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# Report on the NCC Youth Exchange Program to Vietnam (5th - 14th August 2024)

### Introduction

As part of the National Cadet Corps (NCC) Youth Exchange Program, I was selected as a member of the Indian delegation to Vietnam from 5th August to 14th August 2024. This program aimed to foster cultural exchange, enhance diplomatic relations, and promote mutual understanding between the youth of India and Vietnam. Prior to this international assignment, I reported to the Director General (DG) NCC at Delhi Cantonment on 27th July 2024 for initial preparations.

### Preparation at DG NCC, Delhi Cantt

Upon reporting on 27th July, the delegation underwent a series of briefing sessions regarding our itinerary, objectives of the exchange program, protocols to be followed during visits, and cultural sensitivities. We also practiced our presentations, speeches, and were briefed on the military history and diplomatic relations between India and Vietnam. Our preparations also included a rehearsal for gift exchanges and formal interactions with key Vietnamese figures. Dress code protocols were strictly adhered to for various engagements.

### **Day-wise Report of the Visit**

### • Tuesday, 6th August 2024 – Ha Noi

8:30 – 11:00: The delegation visited the Vietnam Military History Museum. We explored exhibits detailing the country's military struggles and achievements, gaining insights into Vietnam's resilience.

11:00 – 14:00: Post-lunch and rest, we prepared for formal meetings.

14:00 – 16:30: We had a courtesy call to the Leaders of the Central Committee of the Ho Chi Minh Communist Youth Union and the Vietnam Youth Federation at 62 Ba Trieu. Here, cultural exchanges and discussions on youth policies were conducted, followed by gift exchanges.

16:30-18:00: A courtesy visit to the Embassy of India in Vietnam allowed us to meet Indian diplomats and brief them on our visit.

18:00 - 19:00: Our day ended with a reflective visit to the Hoa Lo Prison Relic, a somber reminder of Vietnam's colonial struggles.

### • Wednesday, 7th August 2024 – Ha Noi

9:00 – 11:30: The delegation visited the Temple of Literature and the Museum of Ethnology, learning about Vietnam's rich cultural and educational history.

14:00 - 16:00: A cultural exchange with high school students introduced us to Vietnam's vibrant youth, where we presented Indian culture through dance and discussions.

19:30: We watched the Quintessence of Tonkin show, a beautiful performance that showcased Vietnamese history, art, and traditions.

### • Thursday, 8th August 2024 – Ha Noi

10:00 – 12:00: We visited the Military Industry - Telecommunications Group (Viettel), understanding Vietnam's advancements in military technology. This was followed by a visit to Army Officer School 1, where exchange activities were held.

14:30-17:00: Engaging in discussions with future Vietnamese army officers strengthened the bonds of military camaraderie.

### • Friday, 9th August 2024 – Quang Ninh

10:30 – 19:00: Our day was marked by a scenic exploration of Quang Ninh Museum and a





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boat tour of Ha Long Bay. It was a chance to witness the natural beauty and rich history of the region.

### • Saturday, 10th August 2024 – Ha Noi

14:00 – 19:30: After a relaxed morning, the delegation was given free time to shop and explore Hanoi. In the evening, we visited the Thang Long Imperial Citadel, immersing ourselves in Vietnam's imperial history.

### • Sunday, 11th August 2024 – Ha Noi to Ho Chi Minh City

15:30 – 17:00: After arriving in Ho Chi Minh City, we visited the Independence Palace and the War Remnants Museum, both of which provided a deep dive into Vietnam's history of resistance and victory.

### • Monday, 12th August 2024 – Ho Chi Minh City

08:30-17:00: We visited a start-up model, showcasing Vietnam's entrepreneurial spirit, followed by a meeting with the Ho Chi Minh Youth Union. Our engagement with the Youth Culture House introduced us to Vietnam's Military Semester Program, enhancing our understanding of their youth military training.

### • Tuesday, 13th August 2024 – Ho Chi Minh City

09:30 – 14:00: We visited the Cu Chi Tunnels Relic, a critical site from the Vietnam War, illustrating the resourcefulness and endurance of the Vietnamese people. The afternoon was spent shopping at the Ben Thanh Market.

### • Wednesday, 14th August 2024 – Departure

07:00: The delegation had a final breakfast together before departing for our flight back to India.

### Photos of the program









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### Conclusion

The Youth Exchange Program to Vietnam was an enriching experience that deepened our understanding of Vietnam's history, culture, and military legacy. It also fostered meaningful connections between the youth of both nations. Through formal meetings, cultural exchanges, and historical tours, we strengthened diplomatic ties and expanded our global perspective.

I extend my sincere gratitude to the 1 HP Girls BN NCC Solan, ANO Lt. Pragya Gupta, and whole NCC JUIT for providing me with this invaluable support and opportunity to represent my country on an international platform.

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