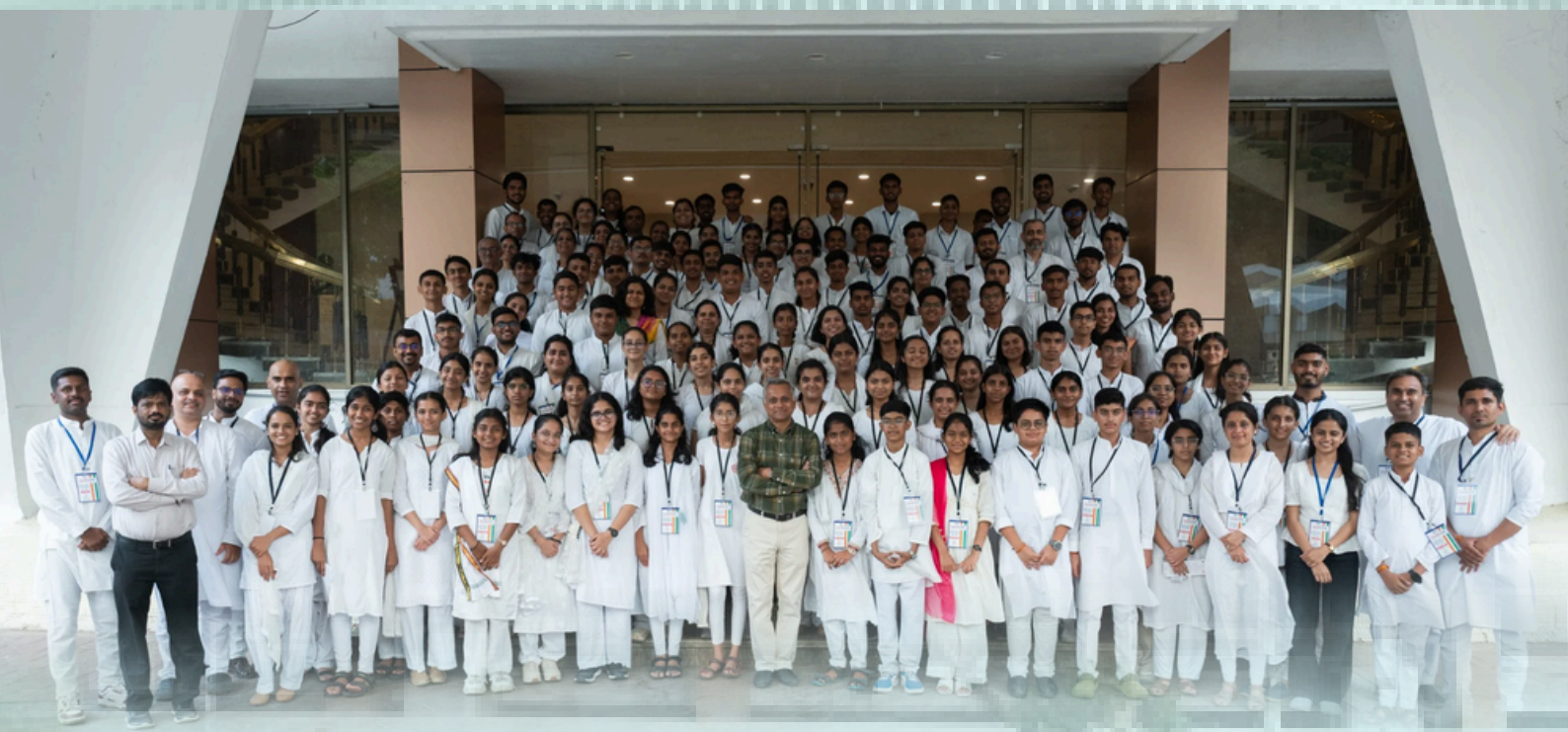
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# Vidhan Bhavan Visit 2026

## Feedback Report



# 13 Years of Belief, 3 Hours of Inspiration:

For years, Skool Sansad has believed that democracy is best understood through experience, not just textbooks. Through parliamentary simulations, debates, and student-led discussions, young minds have been introduced to the values of participation, responsibility, and constitutional thinking.

The visit to Vidhan Bhavan on **24th April 2026** marked a historic milestone in this journey. What began as a student parliament initiative transformed into a real-life democratic learning experience, where Student Members of Parliament witnessed the actual functioning of the Legislature they had long simulated within Skool Sansad.

Walking through the **Assembly, Council Hall, Central Hall**, and **committee rooms** gave students a deeper understanding of governance and legislative processes. The guidance and encouragement extended by **Mr. Nagnath Thite, Joint Secretary at the Maharashtra Legislature Secretariat**, made this interaction deeply meaningful, while the curiosity and active participation displayed by the students reflected the true spirit of Skool Sansad.

