

Departmental Tour 04/01/2023

History Department organized a study tour jointly with the department of Bengali on 04/01/2023. More than 19 students and 7 Faculty members from both the departments participated in this tour. The tour started at 8am from the college gate and covered more than 50 kilometers to reach the first place to visit, Debanandapur, the birth place of the famous Begali novelist Sarat Chandra Chattopadhayay. It is a now a museum preserving the memories of the writer. The second place of visit was Hanseswari temple in Bansberia situating 60 kilometers from Kolkata. This **temple** is a Ratna temple located in the town. The presiding

deity of the temple is Hangseswari, a form of Maa adiparashakti jagatjanani dakshina Kali in hindu mythology. In December 1799, Raja Nrisinha deb Roy laid the foundation stone of this temple. But after completion of the second storey in 1802, the founder died leaving this far-famed temple incomplete. His second wife Rani Sankari completed the rest of the work in 1814. The third place of visit was Hooghly Imambara, built by a famous philanthropist Haji Muhammad Mohosin between 1841-1861. It is a Shia congregation hall and mosque on the bank of river Hooghly. The building is a two storied structure, with a tall clock tower over the entrance. The fourth place was the Bandel Church.It is also known as the Basilica of the Holy Rosary. It was one of the oldest Christian churches in Bengal founded in the year of 1599. It stands as the Portuguese settlement in Bengal. The last place of visit was Chandernagore Museum a symbol of French colonial rule in Bengal. It was originally the residence of the French Governors of this French colony. After independence from the French rule this house was converted as a museum and art gallery by the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India. The tour ended at the college gate at 7pm.