

## Visit to the Asiatic Society

Library Society of Loreto College organized a visit to the Asiatic Society, Kolkata, on April 7, 2022. 14 Under Graduate students from 3rd year along with two staff advisors visited the Asiatic Society. During the visit, students learned about the methods used to preserve century-old books and manuscripts. They also explored various historical artefacts, including colonial-era maps of Kolkata, rocks with etchings from the Maurya Dynasty, and many other valuable exhibits.

### Learning Objectives:

1. To understand the importance and techniques of preserving ancient manuscripts and artefacts.
2. To explore the cultural and historical context of India through primary historical sources.
3. To develop observational and analytical skills by examining original historical objects.
4. To foster appreciation for archival institutions and their role in preserving heritage.

### Learning Outcomes:

1. Students will be able to describe basic preservation techniques for ancient books and manuscripts.
2. Students will recognize the historical significance of artefacts from different eras, such as the Maurya Dynasty and colonial Kolkata.
3. Students will demonstrate increased awareness of India's archival and conservation efforts.
4. Students will develop a deeper respect for heritage institutions and the importance of cultural preservation.