More importantly, the visit changed the perspective of many students towards politics and governance. It helped them see politics not merely as a subject of debate, but as a powerful medium of public service, decision-making, and social responsibility.



# 13 Years of Belief, 3 Hours of Inspiration:

The experience inspired students to look at democracy with greater awareness, For many students, the visit became a moment of realization that democracy is not just governed by institutions, but strengthened through the participation and accountability of its people.

What made these three hours even more special was the journey behind them - a dream nurtured through 13 years of consistent efforts, learning, and belief in the power of youth participation.

For all of us at **Deepastambha Charitable Trust**, this was not only a visit to the Legislature, but the realization of a long- awaited vision and a meaningful step towards creating informed, responsible, and participative citizens of tomorrow.

We are deeply grateful to **Mr. Nagnath Thite** and the entire team of the **Maharashtra Legislature Secretariat** for making this enriching and unforgettable experience possible.







A Collective Journey Towards Responsible Citizenship :
Student MPs, Mentors and Volunteers -
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I am writing to share my feedback regarding the recent visit to the Mumbai Vidhan Bhavan with the Skool Sansad team of Deepastambha Charitable Trust.

The Mumbai Vidhan Bhavan carries a distinct aura and a profound sense of grandeur that immediately evokes a feeling of pride in our democracy.

A special mention goes to Mr. Thite, who explained all the specifics and intricate details of the Vidhan Bhavan with great care and depth. Furthermore, being able to visit the Chief Minister's office and the Deputy Chief Minister's offices was truly a special and amazing experience.

I am very grateful to Deepastambha Charitable Trust for making this possible, standing on the floor of Vidhanbhavan is next level experience.

**-Chinmay Joshi, Volunteer.**





Visit to Vidhan Bhavan was nothing but as spectacular experience that left me speechless. Stepping on the same floor where all the respected leaders have once stepped itself was a moment that gave me goosebumps.

Seeing the places that have always been saw in television and news a dream come true moment. A lecture delivered by Nagnath Thite Sir added a lot to my little knowledge and at the end, the picture taken with all the Deepastambha family will always be a memory hard to forget!

Just saying thank you to the Deepastambha family won't be enough but words would really fall short to brief the experience and to show gratitude!

**-Samruddhi Shinde, Mentor.**

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My visit to Vidhan Bhavan was a memorable and educational experience for me. It was my first time visiting such an important government building, and I felt very proud while entering it. The grand architecture, disciplined environment, and strict security arrangements impressed me a lot. The surroundings were clean and well maintained, and the officials guided visitors politely. During the visit, I observed different sections of the building and learned about the functioning of the legislative assembly. I understood that important decisions for the welfare of the people are taken there. Watching the assembly proceedings was one of the most exciting moments of the visit. I saw how ministers and MLAs discuss public issues and work together to make laws and policies for society. This experience increased my knowledge about democracy, governance, and the responsibilities of public representatives. I also learned the importance of discipline, cooperation, and leadership. The visit inspired me to become a responsible citizen and stay aware of social and political matters. It was different from learning only through textbooks because I got practical knowledge by seeing everything directly. I enjoyed the visit very much and clicked some memorable photographs there. Overall, my visit to Vidhan Bhavan was informative, inspiring, and unforgettable, and it became one of the best educational experiences of my life.

**-Kaushal Kale, Student MP.**

The visit to Vidhan Bhavan on 24th April was an enlightening experience that truly gave us a meaningful understanding of the functioning of democracy beyond our textbooks.

After the security check, we were guided through the premises and shown the important sections of Vidhan Bhavan. This helped us learn more about the legislative process, public responsibility, and the value of active citizenship. The visit was not only informative but also highly inspiring, as it allowed us to witness the heart of democracy from very close.

I would especially like to thank Mr. Nagnath Sir for his thoughtful guidance, patience, and valuable explanations throughout the visit. His support made the experience more engaging and memorable for all of us. This day will always remain special in my memory because it strengthened my respect for democracy and deepened my interest in public service.

At the end, I sincerely thank Team Skool Sansad and Deepastambha Charitable Trust for making this wonderful and unforgettable opportunity possible.

**-Soham Dhule, Student MP.**

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Before this visit, the Vidhan Bhavan was something most of us only knew through textbooks, newspaper articles, or classroom discussions. We understood its importance, but it still felt far removed from us — like a place meant for leaders, not students. That changed the moment we stepped inside.

Through Deepastambha and Team Skool Sansad, we got an opportunity that many students never get to experience so closely. Walking into the Vidhan Sabha itself was exciting, but standing on the actual floor where important discussions and decisions take place made the entire experience feel real in a completely different way.

