

Name of the event: Educational Visit to Kolkata Book Fair 2026

Category: Experiential Learning

Date: 2nd February 2026

Time: 12 pm onwards

Venue: Central Park Mela Ground, Salt Lake, Kolkata

Organising Unit: Department of Sociology, RKSMVV

No. of Participants: 06 students and 03 faculties

Brief Description of the Event: The Department of Sociology of Ramakrishna Sarada Mission Vivekananda Vidyabhavan (RKSMVV) organized an educational visit to the Kolkata Book Fair on 2nd February 2026 for students of Semesters 1 and 5. The visit was designed as a co-curricular exposure to the world of literature, culture, and contemporary discourse beyond the classroom setting.

Faculty members accompanied the students to the Central Park Mela Ground, Salt Lake, where the Book Fair was held. Known as one of the largest book fairs in Asia, the Kolkata Book Fair served as an ideal space for students to explore a wide range of academic texts, literature, journals, and regional as well as international publications.

Outcome of the Event:

The outing allowed students to interact directly with booksellers, and fellow readers. They navigated through various stalls, including those dedicated to philosophy, sociology, history, political science, gender studies, and world literature. A special emphasis was placed on locating texts and authors relevant to their academic curriculum and personal interests.

The visit fostered a sense of independent learning and curiosity, inspiring students to view learning as an ongoing, enjoyable process. It strengthened the relationship between faculty and students, reinforcing the importance of experiential learning beyond traditional classroom boundaries.

