DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

FIELD VISIT (2011-2012)

PUSHPAK PERFUME FACTORY & ANAIPATTY TEMPLE:

Objective:

As part of the curriculum, our students are required to study Environmental studies paper and also to undertake industrial visit to get exposure to the latest trends of industrial procedure and facilities. Environmental studies paper is compulsory for the students to create interest towards nature and also to get awareness & thorough knowledge to protect our environment. Moreover Industrial visit is very important for a student who is pursuing UG or PG degree. In this regard, every year our department of chemistry organized a field visit cum industrial visit for our students.

Pushpak Perfume Factory:

I, II, III year UG students and 6 staff members of our department started from our college at 9.30 am by bus and reached Pushpak Perfume Factory, Nilakottai at 11am. At first, we reported to the Supervisor in the factory premises. Then he directed us to meet the Manager, Pushpak Perfume Factory. He addressed the students and explained about the history of that factory and nature of work taking place in the factory.

Then the Supervisor took us inside the factory and explained that Perfumes are composed of fragrances or essential oils which are used to provide a pleasant smell. Some of the common natural ingredients utilised in the production of perfumes include spices, woods, flowers, grasses, fruits, resins, leaves, roots, balsams, gums and animal secretions. Perfumes signify a person's style, individuality and personality and a good scent can influence mood, behaviour, perception, emotions and human thoughts. Nowadays, the manufacturing of perfumes has evolved into a mainstream business in the personal care and cosmetics industry. Then the supervisor took us inside the factory and explained the manufacturing of perfume from the raw materials by using the methods such as collection of ingredients, extracting perfume oil form the ingredients, blending and aging of perfume and finally testing the perfume for its quality in quality control section.

We thoroughly observed the manufacturing of perfume from the ingredients with excitement. Then we left the factory at 2pm after thanking the Manger and the Supervisor of that factory. From there we continued our journey to Anaipatti temple.

Anaipatti Temple:

We reached Anaipatti Temple around 3pm. This temple is near a village called Melpatti which is around 51 Km from Dindigul, via Nilakottai. Vaigai river flows close by and the environment looks nice with the Anaipatti dam nearby. We had to cross a bridge to reach this Anaipatti (anai meaning dam, Patti meaning, village.) an obscure village. The climate was cool and the temple is dedicated to Anjaneyar and he is worshiped as Veera Anjaneyar. There we finished our lunch brought with us, worshiped Anjaneyar, enjoyed the river and the cool climate.

Industrial visit provided an excellent opportunity to interact with industrial people and know more about industrial environment. This industrial visit cum field visit was very useful for both the students and staff. This study trip was so interesting, both educative and informative and on the whole the trip indeed brought much pleasure and enjoyment.