For a few moments, politics stopped being just theory. Looking around the assembly, it was impossible not to think about the number of people represented in that room and the responsibility attached to every conversation held there. It gave us a glimpse into the significance of governance in a way no classroom explanation really can.

What stayed with me after the visit was the feeling that democracy is not something distant from young people. It is something we are already connected to, whether through our voices, our opinions, or the choices we make as citizens. Experiences like these make that connection easier to understand.

In a time when political conversations often become noise online, visiting a place like the Vidhan Bhavan reminds students that governance is built on discussion, responsibility, and participation. It is a reminder that institutions matter, and so does staying informed about them.

More than just an educational visit, this experience gave me perspective. And for that, we remain genuinely grateful to Deepastambha and Team Skool Sansad for making it possible.

**-Mahek Sayed, Volunteer.**

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Hence, after our Skool Sansad session was over, all the Student Members of Parliament (MPs) were very curious about the surprise planned for us by Deepastambha Charitable Trust, which turned out to be an invitation to visit Vidhan Bhavan. On 24th April 2026, we Student MPs finally met once again with great excitement and enthusiasm to enter Vidhan Bhavan.

The members of Deepastambha Charitable Trust provided us with new identity cards to enter the State Legislative Assembly. We were allowed to carry only our Aadhaar cards with us, which reflected the strict discipline and behavioural rules followed in the parliamentary system. This helped us understand the seriousness, responsibility, and discipline required in democratic institutions.

I am very thankful to Shri Nagnath Thite Sir, who guided us and helped us develop a new perspective on the functioning of Parliament and the Legislative Assembly. He explained the deeper meaning of symbolism, discipline, transparency, and democratic values followed in parliamentary procedures. He also discussed the advantages and challenges of current affairs in the context of democracy and governance. His guidance inspired me to think about the future progress and development of India, and how I could contribute to my nation through my career.

Through this experience, I understood that politics is not only about dealing with conflicts, but also about thinking from different perspectives and leading society towards democratic and holistic development.

It taught me the importance of leadership, responsibility, decision-making, and public welfare. Observing the offices of the Chief Minister and Deputy Chief Ministers, standing in the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha halls, and sitting in the Central Hall made me feel proud of my decisions, efforts, and participation in Skool Sansad. It gave me the feeling and responsibility of being a real Member of Parliament.

I gained tremendous knowledge through this entire journey with my friends, mentors, and members of Deepastambha. I sincerely thank Deepastambha Charitable Trust for giving me this valuable opportunity to experience the role and responsibilities of an MP during the visit to Vidhan Bhavan and through Skool Sansad activities.

**-Tanishk Pathak, Student MP**

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24th April 2026 - this was the day when I got to experience something which I never imagined I would!

We always see the attractive building of Vidhan Bhavan in Mumbai on the television and come to know about various important activities happening inside it in the news. The decisions taking place here impact the lives of all the people in Maharashtra.

Because of Team Skool Sansad and Deepastambha, I got a chance to not only be inside this incredibly important building for more than 4 hours, but had an opportunity to know about a lot of interesting aspects of our state's democratic processes. Honorable joint secretary of Vidhan Sabha - Shri. Nagnath Thite himself explained it to all the students, mentors and members. The most incredible thing was, he also gave us a tour of the offices of Maharashtra's honorable CM and DCMs. That was truly a mesmerizing experience.

After listening to all the details which Thite Sir shared with us, I realised that what we call as democracy is a very deeply thought out logical process. It is designed for the well-being and progress of the citizens and the representatives that we elect carry a big responsibility. Hence, we also need to careful and sensible when we elect them.

I express my heartfelt gratitude towards team Skool sansad and Deepastambha Charitable Trust for this unique opportunity which gave us the memories to cherish for a lifetime.

**-Amruta Page, Volunteer.**







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Our visit to the Vidhan Bhavan was a wonderful and memorable experience. I was really impressed by the classy and luxurious nature of the building. The design and detailing of Vidhan Bhavan were extremely beautiful and gave a feeling of royalty. Every part of the building looked well planned and grand.

During the visit, I saw the cabins of all three Chief Ministers of Maharashtra, which was very exciting and inspiring. I also visited both the Vidhan Sabha and Vidhan Parishad halls. It was interesting to see where the Chief Minister and other members sit during the sessions. Our guide explained the difference between Vidhan Sabha and Vidhan Parishad in a very simple and informative way.

Hon. Thite Sir explained all the information in detail and made the visit enjoyable and memorable for everyone. Because of his guidance, I learned many new things about the working and history of the Maharashtra government.

Overall, this visit increased my knowledge about democracy and government functioning. I was really impressed by the architecture, discipline, and atmosphere of Vidhan Bhavan. It was truly an unforgettable experience.

