

INDO- INDONESIA CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM'25 REPORT

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TENURE- 21st October- 27th October 2025

DAILY REPORT-

Day 1 –

21st October (Tuesday): Arrival in Bali

- We arrived in Bali after a transit flight from Delhi- Singapore- Bali. We were welcomed by two teachers from the school (one being Ms. Ayu who is a former student of our school)
- The hotel near the airport so we immediately checked into the hotel and took a rest after the long journey.

Day 2 –

22nd October (Wednesday): Visit to One Earth School

- We received a warm welcome from teachers and students from the school; they picked us up from the hotel.



- The students showcased their band performance and Balinese dance. The students also presented a brief history

about the culture and traditions of Indonesia.



- Additionally, we presented the brief presentation we made about India (Delhi).



- In the afternoon, after a day long activities the students served us Indonesian lunch and dinner at the school.



- After going back to our hotels and resting, we headed back to school for the evening pooja and sang bhajans at Anand Ashram.
- To end the day, we visited **Legian Beach**.



Day 3 –

23rd October (Thursday):

- We started the morning by joining the school assembly



- The student council prepared fun activities for us. Some of us took part in fun activities like treasure hunting and basketball, while others made posters showing Indian and Indonesian cultures, and presenting them in front of the groups.
- Their school currently had their Literacy week where students had to participate in competitions such as Debating, Essay Writing, and Speech.
- The Debate Competition had several preliminary rounds where the motions were impromptu.



- After returning back to the hotel, we went to **Potato Beach Club** and visited a nearby beach as the programmes for the youth and karate, yoga were cancelled.





- We had dinner at an Indian restaurant.

Day 4 –

24th October (Friday): Last Day at One Earth School

- It was our final day visiting the school. We sang Indian songs and danced.



- Afterwards, we were dismissed from the assembly and headed to our class.

- It was their market day, where students set up their own stalls (similar to slow-food) and sold their items such as food, jewelleries etc...



- The schools gave us certificates and a token of appreciation i.e a cup. Before leaving, we clicked pictures with our friends

and exchanged gifts with each other.



- We went to a shopping complex called - Krishna where we bought souvenirs and clothing items for our friends and families in India.

Day 5-

25th October (Saturday): Exploring South Bali

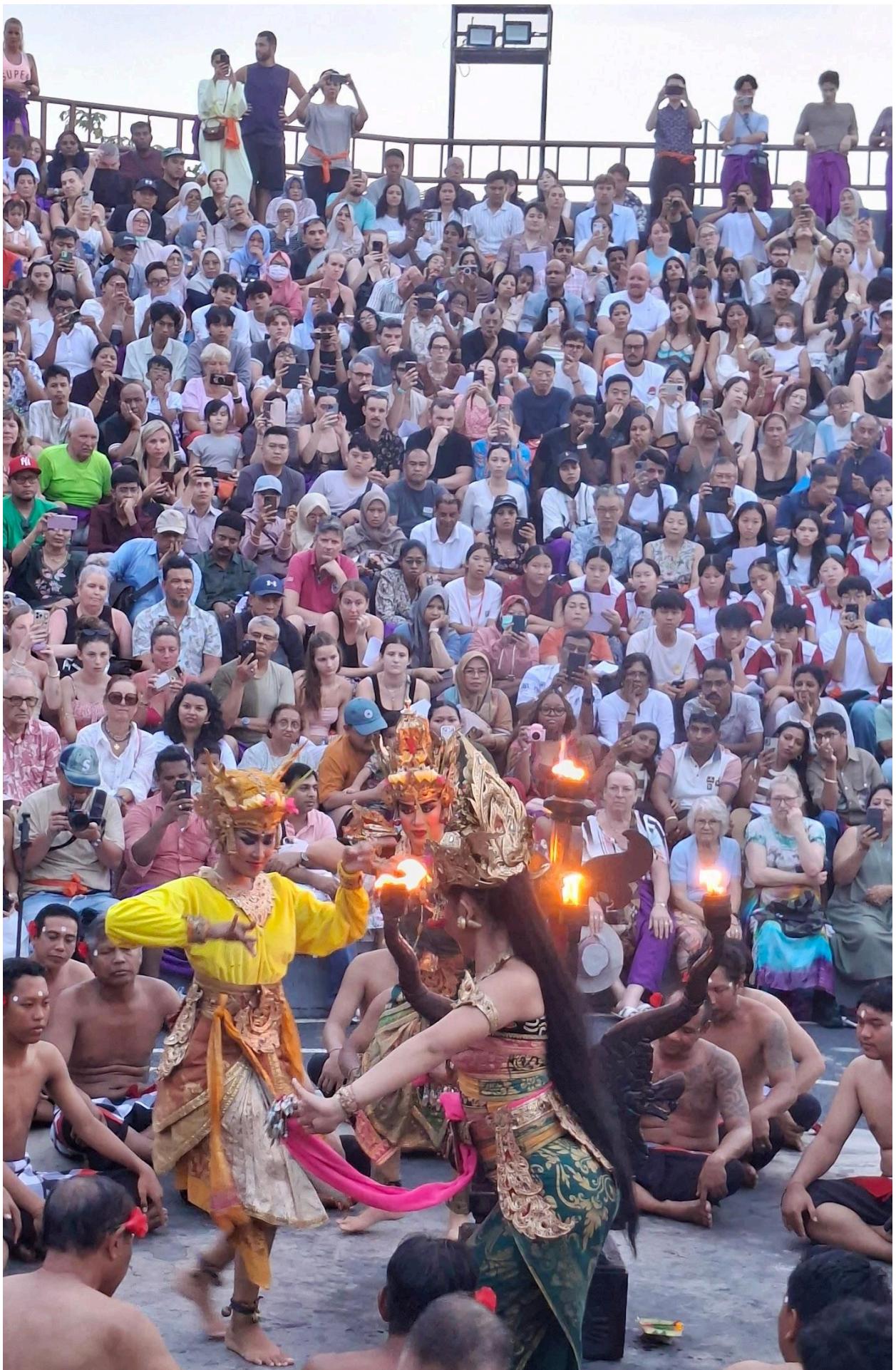
- We first explored Nusa Dua and visited a beach in the morning. Ki



