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The educational tours organized by the Colleges appear to have become a ritual rather than an opportunity for exposure of the students to achieve the objectives underlying the idea. The College Management is required to exercise sound judgement in selection of the locations of visit in a manner that leads to acquaintance of the students with the institutions of repute, places of historical importance and organizations involved in dissemination of information relevant to the curriculum so as to enrich the knowledge bank of the students and give them an exposure to the practical application of knowledge. It has also been noticed that the students in full strength vis-à-vis the authorized ceilings do not avail of the facility.

It is, therefore, enjoined on all the heads of educational institutions to ensure the maximum participation of students in the educational tour programmes outside the State during the long vacations, depending on the location of the College in summer or winter zone, as the case may be. On their return from the tour programmes, interaction sessions with other students of the Colleges should be organized to create an opportunity for such students to share their experiences and the knowledge enrichment with fellow students. The Administrative Department should be posted with the stay arrangements, itinerary, agencies entrusted with the responsibility of arranging facilitation services, the staff accompanying the students and all related details before the tour is undertaken and also apprise about the post tour interaction programmes conducted for sharing of experiences with their colleagues.

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