

**Report
Bali Trip 2025**

Dates-25th September 2025-1st October 2025

Suncity School International Academia organized an international trip to Bali, Indonesia from 25th September 2025 to 1st October 2025. Twenty students from international academia (lower secondary and IBDP) and CBSE (grade XI) were accompanied by two teachers (Ms. Deepa Gandhi and Mr. Arun Arora) along with one journey mentor from Edterra Edventures (Mr. Anupam Srivastava). The trip was designed to accomplish the following goals:

- a. fulfill the criteria of CAS (Creativity, Action and Service)-a core subject of IBDP**
- b. foster international-mindedness, leadership skills in students and offer an insight into a new culture and way of life**

The students assembled at the Indira Gandhi International Airport, Delhi on 25th September 2025. The excitement was palpable as they bid adieu to their parents, looking forward to an incredible trip with their friends. In Bali, the students were greeted with garlands at the Ngurah Rai International Airport and were escorted by the local tour guide for a city tour of Denpasar, the capital of Bali. The students' encounter with Balinese culture had truly begun with a **visit to the Bajra Sandhi monument**, a testament to the struggles of the Balinese people throughout history. On their way back from the monument, the journey mentor introduced the **media projects** that the students were expected to complete on the trip. These included the **Young Author's Program, Blogs and Podcast**. With ground rules and expectations set, students retired to their allocated rooms at the Bali Rani hotel.

After a sumptuous breakfast, the students geared up to explore two popular tourist spots, namely the **Ubud Monkey Forest** and **Tanah Lot temple**. The Monkey Forest is a sacred sanctuary, home to over 1200 Balinese long-tailed macaque monkeys. The serene environment inhabited by friendly monkeys delighted our students. The 16th century Tanah Lot temple is one of Bali's seven sea temples, dedicated to the sea god Baruna. The iconic temple stands on large coral rock and offers stunning views of the Indian Ocean. The students also witnessed local handloom weaving and printing machines in action. The trip moved on to another day of exciting activities for our students. The **Jungle Safari** brought the students close to wild animals and gave them a chance to click pictures with birds, snake and feed elephants. The highlight of this day was the **world renowned Kecak dance at the Uluwatu temple**. The dance, witnessed by people from different nationalities, depicted four scenes from the Ramayana. The much familiar epic was presented in a completely novel way, without any musical instrument. The students were impressed by the unique style of storytelling and marveled at the connection between the two cultures of India and Bali.

The group headed to another culturally significant temple called the **Ulun Danu temple** (dedicated to Goddess Danu) that sits on Lake Beratan. With the rain gods smiling on our students, it was a pleasant drive up to the mountainous region where the temple is situated and a wonderful day to be out exploring Bali. Students visited a **chocolate factory** en route, where they saw the process of making chocolate, tasted many flavours and even bought chocolates for their families back home. The visit to **Jatiluwi, famous for its vast and terraced green rice fields** left a lasting impression on the students. Another highlight of the trip was **the visit to Green School**, famous for its **focus on sustainability and integration of nature and conservation in the curriculum**. It is home to over 500 students from across

the globe and features innovative **bamboo architecture, use of renewable sources of energy and nature-based learning**. The students were curious to know more about the place and raised many questions for our host. They explored various parts of the school, played football in the field and even interacted with a class VII Indian student studying in the school. They were happy to walk back with a new perspective and a Green School tote bag, given to them by the school as a souvenir.

The trip was well organized by the team at Edterra Adventures. All the requirements such as accommodation, transport, local guide, meals etc were taken care of. The food served on the trip was nutritious, delicious and catered to different preferences. Meal options included vegetarian, non-vegetarian, Indian, Continental, Chinese and local Balinese cuisines.

The students had an immersive experience of the Balinese culture. They were complemented by the local guide for their impeccable conduct on the journey. The group returned to the Delhi airport on the evening of 1st October 2025 with fond memories of Bali.