- Afterwards, we explored Garuda Wisnu Kencana Cultural Park and looked around the various statues of the gods from hindu mythology and admired its beauty.
- In the evening, we watched the famous Kecak dance performance at Uluwatu during sunset.







Day 6 –

26th October (Sunday): Adventure and Sightseeing

- Started the tour by our visit to the Ubud Palace



- Explored Ubud Art Market and saw beautiful local crafts.



- We went to Kedisan (Rice Terrace) and enjoyed adventurous activities- Bali swing, zip line, bridges etc...
- Had our farewell dinner at an Indian restaurant.
- We returned to the hotel, packed our luggage for tomorrow.

Day 7 –

27th October (Monday): Departure

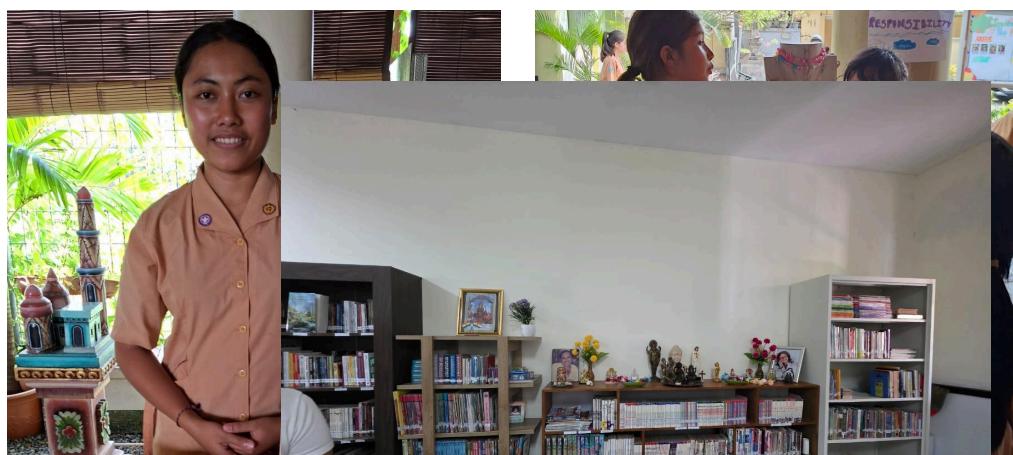
- We left the hotel early and reached the airport by 7:30 AM.
- We boarded the flight back to India.
- We felt emotional but grateful for all the amazing memories and experiences.



