtra
2. Date and Time	23rd January 2024 to 26th January 2024
3. Mode of conduct (Physical/Online)	Physical
4. School	Economics, Goa Business School
5. Number of Faculty attended	03
6. Number of Student attended	28
7. The objectives of the activity	<p>The aim of this tour was to provide students with practical insights into economics, finance, and social sciences. Through visits to the RBI, IIPS, IGIDR, and TISS, students aimed to understand the operational functions of these institutions, interact with experts, and appreciate interdisciplinary perspectives. The tour fostered a deeper understanding of monetary policy, demographic research, development economics, and social sciences education. It aimed to inspire students towards academic and professional pursuits in these fields, emphasizing collaboration and interdisciplinary approaches in addressing societal challenges.</p>
8. Description of the activity	<p>We visited 4 different institutions at Mumbai namely- Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research (IGIDR), Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS), and Reserve Bank of India (RBI).</p> <p>Our first visit was at the IGIDR on 24th January i.e. the day we reached Mumbai. Here we interacted with their placement committee, PhD scholars and had a library orientation session. Students were made</p>



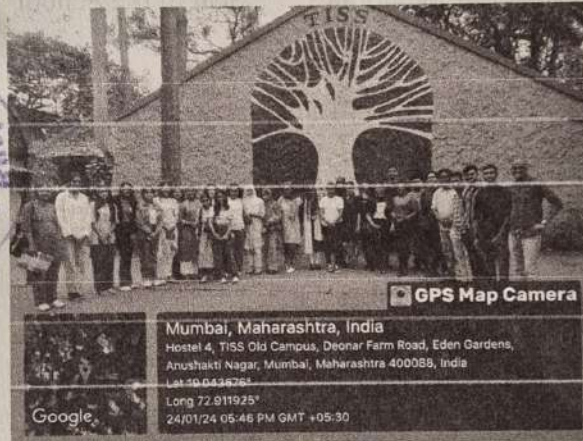
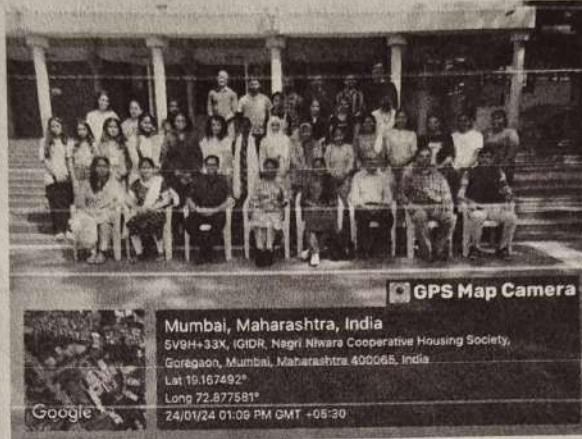
	<p>aware about how the placement committee works here as well some key aspects for the PhD preparation. Library session included an introduction to different databases available in that institution.</p> <p>Then on the same day we visited Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS) in Mumbai at 3:30 PM. Upon arrival at TISS, we were warmly welcomed by Prof. Bino Paul and provided an orientation to the campus and its facilities, which included an overview of TISS's history, academic programs and research activities. This provided a deeper understanding of the institute's learning environment and resources available to students. We had the opportunity to interact with Dr Rahul S. who exposed us to a diverse range of academic programs, research areas and teaching methodologies of TISS, Mumbai.</p>
	<p>On 25th January 2024 we visited IIPS (International Institute for Population Sciences) in the morning. We interacted with the faculty members there who broadened students' understanding of research. At IIPS we also got an opportunity to explore their library as well as their data center (computer labs). This orientation gave students insights about the type of data that this institution provides (NFHS).</p> <p>Our last visit was to the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)- Mumbai Headquarters and the RBI museum on the same day at 3:00 pm. We were warmly welcomed by Dr. Prabhat Kumar, an alumnus of Goa University, who currently serves as an Assistant Advisor, Division of Money and Credit in the Department of Economic and Policy Research, within the RBI, Mumbai. There we had a chance to interact with the head of the department of DEPR who graciously shared her personal journey and evolution within the RBI, offering inspiration to our students as well as making the students acquainted with working at RBI. We then also interacted with the young staff who just joined the RBI who elaborated on the annual examination cycle, syllabus coverage, recommended resources, and the interview process that they have undergone for joining the RBI. After our interaction with the team members, we visited the RBI Monetary Museum. The museum showcased a rich collection of artifacts, including ancient coins from different periods of India's history. These coins served as tangible reminders of the various rulers and dynasties that have shaped India's history. They underscored the importance of currency and economic systems throughout the country's history.</p>
<p>9. Benefit/Key outcomes of the activity</p>	<p>Students gained practical insights into the workings of prominent institutions in Mumbai's academic and financial landscape, namely IGIDR, TISS, IIPS, and RBI. Interacting with placement committees, scholars, and faculty members broadened their understanding of career opportunities and academic pursuits. Exposure to library resources and databases enhanced their research capabilities. Moreover, the orientation sessions provided a deeper understanding of each institution's history, academic programs, and research activities, fostering a conducive learning environment. The interactions with</p>

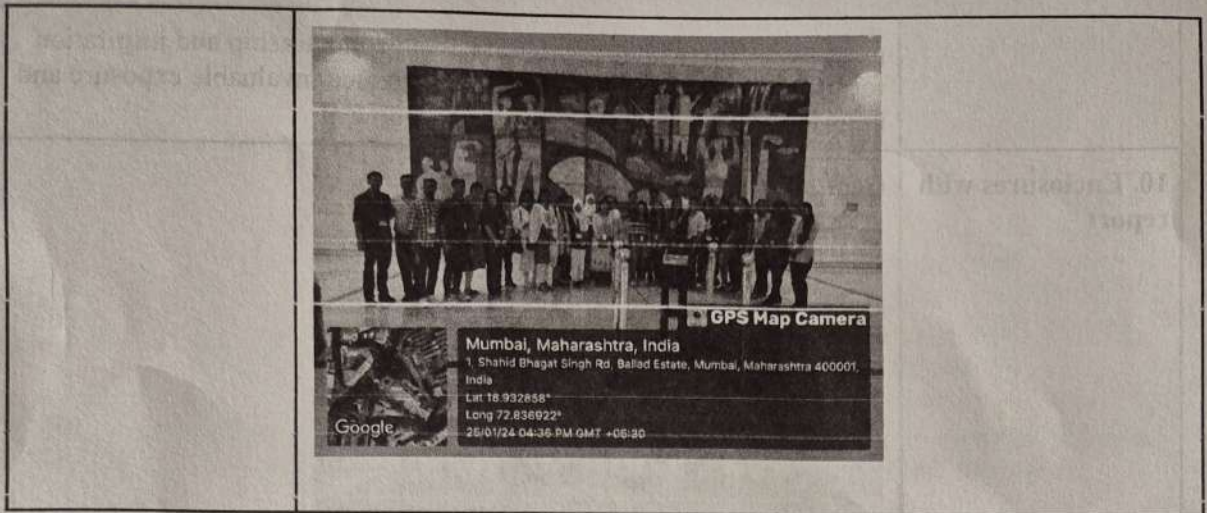


professionals and alumni offered valuable mentorship and inspiration for future endeavors. Overall, students gained invaluable exposure and knowledge, enriching their academic journey.

10. Enclosures with report

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