

JSS Medical College: Asian Medical Students Exchange Program-2023

JSS Medical College, JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research hosted Asian Medical Students Exchange Program (AMSEP) between 04/07/2023 to 10/07/2023. Under this program, 10 students from Tzu Chi University, Taiwan and 3 students from AMSEP National Board were hosted in the campus of the institution. The event was coordinated by our 3rd year medical students Ms G S Sanjana, Ms Deetya Kummata, Ms Ananya Thaker, Mr Darshith R Pillai, and Ms Shruti Singh. There were a series of events planned throughout their stay at JSS Medical College to foster both cultural and academic exchange. The activities included, visit to JSS Hospital, Skill lab, visit to Anatomy Museum, and JSS Urban Health Centre to understand grassroot level healthcare delivery. They also were exposed to Forensic club activities and dissection. For cultural exchange, the delegates visited tourist places in Mysuru, participated in cultural evening, sports, and also tasted Indian cuisine.

DAY 1-04/07/2023

On 04/07/2023 the program kick started with the welcome ceremony, distribution of delegate kits, and tour of the college, which was followed by ice-breaking session conducted by JSS Medical College, Quiz club. The welcome ceremony was graced by Dr. Manjunatha B, Registrar, JSS AHER, Dr Vishal Gupta, Dean Academics, JSS AHER, Dr Basavanagowdappa H, Principal, JSS Medical College, Dr Suma MN and Dr Praveen Kulkarni, Vice Principals, JSS Medical College, Shri Sathish Chandra, Administrative Officer, JSS Medical College, and Dr Smitha MC, Associate Professor, Department of Community Medicine, JSS Medical College (Key coordinator for the program).





DAY 2 - 05/07/2023

The day began with the visit to the hobby place, Mysore, where the delegates were introduced to the skill of pottery making and the art of creating rangoli. The delegates enthusiastically participated in the activities and were briefed about the tradition of rangoli making by the instructor. The delegates had interesting questions related to Indian customs which were answered by the student coordinators. This was followed by a dissection session in the afternoon which was headed by Dr. Ravi Shankar, Assistant Professor, Dept of Anatomy. The delegates were taught about various organs and got to see up close how the dissection of each organ is performed. In the evening the delegates visited St. Philomena Church and were briefed about the origin of the church and it's history, this was followed by a visit to the Chamundi temple , the delegates were impressed by the scenic beauty and by the architecture of the temple. The student coordinators briefed the delegates about the history of the temple and narrated the story of Chamundi Devi to the delegates.



DAY 3 - 06/07/2023

The day started early, with the visit to the JSS Hospital, wherein the delegates were briefed about the Indian healthcare system by Dr. Anil Kumar Hegde, Head, Department of Hospital Administration. The delegates were very inquisitive and voiced out their questions about the Indian Healthcare system, about the health insurance policies in India and also about the government and private setup in India. The delegates were then given a tour of the hospital and proceeded to visit the wards in the hospital, along with the ICUs and the surgery museum. After the hospital visit the delegates were taken to the skill lab, where Dr. Archana S, Assistant Professor, Dept of Anaesthesia had planned activities like the CPR marathon, Ryle tube insertion and IV cannula insertion. The delegates enthusiastically took part in the activities and reiterated that they had a good learning experience. This was followed by making the delegates taste the Indian Cuisine at the Kapoor's Cafe. The delegates enjoyed the food and were impressed by the diversity in Indian food.



DAY4 - 07/07/2023

The day started by the afternoon where a forensic activity was planned by the Forensic club of JSS medical college oculus luris. Dr Chandrakanth, Head, Dept of forensic medicine and toxicology, started the session by introducing forensic medicine to the students following which a moot court demonstration was given by the 3rd year MBBS students. The delegates were impressed by the stimulation of a court proceeding and were intrigued to know about forensic medicine and toxicology. This followed by fingerprinting session headed by Dr. Aravind, Professor. The delegates were taught how to retrieve fingerprints from articles and surfaces and were also given their fingerprints as token of remembrance.

In the evening a cultural evening was planned, wherein the delegates were introduced to Indian classical dance and music. Various participants from the dance and music clubs took part in the event. The Taiwan delegates had also prepared a dance performance and performed it with enthusiasm. The student coordinators taught the delegates hook steps of famous songs and the cultural evening concluded in a cheerful way. The event was facilitated by Dr Kalabharathi, Professor, Dept of Pharmacology and Dr Smitha, Associate Professor, Dept of Forensic Medicine.



DAY5 - 08/07/2023

The day commenced with a visit to the anatomy museum, followed by briefing on organ donation in India, both were conducted by Dr.Vidhya.C.S, Head, Dept of Anatomy. The delegates were given an insight into how organ donation works in India and how different it is from Taiwan. Later the delegates visited the JSS Urban Health Centre and were guided by Dr.Rama, Medical Officer, who introduced them to community medicine and showed them an overview of how the Indian healthcare functions at a grass root level.

That evening delegates were introduced to the game of cricket, which they enjoyed very much, they also played basketball, badminton and table tennis.



DAY 6 - 09/07/2023

The day began by visit to the karanji lake, wherein the delegates visited the walk-through bird sanctuary and also enjoyed the boating experience. This was followed by a visit to the Mysore palace. They were briefed about the history of Mysore palace and its royalty. The delegates were impressed by the architecture and the interior of the palace. In the afternoon a visit to the Brindavan gardens was planned, where the delegates saw the KRS dam and enjoyed the beauty of the garden.



Overall, the Asian Medical Student Exchange Program hosted by JSS Medical College, JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research was a grand success and was effective in fostering academic and cultural exchange among the Taiwan students.