## OUTDOOR PHOTOGRAPHY SESSION AT THE CHOLAMANDAL ARTISTS' VILLAGE, INJAMBAKKAM, CHENNAI



On 28th January 2023, the CAJ students went on a field visit to Cholamandal Artists' Village. Over 80 students participated in the visit and were accompanied by faculty Dr. Krishnapriya and Mr. Peer Mohamed. Students were briefed about the place and the kind of photography they can experiment with. With a view to develop creativity and as an outcome of the trip, students were given the task of producing a photo essay.

The CAJ students spent the entire day at the place capturing on camera the beautiful sights of the village by the sea. They interacted with the fishing community and got a glimpse into their lifestyle. Students captured the scenes at Injambakkam - fishermen venturing into the sea with their small boats, mending fishing nets and the humble abode of fisher folk.

On their return to the Artists' Village, the CAJ students attended the art camp and interacted with six artists from different parts of India. Alamu Kumaresan, Anil Ijeri, Lokesh BH, Rani Rekha, Sandeep S, Santhamani Muddaiah were the artists exhibited their works in different forms.

The day trip included a visit to the gallery which had exhibits of many artists along with the posters on the history of the unique art movement in South India. Cholamandal Artists' Village is an outcome of the Madras Art movement, which has now become a site of tourist attraction and artists from all over the world.

Outside the gallery, the students explored the sculpture garden. A shoot for a Television serial was going on, the CAJ students had the opportunity to witness the shoot, camera and lighting arrangement and met the artists as well.

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