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MALAYSIA CROSS CULTURE TRIP

A Cross Culture trip to Malaysia was organised by the college, with the help of **Across The Monde Travels and Tours Pvt Ltd**. It was a four day trip to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, with eleven students and one faculty members. The trip was well organised, in a manner which was helpful to the students to gain appropriate knowledge of the new country and its capital city.

In the four days of the stipulated time, the students were taken to all the major historical and economical centres of the city. The first important destination was Putrajaya, the political centre of KL; with an architectural spectacle named the Seri Wawasan Bridge, also the prominent Wilayah Persekutuan Mosque, famous for its beautiful architecture. A touch of nature's beauty was given by the enthralling experience of the cable car trip to the Genting Highlands, accompanied by a visit the famous Genting Strawberry Farmland. An experience and knowledge of Malaysia's diversity was known through the visit to Batu Caves, where the temple of Lord Murugan was situated.

The students were taken to some of the major and authentic shopping centres of the city, which are- Berjaya Times Square Mall, The Watch Factory Outlet, Bukit Bintang, Little India, The Central Market; where the students could purchase memorable souvenirs.

The major attraction of the city were its towers, the marvellous Petronas Twin Towers, its skybridge and the KL Towers, standing out as symbols of the city's might. The war memorial, spoke of the history of Malaysia. The KL Gallery, the King's Palace, the Cocoa Boutique and the Handicrafts Centre gave an insight into the native culture of that country.

The last day was marked by a visit to the TARC University, one of the oldest and prestigious institutions of the country; where the students were welcomed to a cross cultural programme; which gave insights on the culture, history, traditions, cuisines and languages of Malaysia.

The trip was perfectly planned to offer all the necessities, whilst managing the time limit. It was of great use to the students, as they got to know about a new country and gained a rich travelling experience.