Thanks to the Skool Sansad team and Deepastambha Charitable Trust.

**-Yash Sasane, Student MP.**

The visit to Vidhan Bhavan was extremely informative and helped me understand politics and governance beyond what is taught in textbooks. Being able to see the Sabha Gruha, ministers' cabins, and learn from Thite Sir made the experience even more meaningful.

My favourite part of the day was visiting the ministers' cabins and getting the unique opportunity to briefly wear their shoes, which made the experience even more memorable. It genuinely increased my interest in politics and improved my understanding of parliamentary functioning.

I am sincerely grateful to Deepastambha Charitable Trust (DCT) for giving us this opportunity to visit the Vidhan Bhavan after participating in the Skool Sansad.

**-Afrah Dinghankar, Student MP.**

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When I walked into the Vidhan Bhavan, I expected to focus on the building's design and structure, but I was immediately struck by the powerful sense of authority instead. Before this visit, politics felt like a distant landscape of chaos and bias. However, walking the same corridors as the CM and MLAs, I felt the true weight of the "engine" that runs our state.

The absolute highlight was the insight shared by Joint Secretary Nagnath Thite. He didn't just explain the history of the house; he ignited a fire of inspiration within us. This visit served as a total perspective-changer. I moved from seeing democracy as a noisy friction-point to understanding it as a space of immense effort and coordination. I now feel a genuine drive to track the discussions within those walls and engage more deeply with the political process.

Walking through those halls, I couldn't help but wonder: if these walls were granted a voice, what secrets would they spill? What echoes of history—of fierce debates, hushed compromises, and the quiet weight of democracy—still vibrate within this stone?

I am incredibly grateful to the Skool Sansad team and the Deepastambha Charitable Trust for this opportunity. You didn't just give us a tour; you gave us a seat at the table of realization. If these walls could speak, they'd echo the quiet weight of responsibility—a weight I now respect more than ever. This wasn't just a visit; it was a dream realized.

**-Vaishnavi Khune, Volunteer.**



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On 24th of April, the whole team of Skool Sansad went to Vidhan Bhavan. It was the best experience in my life till now!!! In the morning we reached Mumbai further in the afternoon a pass was given to all the members of Skool Sansad. At first we went to the lobby where real MLAs sit and discuss various things. Then after we went to office of Mr. Eknath Shinde sir and Mrs. Sunetra Pawar ma'am, I noticed there were antique things rather than the modern ones. I felt as a youth of Maharashtra we should maintain our culture rather than running towards the western one. Soon we went to Vidhan sabha ( lower house ) and it was totally green colour from carpets to chairs soon Mr. Nagnath Thite sir told it is so because the house represented our agriculture. Then we went to Vidhan Parishad ( upper house) it was red, also an emblem was there on the main person's Chair.... The reason it was due to representation of royalty. After we went to Central hall and had discussion with Mr. Nagnath Thite Sir about our history. I realised the structure was circular and honeycomb like.... I wondered why. The real reason behind it was that the building represents honeycomb, MLAs represent honeybees and their knowledge represents honey, it is expected that the knowledge in MLAs should be deposited in this structure... The reason was excellently cleared by Mr. Nagnath Thite sir. Overall the experience was amazing, and fabulous. I learned many new things about the working of the government and enjoyed the visit a lot. The visit left a positive impression on me and helped me understand the importance of legislative institutions....I felt like a real MLA.

**-Kavya Khose, Student MP.**

स्कूल संसद या अभूतपूर्व अनुभवानंतर शेवटच्या दिवशी आम्हाला विधान भवनाच्या भेटीचे आश्वासन देण्यात आले . सर्व आप्त स्वकीय यांनी खूप गोष्टी सांगितल्या होत्या. त्या सर्व ऐकीव माहितीमुळे मी उत्कंठेने या सुवर्ण संधीची वाट पाहत होतो. अणि माझ्या सर्व अपेक्षा या भेटीनंतर पूर्ण झाल्या उलट त्याही पेक्षा अधिक पटीने हर्षद अशी ही सफर होती.

श्री. नागनाथ थिटे सर यांच्या माहिती व अभ्यासपूर्ण मार्गदर्शनामुळे आम्हाला केवळ माहितीच मिळाली नाही तर मराठी भाषेतील दृष्टांत अलंकाराचा सूचक अवलंब केल्यामुळे प्रबोधनही झाले.

आपल्या देशात आज राजकारणाकडे अत्यंत वाईट दृष्टीने पाहिले जाते. परंतु आजच्या तरुण पिढीने सुशिक्षितरीत्या देशाच्या हितासाठी राजकारण पादाक्रांत करणे महत्त्वपूर्ण आहे अणि असा संदेश आम्हाला मिळाला. आणि आज मी आम्हा सर्व विद्यार्थ्यांच्या वतीने आश्वासन देवू इच्छितो की आम्ही सर्व नक्कीच राष्ट्राचे सुजाण नागरिक होवू व देशाला एका नव्या उंचीवर पोहोचवण्यासाठी शर्थ करू.

