#### TOUR REPORT

Tour to Wayanad, Mysore, Belur, and Malpe (7th January 2025 - 12th January 2025)

**Organized by:** Department of Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics **Accompanying Teachers:** 

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**Total Students: 24** 

#### Introduction

The tour was organized as an educational and recreational trip for students of the Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics departments. The selected destinations, Wayanad, Mysore, Belur, and Malpe, provided a blend of historical, scientific, and natural experiences. The trip aimed to enhance students' knowledge while allowing them to explore different cultures, architectural marvels, and scenic beauty.

# **Day-wise Itinerary**

#### Day 1: 7th January 2025 - Departure & Arrival at Wayanad

The tour commenced on the morning of 7th January 2025. The group assembled at the college premises and departed for Wayanad by bus. After reaching Wayanad in the afternoon, we checked into our accommodation. The evening was spent visiting the Edakkal Caves, an archaeological site with ancient petroglyphs, which offered insights into prehistoric civilization. Later, students enjoyed a campfire session at the resort.

#### Day 2: 8th January 2025 - Wayanad Exploration

The day started with a visit to Soochipara Waterfalls, followed by a tour of the Banasura Sagar Dam, the largest earthen dam in India. Post-lunch, we explored Pookode Lake, where students enjoyed boating. The evening was reserved for a visit to Muthanga Wildlife Sanctuary, where we observed diverse flora and fauna.

### Day 3: 9th January 2025 - Journey to Mysore

We departed for Mysore early in the morning and reached by noon. The first stop was the iconic Mysore Palace, where students marveled at its Indo-Saracenic architecture. Later, we visited the

Mysore Zoo, one of the oldest and most well-maintained zoological parks in India. The day concluded with a mesmerizing light and sound show at Brindavan Gardens.

# Day 4: 10th January 2025 - Mysore to Belur

The journey continued to Belur, home to the famous Chennakesava Temple, a masterpiece of Hoysala architecture. The intricate carvings and sculptures left everyone in awe. The visit provided valuable insights into temple architecture and Hindu mythology. After the temple visit, we explored nearby Halebidu, another important Hoysala heritage site.

### Day 5: 11th January 2025 - Journey to Malpe Beach

Early in the morning, we traveled to Malpe, a scenic beach destination on the Karnataka coast. Students engaged in various beach activities, including a ferry ride to St. Mary's Island, known for its unique hexagonal rock formations. The day was filled with relaxation and group activities by the shore.

# Day 6: 12th January 2025 - Return Journey

On the final day, we started our return journey, cherishing the memories of the tour. We reached our college by evening, marking the end of an enriching and enjoyable trip.

# **Conclusion**

The tour was a perfect blend of education, adventure, and cultural exposure. Students had the opportunity to witness historical landmarks, explore nature, and understand different architectural styles. The journey strengthened the bond among students and faculty members, making it a truly memorable experience.

# Report on APT Talent Search Preliminary Exam – 6th January 2025

The **Academy of Physics Teachers (APT) Talent Search Examination** preliminary round was conducted on **6th January 2025**. The exam aimed to identify and encourage young talents with exceptional aptitude in Physics.

One student from our institution participated in the examination, demonstrating their knowledge and problem-solving skills in various conceptual and application-based questions. The exam covered fundamental principles of Physics, analytical reasoning, and numerical problem-solving, aligning with the higher secondary curriculum and beyond.