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ADVENTURE VISIT OF BSF SCHOOL CHILDREN TO BANGLADESH

On 17 Feb 2019 at about 0830 hours, Border Security Force, Salbagan, Agartala organized a special '**Sending off Ceremony**' at International Check Post (ICP) Agartala to see off and wish best of luck to 24 BSF Children visiting Bangladesh on a 'Five Days Friendship Visit'.

The group of children comprising of 14 Boys and 10 Girls represented three different BSF Frontiers of Guwahati, Mizoram and Cachar and Tripura. This function was being organized under the chairmanship of Sh. Ashok Kumar Yadav, DIG/PSO, acting Inspector General of BSF Tripura Frontier. This visit of BSF children to Bangladesh was a part of Confidence Building Measures agreed upon between Director General BSF and Border Guards Bangladesh. The border guarding forces of both the countries have been conducting such visits on regular basis every year on reciprocal basis. In a similar programme arranged by BSF South Bengal Frontier during the month of Feb 2019, a group of Bangladeshi school children had earlier visited India and taken to different parts of the country.

While addressing BSF children and troops present on the occasion, Sh. Ashok Kumar Yadav, DIG/PSO, acting Inspector General, BSF Tripura expressed his happiness on this occasion and further added that such moments are indeed matter of pride and glory for BSF and parents of BSF children. Elaborating on the details of the programme, the chairman also said that Five Days visit programme involves both road and air journey from ICP Akhaura to Sylhet. BSF children will be exposed to excursion and hiking in rocky and plateau areas of Jaflong in Sylhet district. They will also

have the opportunity to visit Ratargul forest area to see Mangroves which are sustainable in marshy land and water. After having visited places of attraction in Srimangal and Sylhet, BSF children will further be undertaking onward journey by flight from Osmania International Airport Sylhet to Dhaka where children will be staying for three days to visit various monuments, historical places and picnic spots. The prominent places amongst them are National Museum, National Martyrs' Monument, Gazipur Safari Park, BCDM Ranjendrapur and Dhaka Cantonment area. The BSF children will be staying in Border Guards Bangladesh main Headquarters located at Peelkhana for consecutive three days and enjoying the warm hospitality of their counterpart. During their stay at Peelkhana, the students of BGB run Public College better known as Birshreshtha Noor Mohammand Public College will be organizing a cultural programme for the entertainment of BSF school children on third day of their visit. On 21 Feb 2019, BSF children will be returning back to their respective locations through ICP Agartala.

Both BSF and BGB hope that the programmes like visit of school children to Bangladesh and India will not only acquaint their children with rich social and cultural heritage of both the countries, but it will also go a long way in strengthening the ties and friendly relationship between two Border Guarding Forces.


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