**-गोपाळ पणशीकर, विद्यार्थी खासदार.**

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Standing inside Vidhan Bhavan felt like more than just a visit—it felt like touching the heartbeat of democracy. The walls here don't just hold meetings, they carry the weight of decisions that shape millions of lives. As I walked through, I could feel a quiet fire within me, reminding me that this journey is not just about preparation, but about purpose.

Today I came as a visitor, but deep inside I know this isn't where it ends—one day, I will return here not just with dreams, but as an officer, ready to serve, lead, and make a difference.

Thank you DCT for this great opportunity!

**-Kedar Yadav, Volunteer.**



**A Pilgrimage to the Temple of Democracy**

Stepping into Vidhan Bhavan felt less like entering a government building and more like a pilgrimage to the Temple of Democracy. The atmosphere was thick with a sense of divinity and immense power, sparking a genuine hunger within me—not just for status, but for a deep, academic understanding of how our legislative system breathes.

The experience was nothing short of transformative. While the Vidhan Sabha was impressive, the Vidhan Parishad felt even more profound, carrying an aura of quiet wisdom and history. Witnessing the dignified poise within the authoritative cabins was a masterclass in leadership; it left me with a burning motivation to study harder and commit myself to this sector. This wasn't just a tour; it was a wake-up call to earn my place through merit and relentless hard work.

A true highlight was the incredibly insightful session led by Nagnath Thite Sir at the Central Hall. His ability to break down complex governance into such engaging concepts was remarkable. I am profoundly grateful to the Deepastambha Charitable Trust for facilitating this prestigious exposure. This journey has fueled my ambition and sharpened my focus, and I owe this newfound clarity of purpose to the mentorship of Deepastambha and the wisdom shared by Nagnath Thite Sir.

**-Rutuja Mulye, Secretary Panel.**

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On 24 April, I got an amazing opportunity to visit Vidhan Bhavan in Mumbai through the Skool Sansad competition organized for the students who reached the final round. It was one of the most memorable experiences of my life. We reached Vidhan Bhavan at around 1 PM. As soon as we arrived, we were told that except for an Aadhaar card copy, no other material was allowed inside the premises. Security was very strict, and we were instructed by the security staff to stand properly in queues. Even entering the building felt very special and important. I felt excited because places like Vidhan Bhavan are usually not open for common people.

After completing the security process, we were taken to the Pigeons Lobby where we all sat together. The atmosphere there itself felt powerful and different. Soon, we were welcomed by Mr. Nagnath Thite, Joint Secretary for Maharashtra Legislature Secretariat. He interacted with us very politely and explained many important things. Then we were given a complete tour of Vidhan Bhavan. We visited the cabins of the Chief Minister and Deputy Chief Minister. Seeing those offices in real life gave me goosebumps because these are the places where major decisions for the state are taken.We were also shown the conference rooms and antichambers. Every place inside Vidhan Bhavan had its own importance and history. Later, we were taken to the Vidhan Sabha and Vidhan Parishad. It was truly a surreal moment for me. I had only seen these places on television before, but standing there in real life felt unbelievable. We learned that the colour of Vidhan Sabha is green while the colour of Vidhan Parishad is red. These small details were very informative and interesting to know. The officials explained the difference between Vidhan Sabha and Vidhan Parishad in a very simple way. I understood how laws are discussed and how important debates happen there. It made me realize how government decisions directly affect the lives of common people. I also understood the importance of handling geopolitical crises carefully because every decision has an impact on the real world. Listening to all this made me think more deeply about our country and its administration.

After the tour, we had a high tea session. Later, we attended a deep and informative session with Mr. Thite Sir. He explained to us how Vidhan Bhavan was built, why it is important, and how laws are formed. His words were very inspiring and motivating. I felt proud to witness such an important institution so closely at the age of 15. The session ended with group photographs, and it became a memory I will always cherish.

This visit was not just educational but also emotional for me. I felt inspired, excited, and grateful throughout the entire experience. It was truly mind-blowing to witness everything from such a close distance. I thank Deepastambha Charitable Trust and Nagnath Thite Sir for giving me this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. This experience increased my respect for our government system and the people working for society. I will always remember this beautiful and unforgettable day.

**-Drushti Nipurte, Student MP.**

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**“Some dreams stay in our hearts for years,
and one beautiful opportunity turns them into reality.”**

I often looked at monumental government buildings from the outside, treating them as fortresses of power meant for someone else. But standing on the actual floor of the Maharashtra Vidhan Bhavan was a reality I finally got to live. This was no ordinary experience; it was worth more than years of classroom learning.

