

Loyola College
(Autonomous), Chennai
Department of Commerce
PG Rural Exposure Camp

A four-day exposure program to Perumbakkam village in Villupuram district was organized by the Department of Service Learning from 21st to 24th February 2023, for the 1st year students of M.Com and M.Sc Biotech. The students were accompanied by Prof. Renuka (Department of Commerce), Prof. Antonysamy and Dr. Anand of Department of Service Learning.

The team of students left the college campus in a government bus at 8:20 a.m and reached Perumbakkam, Villupuram at 12:45 p.m where Thiru. Antony Cruz, Director of Shanthi Nilayam welcomed the students and gave a short orientation.

The students were then, divided into five teams. Two teams went to visit Ariur village and other 3 teams went to venkateshpuram village. The students gathered information about the villagers, their living conditions, source of income and the issues faced by them. The students interacted with the Panchayat Head of Ariur village.

On the third day, the students arranged a cultural program for the school children of the village. Students also exhibited their talents through dance, songs and skit. The children enjoyed the program along with their parents. Our students not only enthralled the children, but also enthusiastically interacted with them.

On the fourth day, during the valedictory program, the students shared their experiences and what they learned through the rural exposure. The students thanked the Management, the Department of Service Learning and the staff members who accompanied them. The students were very happy about the entire arrangement, personal care given by the accompanying staff and specially for the shelter and hygiene and tasty food provided to them. While the students were returning to the college, the memories they made at Perumbakkan, Villupuram kept lingering in their minds. They reached safely the Loyola campus on 24th February, 2023 by 8 pm.

