GEOLOGICAL FIELD VISIT REPORT

Date of Visit: 12.11.2025

Location: Shimla – Shalli Tibba and Khatnol Area

Organised by: Department of Geology Centre of Excellence, GDC Sanjauli

A one-day geological field visit was conducted on 12 November 2025 to the Shalli Tibba-Khatnol region near Shimla, organised by the Department of Geology, Government Degree College Sanjauli and generously sponsored by the Centre of Excellence, GDC Sanjauli. A total of 41 students took part in the academic excursion under the supervision and guidance of Faculty Coordinator Dr. Laxmi Versain and Lab Assistant Sh. P. L. Sharma. The primary objective of this field trip was to provide students with practical exposure to Himalayan geology, enabling them to observe lithological variations, structural features, and geomorphological processes directly in nature. The area around Shalli Tibba and Khatnol presents an excellent natural laboratory for geological study due to its diverse rock formations and wellpreserved structural characteristics. During the visit, students identified and examined significant lithological units including limestone beds, phyllites, and quartzites. The limestone exposures displayed distinct bedding planes and changes in thickness, indicating episodes of varying depositional conditions. The phyllites showed characteristic foliation and sheen, suggesting low-grade metamorphism typical of the Lesser Himalayan region. Meanwhile, the quartzites, being hard and resistant, formed prominent ridges and exhibited well-developed joint sets, offering students an opportunity to study weathering patterns and structural controls on landscape evolution.

In addition to lithology, several important structural features were observed throughout the field area. Students examined examples of folds, including anticlines and synclines, clearly reflecting the compressional tectonic forces active during the Himalayan orogeny. Evidence of **faulting** was also present in the form of minor fault planes and displaced rock layers, which helped students understand the nature of crustal deformation. Furthermore, multiple joint sets cutting across quartzites and limestones demonstrated the role of brittle deformation in shaping rock masses and influencing erosion patterns. Another significant geomorphological feature observed was the presence of river terraces, which highlighted past phases of river downcutting and provided insights into the region's climatic and tectonic history. These terraces served as natural indicators of landscape evolution and offered students a broader perspective on the dynamic interplay between geological processes and surface features. Overall, the field visit proved to be an enriching experience, successfully meeting its objectives. Students gained hands-on training in rock identification, measurement of structural elements, interpretation of geological histories, and understanding field relationships between

different units. The guidance provided by Dr. Laxmi Versain and Lab Assistant Sh. P. L. Sharma contributed greatly to the academic value of the excursion. The visit not only strengthened classroom learning but also inspired students to develop a deeper interest in geological fieldwork and research.

MEDIA COVERAGE OF THE VISIT





















LIST OF STUDENTS

DEPTT. OF GEOLOGY, GDC, SANJAULL-ONE DAY FIELD VISIT: 12.11.2025

The following students of GDC Sanjauli, Deptt.of Geology has made a one-day geological field visit FROM Shimla to Shalli Tibba area and back on dated 12.11. 2025. The expenditure incurred as per follows:

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9	Palak	250	240	490	Shuhika		
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13	Aryaveen Rathore	250	240	490	Elyan.		
4	Tazul Chauhan	250	240	490	Albaveer		
5	Laveesh Thakur	250	240	490	Opauhan		
6	Ritik Sharma	250	240	490	Louish		
7	Ashwin Sharma	250	240	490	Roll		
8	Sahil Rana	250	240	490	Ashun		
9	Prajwal Sharma	250	240	490	5		
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Dated: 11.11.2025

OFFICE ORDER

Dr. Laxmi Versain, Assistant Professor, Geology, and Mr. Pyare Lal, Laboratory Attendant, have been deputed along with students of Geology dept. to visit Shali Tibba for Geology field visit tomorrow, i.e, 12th November, 2025. They are hereby relieved from their duties with effect from 11th November. 2025 (AN).

Principal

Centre of Excellence GC Sanjauli, Shimla-6 11th November, 2025

Endst. No. Even. Dated, Copy to information please:-1. Individuals concerned.

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Centre of Excellence GC Sanjauli, Shimla-6

Dated 12.11.2025.

To The Principal, Centre of Excellence, Government College Sanjauli, Shimla (H.P.)

Subject: Request for permission to conduct a one-day Geological Field Visit to Shali Tibba and adjacent areas on 12.11.2025.

Respected Madam,

With due respect, it is submitted that the Department of Geology intends to organize a one-day geological field visit to Shali Tibba and adjacent areas on 12th November 2025 for the students of B.Sc. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd year. The purpose of this visit is to provide practical exposure to geological formations and field techniques, which are an essential part of the curriculum.

A detailed list of the students participating in the field visit is enclosed herewith for your kind perusal and necessary approval.

You are therefore requested to kindly grant permission to conduct this one-day geological field visit.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Yours faithfully, Laxmi Versain (AP)

Deptt. Geology

Annexure: Total Students: Faculty:

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List of students

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