When we stood at historic central hall and thumped the tables, the sound didn't just fill the room—it rattled something deep inside me. It was a profound reminder that the voices in that chamber carry the weight of millions of citizens. Being in that sacred space made me realize that our generation isn't just the future audience of governance; we are its future caretakers. This powerful institution has planted the seeds of great aspirations within me.

I left the Vidhan Bhavan with more than just a memory; I left with a renewed sense of purpose. It reminded me that our voices have power, our actions have consequences, and the future of our democracy depends entirely on the passion we bring to the table. And I aspire to revisit the table again.

**~Shamsundar Shinde, Mentor.**



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Recently, I got an opportunity to visit Vidhan Bhavan. I was selected for the second round of the Skool Sansad competition, and as part of this opportunity, I got the chance to visit this important place.

It was one of the most exciting and educational experiences of my life. I was very happy because I had only seen this famous building on television and in newspapers before.

When we reached Mumbai, I was amazed by the large and beautiful building of Vidhan Bhavan. The security arrangements were very strict. After completing the checking process, we entered the building. The atmosphere inside was calm, disciplined, and very professional.

We were taken to the assembly hall where important discussions and decision-making take place. I learned how ministers and Members of the Legislative Assembly discuss problems related to the state and make laws for the welfare of people. Watching the proceedings closely increased my interest in politics and governance.

During the visit, we also learned about the history and importance of Vidhan Bhavan. The guides explained many interesting facts about how the government works. I felt proud to see the center of democracy in Maharashtra.

I am very thankful to Deepastambha Charitable Trust and Mr. Nagnath Thite for giving us this wonderful opportunity to visit Vidhan Bhavan. Because of their support and guidance, we were able to learn many new things about the working of the government and democracy. This visit became a memorable and inspiring experience for all of us. I will always remain grateful for this valuable opportunity.

This visit was not only enjoyable but also very informative. It helped me understand the importance of responsibility, leadership, and democracy. I will always remember this wonderful experience of visiting Vidhan Bhavan, Mumbai.

**-Mohit Ramraje, Student MP.**

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My visit to the Vidhan Bhavan will always be important and Fortunate page of my Life. Observing the functioning of the legislative system from within the very halls where important discussions and decisions take place gave me a completely new perspective on democracy and governance. The discipline, coordination, and responsibility which reflected deep inside the Vidhan Sabha perplexed me.

One of the mast memorable moments of the visit was Taking seats in the central hall, where both the houses of Vidhan Sabha meet. It made me realize that democracy is not just a concept in theory, but a Living system built on accountability, Discipline ,and dedication towards the welfare of people.

I express my heartfelt gratitude to Shri Nagnath Thite Sir, the Vidhan Sabha bureaucracy, Skoal Sansad team, and Deepastambha Charitable Trust for providing us with such a valuable opportunity . Their efforts in guiding and inspiring young minds Like us are truly commendable.

This visit strengthened my understanding of civic responsibility and motivated me to become a more aware, disciplined, and Useful asset for my country. Special Thanks to revered Nagnath sir for providing us with these Unforgettable memories of Vidhan Sabha. This will become An indispensable part of Our Lives whenever we will educate others regarding Democratic Legislature, bureaucracy and Civic responsibility.

Thank you for this unforgettable Learning experience.

**-Nishank Bhimnath, Student MP.**

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My name is Muskan Arun Jaiswal, and I am a student of Shirke High School. I belong to Ratnagiri and was an active participant in Skool Sansad 2025–26. I am writing this reflection on our recent visit to Vidhan Bhavan.

Although I had only seen the Vidhan Sabha in textbooks and on television, witnessing its architecture in real life was truly magnificent. I felt as if I was standing at the centre of our state's heartbeat — a place where the future of millions is shaped through important decisions and intense debates. It is not just a building; it is a space where visionary ideas and policies are created.

This experience profoundly changed my perspective on democracy. Earlier, democracy felt distant to me — something that existed only in large institutions and government systems. However, this visit made me realize that democracy is not just a system of government; it is a living and breathing responsibility shared by every citizen.

I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to the entire Team Skool Sansad for organizing such an insightful and empowering visit. I am also deeply grateful to Deepastambha Charitable Trust for providing us with this unique opportunity. I feel proud and thankful to have been a part of Skool Sansad 2025–26.

**- Muskan Jaiswal, Student MP.**

My most cherished moment from the tour was the lecture by Shri Nagnath Tithe Sir, Joint Secretary of Vidhan Sabha. He explained how laws are actually debated and passed, which gave me clarity beyond what textbooks teach. Seeing the Assembly Hall where our state's decisions are made, and hearing Sir emphasize our duties as citizens, made democracy feel real. The experience inspired me to not just study civics, but to live it.

