

From 26th May 2013 to 16th June 2013 a group of 19 students and two teachers went on an educational Exchange to Rangsdorf, Germany.

This exchange programme on the project 'Water – the elixir of life' was sponsored by the Robert Bosch Foundation. The project started in the month of August 2012. It had a weekly plan and students from both the countries participated in it. The analysis and comparison of the statistics of the project from the both countries was uploaded on the common platform i.e. www.pasch-net.de. Through this exchange programme the learning outcome for Indian students was as follows:

- After completing the project "water – The Elixir of Life", the sensitivity towards water has increased in the group.
- They understood the fact that Indian population had great impact on all the natural resources, be it water or fuel in India. They also learnt that the climatic conditions have a major impact on the consumption of water. Because of good rains, the water table is high in Germany.
- Germans generally drink carbonated water.
- In Germany ground water is used as potable water.
- The huge Sewage Treatment Plant in Germany cleans the water to pour it in their rivers. It is not used for any other purpose.
- By staying with the German families for a good 21 days the students showed their adaptability.
- They learnt not only the culture and life style of Germans but also showed active interest in following it. They learnt their dance and shared Indian dance with them.
- In the beginning the students found the food very bland and tasteless but gradually their taste buds got accustomed to German Food.
- Robert Busch foundation has initiated and funded this project to enhance the learning of the German language. This exchange has helped the students a lot because they stayed with German families and communicated with them in German. After initial problems they soon became fairly fluent and were able to interact well.