MORE PICTURES OF THE SCHOOL:



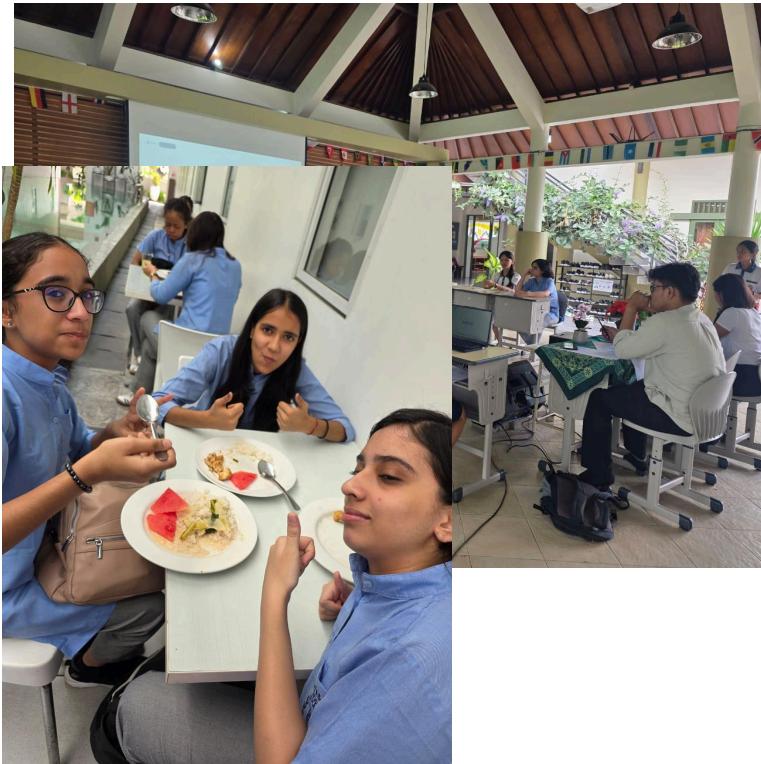
MARKET DAY PICTURES:



ACTIVITIES PICTURES



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EXPERIENCES FROM STUDENTS:

Nelly Christopher

My personal experience of the cultural exchange trip to Bali was enriching and unforgettable. At One Earth School, we were warmly welcomed by teachers and students whose friendliness made the small campus feel like home. I was shocked to know that there were only 4 students in the whole of class 11! Whereas in our school, it was more than 10 times the no. of students. I took part in their Debate Competition, where my team won, and I was honoured to receive the “Best Speaker Award”. Furthermore, I observed that the school deeply valued music, and human values such as independence. A prime example of this could be students cleaning their own school yards, classrooms and washing their utensils after every meal. Their traditions, like greeting teachers with “pranam”, felt familiar, reminding me of Indian values. As far as religion was concerned, despite Hinduism being prominent, I was amazed by how secular the community was; churches stood beside temples, and students sang the Lord’s Prayer in Indonesian. The city life, especially at nighttime, was lively and full of tourists roaming around the streets of Bali. Although we visited beaches mostly at night, I’d love to visit more of them in the evening, to watch the beautiful sunset painted on the sky with no pollution blocking them. After our time in the school, we explored Ubud and Uluwatu which was also another fascinating experience as we visited popular tourist attractions like- Garuda Wisnu Kencana, Uluwatu Temple, and Ubud Art Market, Kecana- Rice Terrace ending the trip with adventure activities like Zip lines, bridges, bali

swings etc... In a nutshell, I would love to revisit Bali to relive its warmth, beauty, and unforgettable cultural experiences once again.

Keerthana Subramaniam

During my visit to Bali, I had a wonderful experience exploring its unique culture. For the first three days, we went to One Earth School, where the students gave us a warm welcome with a graceful Balinese dance. The school taught us the value of unity in diversity and focused on learning through real life experiences rather than textbooks. We also did our own daily tasks like washing dishes and cleaning, which taught us to be independent. On the last day at school, we performed Indian cultural and Bollywood dances and sang songs to share our culture. Later, we explored different parts of Bali. We watched the exciting Kecak Dance based on the Ramayana, visited the grand Garuda Wisnu Kencana, the fourth largest statue in the world, and enjoyed the serenity of its beaches. This trip taught me respect, confidence, and the joy of new friendships. Overall it was a fun trip which I thoroughly enjoyed.