This visit was made possible by Skool Sansad and Deepastambha Charitable Trust. Both organizations bridge the gap between textbooks and the real world. They have given us a voice, a platform, and now this first-hand experience of governance. Their efforts have truly shaped how I see my role in India's future.

I sincerely thank team Skool Sansad and Deepastambha Charitable Trust for this opportunity and for believing in student leaders.

**-Anandi Kulkarni, Student MP.**

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I am NIRWANI GAIKWAD from Bharat samanta party. My visit to the Vidhan Bhavan was one of the ,most memorable and inspiring experiences for me. When I stood inside the Vidhan Sabha and Vidhan Parishad halls, I felt amazed and proud. It was a unique experience to witness the place where important discussions and decisions for the welfare of people were made. The structure and architecture of the Vidhan Bhavan became the most cherished moment of my visit. It was truly a proud moment for me to explore such an important place connected to our democracy.

This visit changed my perspective on democracy in a meaningful way. Earlier, democracy had only been a topic in textbooks for me, but after this visit, I understood how it functioned in real life. I realized the importance of leadership, public service, and the responsibility of citizens in building a stronger nation. This experience inspired me to become more aware and responsible as a citizen.

I sincerely thanked the Skool Sansad team and Deepastambha Charitable Trust for organizing such an educational and inspiring visit. I was also grateful to my mentors, Payal Rouniyar and Dhananjay Kulkarni, for their guidance and support throughout this experience. This visit gave me valuable knowledge, confidence, motivation, and unforgettable memories.

**-Nirvani Gaikwad, Student MP.**

विधान भवनाच्या वास्तूमध्ये पाऊल ठेवताना मला सर्वकाही स्वप्नवत वाटत होत. सर्व पदाधिकाऱ्यांची कार्यालये पाहताना मी अगदी भारावून गेले. त्यानंतर विधान सभा व विधान परिषदेला भेट दिली. तेव्हा सचिव नागनाथ थिटे यांनी आम्हाला सर्व बारीकसारीक गोष्टींची सविस्तर माहिती दिली आणि सर्व शंकाचे निरसन केलं.

तेथील वातावरण अतिशय ऊर्जादायी व मनात नवी स्फूर्ती निर्माण करणारे होते. आपल्या संपूर्ण राज्याचा सर्व कारभार हा या भवनातून चालतो आणि तिथे आज मी उभी होते या गोष्टीवर माझा विश्वास बसत नव्हता . लोकशाही आणि शासन ही केवळ पुस्तकी संकल्पना नसून, ती एक जिवंत जबाबदारी आहे याची जाणीव मला तिथे झाली. स्कूल संसद मध्ये आपली कामगिरी पार पाडताना किती मेहनत करावी लागली हे माझ्या लक्षात होते. जेव्हा संपूर्ण राज्याची जबाबदारी आपल्यावर असते तेव्हा किती कष्ट करावे लागतील याची मी फक्त तिथे उभी राहून कल्पना करू शकत होते.

स्कूल संसद या स्पर्धेत भाग घेतल्यामुळे मला हा अविस्मरणीय अनुभव अनुभवण्याची संधी मिळाली यासाठी मी 'स्कूल संसद' टीम आणि 'दीपस्तंभ चॅरिटेबल ट्रस्ट'ची मनापासून आभारी आहे. आम्हा तरुणांना नेतृत्वाची प्रत्यक्ष ओळख करून दिल्याबद्दल आणि आम्हाला एक जबाबदार नागरिक बनण्यासाठी प्रेरित केल्याबद्दल धन्यवाद. तसेच या नियोजनबद्ध क्षेत्रभेटीबद्दल विधान भवन समितीचेही मन:पूर्वक आभार !!

**-भौमी मोरे, विद्यार्थी खासदार.**

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## PERSPECTIVES THAT INSPIRE CHANGE







My visit to Vidhan Bhavan was truly an unforgettable and inspiring experience. As a student participant in Skool Sansad, I felt proud to witness the place where important decisions for our state are discussed and made. The most memorable moment for me was observing the functioning of the Assembly and understanding how democracy works in reality, beyond textbooks. Standing on the floor where big politicians stand and debate made me really appreciate the moment.

This visit changed my perspective on democracy by helping me realize that every citizen's voice matters and that responsible leadership plays a very important role in society. It inspired me to become more aware, active, and responsible as a young citizen of India who is only 13 years old.

I sincerely thank the entire Skool Sansad team and Deepastambha Charitable Trust for taking us to such a meaningful educational visit. Their continuous efforts to empower students through practical learning opportunities are truly admirable. This experience has motivated me to dream bigger, participate actively in society, and contribute positively to the nation in the future.

