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REPORT NAGPUR CENTRAL JAIL VISIT

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A central Jail Visit was organized by Symbiosis Law School, Nagpur for the students of the elective subject of Penology and Victimology along with the LLM students. The visit aimed to assess the conditions of the prison facilities, evaluate the living conditions and rehabilitation programs for inmates, and understand the daily operations and security measures implemented within the prison. The Nagpur Central Jail, one of Maharashtra's major correctional facilities, houses male and female inmates convicted or awaiting trial. The jail is known for implementing various rehabilitation programs to aid in the reform of inmates. The objective was to examine the effectiveness of jail administration, assess the welfare and rehabilitation programs.

During the visit we observed the living conditions of the inmates. We were also shown the kitchen and how all the inmates are given a proportional and balanced diet keeping in mind the various health conditions of each inmate. Each inmate is given proper health facility and adequate basic necessity. There is a counselor in the jail who looks into the mental health for the inmates who are having a difficult time especially the prisoners kept in solitary confinement. It was mentioned how each inmate is distinguished based on the band colour they have on their uniform sleeve. The colours are namely, black, yellow and red.

Further, the Superintendent of Police (SP) of the Central Jail spoke to the students and explained the working of the jail and the procedure with respect to the Criminal Procedure Code, 1973. Various other topics were discussed like how women inmates are allowed to be with their children upto a certain age and what protection are given to them, the difference between parole

and furlough. The difficulties on the jail management was also spoken about and management. At the end of the visit, we were taken to the workshop where things were made by the inmates were sold. Overall it was a fruitful interaction and a good learning experience.



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