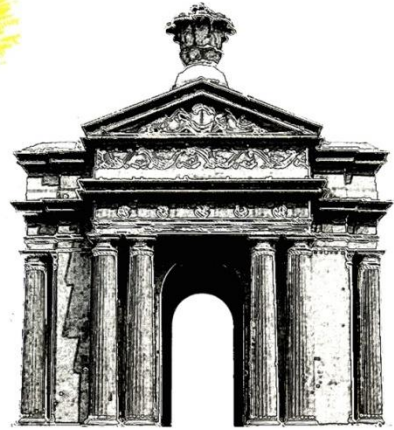


Green Campus Summit-2013



04-05 April 2013, Puducherry, India

1 Day Technical Tour: Exploring Puducherry

Time & Date:

8:30 – 17:00, April 06, 2013

Cost:

-INR 1500 (USD 27 approx) per person which includes transport and lunch.

Tour Reservation Deadline:

-March 15, 2013

Kindly book the tour as early as possible since the maximum number of participants is 40. Once it reaches the maximum capacity, we will close the reservation before the deadline! Prior registration is necessary for the purpose of planning. The fee for the tour can be paid at the registration desk of the summit on 04-April-2013.

Itinerary:

The bus will start from Pondicherry at 08:30 am on the morning of April 06 and return by 05:00 pm to the same place. (Once we have the information of where you stay, we can ensure that you are picked up at a suitable nearby place of your stay)

Weather:

April weather starts getting hot and humid. It would be a good idea if you could carry an umbrella or hat.

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Site 1: Handmade Paper Factory

The Hand Made Paper Factory, started in 1959, is internationally known for the strong and beautifully colored eco-friendly paper it produces by hand. It specializes in white drawing paper and bond stationery paper in a range of colors. The most successful products are the special papers: bagasse, bamboo, rice husk, gunny, straw, algae and tea leaves in paper pulp so that an abstract design is created on the paper when it finally emerges. Another successful product is marbled paper with which stationery items are made. Marbling is a Japanese art of abstract painting done on water. Every sheet of paper is an individual work of art and varies both in shade and design.



Site 2: Explore the architecture and history of Puducherry.

Pondicherry or Puducherry is a planned city unlike most other places in India. All the roads meet at right angles according to the grid system and a long Petit Canal divides the city on the seaward side. The French township is on the sea-facing side while the other is on the Indian side. Places to visit: Pleasant beach alongside promenade, Historical Monuments, Museum, Aayi Mandapam among others. According to the historians, Aayi Mandapam was built during the sixteenth century. It was named after a lady courtesan called Ayi. She destroyed her own house to erect a water reservoir to supply water for the city. At that time Napoleon III was the ruler of France. Later on, the French authority named the place to remember her contribution to the city. The Museum, though small, contains Interesting artifacts from the excavations at the Roman settlement of Arikamedu. It portrays the art and culture of the people of the area during the Pallava, Chola, and Vijayanagar days



Lunch

Lunch at Auroville

Site 3: Auroville Solar Kitchen

Auroville (City of Dawn) is an "experimental" universal township, near Puducherry. It is recognized as the first and only internationally-endorsed ongoing experiment in human unity and also concerned with - and practically researching into - sustainable living and the future cultural, environmental, social and spiritual needs of mankind. The Auroville community has



experimented with many sustainable technologies since it was founded in 1968 in the areas of reforestation, renewable energy, appropriate building technologies, water and sanitation, including decentralized waste water treatment systems. As part of this tour, we will visit the **Auroville Solar Kitchen**, which is a collective kitchen for the Auroville community since December 1997. It derives its name from the large Auroville Solar Bowl on its roof, which provides the steam for cooking on all the sunny days of the year. If time permits, we can visit other nearby places of interest in Auroville.

Site 4: JNV: The green campus in the making

Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV) is a residential central school located at Puducherry. The school has pioneered in the region to implement demonstrable sustainability related projects to not only serve as an experiential learning tool for the campus community but also serve as a model for other institutions to follow or adopt from. The major projects include, Establishing Office of Sustainability, Constructed wetland for Grey Water Management, Bio-fertilizer and Bio-pesticide



Production, Bio-energy Generation from Organic Kitchen Waste, Hugulkultur and Xeriscaping for Biodiversity Conservation and Restoration, Green House for Organic Olericulture, Organic Farming and Women Empowerment, Jatropha and Renewable Energy among others. The projects have also won accolades at the 20th National Children's Science Congress, 2012. The key highlight is that the students and faculties of the institute have volunteered to implement and maintain all of the projects in collaboration with researchers, thereby reducing the overall cost which is a major factor in developing countries such as India.