

Visit to Nuttaki village to study the Gram Panchayat activities on 28-09-2024**Objectives of the visit:**

To study various rural development programmes implemented by Gram Panchayat

Description of visit:

The KL College of Agriculture visited the Gram Panchayat of Nuttaki as part of an educational initiative aimed at understanding local governance and rural development practices. The visit aimed to provide students with firsthand experience of the functioning of a Gram Panchayat and its role in community development.

Activities Conducted

- 1. Meeting with Panchayat Members:** The visit began with a formal meeting with the Sarpanch (village head) and other Panchayat members. They shared insights about the governance structure, decision-making processes, and the challenges faced in managing the village's affairs.
- 2. Tour of the Village:** The students toured various parts of Nuttaki, observing infrastructure projects such as roads, sanitation facilities, and public health centers. The Panchayat members explained the significance of each initiative in improving the villager's quality of life.
- 3. Discussion on Development Schemes:** A key part of the visit involved discussions on various government schemes being implemented in Nuttaki, such as the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) and Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY). The effectiveness and reach of these programs were evaluated through interactions with beneficiaries.
- 4. Community Engagement:** The students engaged with residents to gather their perspectives on the Gram Panchayat's functioning. This included discussions on issues such as water supply, education and agricultural practices, allowing students to understand the real challenges faced by rural communities.

Key Observations

- Active Participation:** The Gram Panchayat in Nuttaki demonstrated active community participation, with regular meetings and initiatives to involve villagers in decision-making.

- **Infrastructure Development:** There was a noticeable improvement in local infrastructure, attributed to the implementation of government schemes and community efforts.
- **Challenges:** The Panchayat faced challenges such as limited financial resources, inadequate awareness among villagers about available schemes, and difficulties in implementing sustainable practices.

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1. **Intensive Agricultural Development Programme (IADP):** The Intensive Agricultural Development Programme (IADP) was a pilot program launched in India in 1960 with the help of the Ford Foundation. The program was designed to help farmers in selected districts increase agricultural production by: Providing loans for seeds and fertilizers, Teaching, technical knowledge, suggesting adaptable innovations, ensuring remunerative prices, and providing improved technology.
2. **Intensive Agricultural Area Programme (IAAP):** The Intensive Agricultural Area Programme (IAAP) was a program launched in India in 1964-65 to develop scientific agriculture in areas with high production potential.
3. **High Yielding Variety Programme (HYVP):** The High Yielding Variety Programme (HYVP) was a program in India that aimed to increase agricultural productivity and food security. The program was launched in 1966-67 as part of the Green Revolution during the Third Five Year Plan.

Conclusion

The visit to Nuttaki Village provided valuable insights into the functioning and impact of the Gram Panchayat. The outcomes highlighted the importance of community involvement, ongoing development initiatives, and the need for sustained support to overcome challenges. This visit serves as a model for similar assessments in other rural areas to promote effective governance and holistic rural development.

Outcome of visit:

1. Students gained increased awareness and knowledge of local governance.
2. Students discussed the organizational structure of Gram Panchayat.

Geo tagged photos:



Officials are explaining the activities and schemes implemented by the Gram Panchayat



Faculty is Describing Panchayat Raj System to Students