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A crew of 15 students and 6 staff members (3 faculty includes Dr. Zahoor Ahmad Makhdoomi, Dr. Bashir Ahmad Dar and Prof. Asgar Rasool and 3 non-teaching) of Govt. Degree College (Boys) Sopore went on a high altitude trekking from 30th July to 5th August 2017. They covered a distance of 60 Kms starting from Aru Phalgam to Sumbal Sonomarg. The crew climbed from 7958 to 13201 feet altitude with a total walk for 27 hours.

The journey started from Govt. Degree College (Boys) Sopore campus by College Bus to Aru Phalgam followed by night stay at Aru base camp. In the next morning (31st July) the crew started trekking from Aru Phalgam to Liderwat covered a distance of 9 Kms., followed by night stay at Liderwat camp. On 1st August the group trekked distance of 6 Kms. to Skiwas. On the same day the group visited Zadisar Lake. The group was fascinated by observing the transparent flow of water between the cleavages of mountains. Next morning (2nd August) the group travelled to Tarsar Lake, followed by visit to Marsar lake. The group faced rains during their trekking towards Tarsar lake. At the Tarsar lake the group discussed many aspects of the lake with nearby Gojjars. According to their belief, there is presence of two floating graves and a group of pigeons usually spent their time on the shore of lake.

The crew around 5 p.m. travelled back to the Skiwas base camp and stayed there for night. On 3rd August the crew shifted towards Sundarsar lake. All the group members were mesmerized by observing the surrounding view and performed Zuhar Payer on the banks of beautiful lake. On the same day the group moved to Sonmasti and spend night there. 4th August the crew travelled towards final destination Sumbal Sonmarg and stayed there for night and on the next morning the group returned back to the college campus.

After making milestone by snatching the title “first college high altitude trekking group” they discussed everything whatever they observed during the trekking with other members of College. The discussion made everyone to feel proud about the natural beauty of the valley as well as all the members put forwarded their names for incoming events like this. The group thanked worthy Principal Prof. (Dr.) Mushtaq A. Lone for providing logistic support including the availability of latest equipments in the college for trekking purposes. In addition the worthy



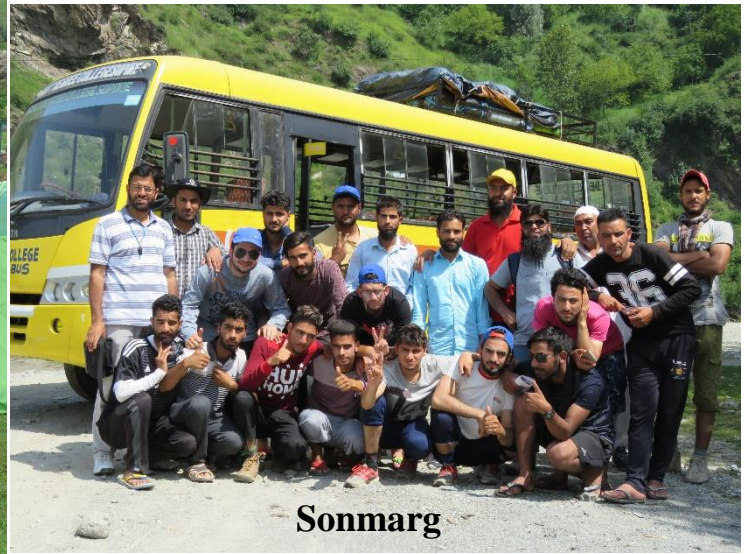
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Principal thanks Dr. Peerzada Rafiq for initiating trekking activities in the Govt. Degree College (Boys) Sopore.

Trekking Photographs



Aru



Sonmarg



Sonmasti



Sonmasti



Tarsar lake



Marsar lake