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## REPORT ON THE VISIT TO TRIBAL HAMLETS AND TRIBAL RESEARCH CENTRE AT NILGIRI HILLS, OOTY

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On the 8th and 9th of December 2024, Department of Sociology organized a visit to a tribal hamlet as part of its educational outreach program a group of students visited the tribal hamlets of the Toda's and Irulas in Bokkapuram, located in the Nilgiris Hills, Ooty, as part of their syllabus to gain practical exposure. The visit aimed to provide students with firsthand insights into the lives, culture, and challenges faced by the indigenous communities in the region. During the visit, students had the opportunity to interact with the tribal people, engaging in meaningful conversations to understand their problems. Issues such as lack of access to healthcare, education, and basic infrastructure were highlighted. The students also learned about the tribal communities' efforts in preserving their traditional customs, practices, and connection with nature.

In addition to the hamlet visits, the students toured the Tribal Research Centre, where they gained further insights into ongoing research and efforts for tribal welfare and preservation. This visit allowed students to connect theoretical knowledge with real-world experiences, deepening their understanding of the socio-economic and cultural dynamics of tribal communities.

TOTAL STUDENTS	DATE	VENUE	TOTAL FACULTY PARTICIPATED
30	08 & 09 <sup>th</sup> OF DECEMBER 2024	NILGIRI HILLS, OOTY	02