Yashika Singh

Our recent trip to Bali was an unforgettable experience. We had the pleasure of interacting with the students of One Earth School, who were sweet, soft-spoken, and incredibly helpful. Sharing our Indian culture with them and learning about their Indonesian traditions was truly enriching. The students' warmth and hospitality made us feel welcome. We also enjoyed exploring the beautiful streets of Bali, it was a new adventure, taking in the stunning landscapes. The trip was a perfect blend of learning,

cultural exchange, and fun. It broadened our horizons, fostering greater understanding and appreciation for different cultures. We're grateful for the experience and the memories we created. The trip was indeed refreshing and rejuvenating, and we'll cherish it forever.

Vanlalmalsawmkimi Hnamte

Our trip to Bali was an amazing and eye opening journey since it was my first time leaving my own country. Before reaching Indonesia, we first landed at Singapore Airport, which was one of the most impressive airports I've ever seen. We explored around and experienced many exciting things there—it honestly felt like a mini adventure before the actual trip began. My first impression of Indonesia, though, wasn't exactly the best—one of the airport security guards shouted at us for no reason . For a second, I thought, "Well, this is off to a great start." But once we met other Indonesians, my opinion completely changed. Everyone was so sweet , kind and welcoming. On the second day, we visited One Earth School , where we were greeted warmly. We spent about three days there, learning about their culture, school routines, food, and traditional dances. We also made a lot of new friends . Apart from school activities, we explored palaces, temples, and beaches. My favorite was the Garuda Wisnu Kencana Cultural Park—it was breathtaking. Although the trip was quite tiring, I had an amazing time. Our teachers guided us with patience and care, making sure we were safe, learning, and enjoying every moment.

Amay Sharma

Our cultural exchange program in Bali was an incredible journey that combined learning, adventure, and friendship. We immersed ourselves in Indonesian culture, made meaningful connections with local students, and explored the island's stunning natural beauty. From traditional dance performances to thrilling activities like Bali swing and zip line, every moment was filled with excitement and discovery. This experience not only deepened our understanding of Indonesian culture but also taught us valuable lessons about adaptability, teamwork, and cultural appreciation. We're grateful for the opportunity to have been a part of this enriching experience.

Shrehaan Singh

In this trip to Bali, Indonesia I had an amazing time and experience because of how great and successful it went alongside the fact that this was my first time visiting a foreign nation . During the first 3 days we visited One Earth school who are collaborating with our school to bring both our and their students together and what a fantastic time I had there as they had different rules and regulations and system of their school which gave me an idea of how schools run in other countries outside India . One of the key things I noticed was the discipline as there people cleaned their own plates after eating and food was served in school by students themselves and also collected and washed them which is a great practice to teach students about hygiene and discipline . The students were also very friendly and never made me believe for even some time that I was a foreigner and talked to me and laughed with me as if I knew them from ages which showed their great hospitality and friendship . If i talk about places that we

visited they gave as much fun to me as the school did as we travelled to multiple beaches which were majestic and went to places like Ubud palace , Bali swings , Garuda Vishnu temple and even watched the Traditional Kechak dance of Bali based on Ramayan . This also showcased the age long relation of Indonesia and India dating back to the Kalinga and Chola period . Last but not least when we went to the airport to return back to India I was sad that this trip had come to its conclusion but also was happy that I was able to enjoy it to its fullest and made various new friends and gained exposure which I would never forget.

Hitesh Kumar Dhawan

We recently returned from a 7-day cultural exchange program in Bali, Indonesia, where we experienced the rich culture and traditions of the country. We visited One Earth School, participated in traditional dance performances, and made posters showcasing Indian and Indonesian cultures. We also explored South Bali, visited temples, and enjoyed adventurous activities like Bali swing and zip line. The trip was an enriching experience that broadened our horizons and helped us understand the culture and traditions of Indonesia. We made new friends, created unforgettable memories, and are grateful for the opportunity to participate in this exchange program

Atharva Sharma.

We had an awesome week in Bali! We started by checking into a comfy hotel with super nice staff. The best part was visiting One Earth School for two days. We learned about their cool teaching,

hung out with the students, and made lots of new friends—they were so welcoming! After that, we hit the famous beaches and checked out ancient temples to learn about local traditions. We also grabbed souvenirs at the markets. The food was great, especially the amazing Balinese meals at the school. We ended the trip with happy memories and great friendships!