

## Karnataka Silk Industries Corporation Limited (KSIC) (2019-20)

26<sup>th</sup> Sept 2019

An Industrial visit to Mysore was organized by the Department of Commerce and Management, MES Institute of Management College, Rajajinagar on 26<sup>th</sup> Sept 2019. The two Industries which were covered in the visit were Karnataka Silk Industries Corporation Limited, Karnataka Soaps and Detergents Limited. Providing students an exposure about Practical working environment was the aim of the Industrial visit. The students of I and IIyear BBA, were very enthusiastic to understand the elaborate process of the manufacture of the distinct silk weaving looms of the ... silk Sarees.

Students understood how silk threads are made and how they are immersed in dyes of bright colors and dried. Loading of silk threads on to huge bobbins is another sight to see. But the most astonishing sight was that of the weaving looms on which the colorful threads are magically transformed into soft silk fabrics having brilliant designs. Students also gained insight into how the finest gold threads are intricately incorporated into the borders to create dazzling zari borders. The zari borders are the special characteristics of the Mysore silk sarees and give them their special identity. The whole process leaves one with a sense of fascination and wonder.

The students were amazed to see the real time process of theory put into practise, which gave them much more clarity in the concept. The students were introduced to dyeing unit, where they were exposed to the colour dyeing and drying process. That was the end of the stay at the factory.

had enough oil in stock but they were planning to start operations for a few months at the earliest. A guided tour was organized for the students to understand the workings of the factory. A guide who had been nominated, took us around the factory and explained the process in great detail.

The setup has large industrial boilers, condensers, vats and store rooms and the air is heavy with the scent of sandalwood. The guide explained the process of powdering the wood, the laborious process of boiling, distilling, condensing and extracting the oil. A store on the premises sells a variety of products made with the oil including soaps, incense sticks, cosmetics and perfumes.

Students also got inkling into the process of Saponification and learnt about acids and bases, organic chemistry, Hydrolysis, Commercial/cash crops and fermentation. Students were also shown the procedure of extracting oil from wood (cutting, chipping, disintegrating wood, distilling the precious oil, filtering and re-filtering). The Industrial visit, was insightful and the students felt proud about being born in Karnataka. The Sri Gandhadha Nadu.











## Sandalwood Oil Factory

Visit to Sandalwood Oil Factory: - MESIOM organized a one day visit to Sandalwood Oil Factory on 26<sup>th</sup> Sept 2019 for the I and II year BBA students. The only soap in the world made from 100% pure sandalwood oil is the Mysore Sandal soap. The Government Sandalwood Oil Factory was established more than a century ago in 1917 to harvest the oil to be used for a variety of purposes, most importantly the state's signature and reconic sandalwood soap. There are strict restrictions on the felling of sandalwood trees and hence the factory might sometimes be closed, but it was well worth the visit. When Students visited it, Students were informed that the factory was not in operation for 3 months as they hadn't