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**Formal Report on Orientation Programme**

**Day 2 & Day 3**

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# Report on Orientation Programme (Day 2 & Day 3)

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## Introduction

The orientation programme was organized for the newly admitted students of the Department of Tourism & Hospitality Management to acquaint them with academic, professional, and institutional practices. The programme spanned two days – Day 2 (Tuesday, August 26, 2025) and Day 3 (Wednesday, August 27, 2025). The following report presents a structured account of the events, objectives, highlights, and key takeaways.



## Day 2: Tuesday, August 26, 2025

### Objectives

- To introduce students to cultural and culinary aspects of India.
- To provide an overview of hospitality and tourism industry practices.
- To familiarize students with university facilities and resources.

### Highlights of the Day

#### • Session I (10:00 – 11:30):

- Mr. Rajeev Goyal (India Food Walks) spoke on the significance of

food walks in promoting culinary tourism and preserving local cuisines.



- **Mr. Khaver Ali Khan (Secrets of India)** discussed hidden cultural treasures of India, emphasizing storytelling as a tool for tourism promotion.



**• Session II (11:45 – 13:15):**

- **Dr. Arun Shrivastava (Ministry of Tourism)** presented on government initiatives for sustainable tourism and emerging opportunities in India.





- **Ms. Sharada Sharma (Hotel Surya)** delivered a session on operational excellence in hotels and guest experience management.



### **• Session III (14:15 – 15:45):**

A campus tour was conducted to introduce students to institutional facilities, guided by Mr. Mudassar, Dr. Wasif, and research scholars.



## **Key Takeaways**

- Students gained exposure to culinary and cultural aspects of India.
- Valuable insights on sustainable tourism and hotel management practices were shared.
- The campus tour allowed students to connect with the university environment.

## **Day 3: Wednesday, August 27, 2025**

### **Objectives**

- To provide academic perspectives and industry knowledge through expert talks.
- To inspire students through leadership experiences shared by professionals.
- To encourage interaction between junior and senior students for peer learning.

### **Highlights of the Day**

#### **• Session I (10:00 – 11:30):**

- **Dr. Aditi Rawat (Pahle India)** spoke on India's policy research landscape and its implications for tourism and development.

- **Mr. Vikas Khanduri (Holiday Merchants)** highlighted entrepreneurship opportunities in holiday planning and niche travel markets.

### **• Session II (11:45 – 13:15):**

- **Dr. R. K. Suman (Ministry of Tourism)** discussed the role of government in shaping tourism careers and skill development.

- **Dr. Anand Singh (Principal, Retd., IHM)** shared leadership lessons, his academic journey, and evolving trends in hospitality education.

### **• Session III (14:15 – 15:45):**

Students interacted with senior peers under the guidance of class teachers. Discussions focused on coping strategies, academic expectations, and co-curricular involvement.

### **Key Takeaways**

- Students gained awareness about policy research and entrepreneurship in tourism.
- Practical leadership and career-building insights were imparted by industry veterans.
- Peer interaction fostered confidence, motivation, and a sense of community.

### **Conclusion**

The two-day orientation programme successfully met its objectives by integrating industry knowledge, policy perspectives, and academic mentorship. Sessions from distinguished speakers highlighted cultural, culinary, and professional aspects of hospitality and tourism. Interactive activities such as the campus tour and peer discussions enriched student engagement. The programme laid a strong foundation for the academic and professional journey of the newly admitted batch.