Thank you once again for this breathtaking and wonderful experience.

**-Shamika Deshpande, Student MP.**

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My visit to the Vidhan Bhavan in Mumbai on 24th April 2026 was an experience I will cherish for a lifetime. Walking through the grand corridors where Maharashtra's most important decisions are taken filled me with awe. The highlight of the day was standing inside the Legislative Assembly hall and observing the very benches from where lawmakers debate policies that shape the lives of millions. Witnessing the dignity of the chamber and the honeycomb architecture that houses our democracy left me truly inspired. The guidance of Nagnath Thite sir was also an eyeopener to the workings of the house.

This experience profoundly changed my perspective on democracy. I had always read about it in textbooks, but stepping into its living heart made me realise that democracy is not merely a system — it is a responsibility carried by each one of us. Understanding the seriousness with which our elected representatives function reminded me that every vote, every voice, and every citizen genuinely matters. I left the building feeling more aware, more engaged, and more proud of being part of this great democratic nation.
I sincerely thank the Skool Sansad team and Deepastambha Charitable Trust for arranging this incredible opportunity. Your efforts in nurturing young, informed citizens are truly commendable and inspiring.

**- Abhidnya Kulkarni, Student MP.**

The visit to Vidhan Bhavan on 24th April 2026 gave the opportunity to experience something many only dream of. Walking through the actual floors of the Vidhan Sabha and Vidhan Parishad — spaces we had only read about, discussed, and simulated for years — felt truly surreal. Visiting the cabins of the Hon'ble Chief Minister and Deputy Chief Ministers was also an unforgettable experience. At that moment, democracy did not feel distant; it felt real, alive, and deeply connected to all of us.

The detailed guidance and explanations by Nagnath Thite made every moment meaningful and insightful. Understanding the functioning of the Legislature so closely was an experience that honestly cannot be expressed completely in words.

Seeing the aim and vision of the team turn into reality was deeply inspiring, and I will always remain grateful to Team Skool Sansad and Deepastambha Charitable Trust for giving such a fabulous opportunity and a truly meaningful experience.

**-Radha Joshi, Volunteer.**

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Leader... A simple word, yet one filled with responsibility, courage, and the ability to solve problems for others. Now imagine a factory that manufactures leaders - Not machines, Not products. But individuals who understand society, listen to people, raise issues, debate with responsibility, and work towards solutions. That factory is India.

With the world's second-largest population and the largest democratic system, India perhaps creates more leaders than any other nation on Earth — leaders chosen directly by the people. From villages to cities, from classrooms to Parliament, leadership exists everywhere in this country.

As children grow up, we often hear them say: "I want to become an engineer.", "I want to become a doctor.", "I want to become a pilot or a chartered accountant." But how often do we ask a student: "Do you want to become a politician?", "Do you want to represent people?", "Do you want to solve public problems?" Somewhere, society forgot that politics, when driven with honesty and responsibility, is one of the most important forms of public service.

At DCT, we wanted students to understand democracy not just through textbooks, but through experience. That thought gave birth to Skool Sansad. A platform where students experience elections, debates, parliamentary discussions, governance, and the responsibility that comes with leadership.

What started 13 years ago in Pune with only a few schools has today become a movement connected with 850+ schools across Maharashtra. For 13 years, Skool Sansad has been silently nurturing future leaders of the nation.

And then came a moment that felt almost unbelievable. One fine day, the Student MPs of Skool Sansad got an opportunity to stand on the actual floor of the Maharashtra Vidhan Bhavan — the very place where elected representatives discuss, debate, and shape the future of Maharashtra. A place where one can stand only after being elected by the people.

For three memorable hours, the students who had once participated in a model parliament were standing inside the real temple of democracy.

It was more than just a visit - It was an emotion, A validation of 13 years of effort and A reminder that dreams built with sincerity eventually find their way into reality.

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This visit changed the way we looked at democracy, allowing us to witness the responsibility, discipline, and dignity of the Legislature from very close. More importantly, it gave many a new dream — to return to this very place one day through our own work, leadership, and contribution to society.

Who would have imagined, 13 years ago, that a small initiative started with a handful of schools would one day walk through the doors of the Maharashtra Legislative Assembly?
This historic experience was not only inspiring for the Student MPs, but also deeply emotional for every volunteer, ambassador, coordinator, mentor, and supporter who has been part of this journey.

I sincerely thank Team Skool Sansad, Deepastambha Charitable Trust, Nagnath Thite, and the entire Maharashtra Legislature Secretariat for giving us this unforgettable opportunity and such a meaningful learning experience.

The journey of building responsible citizens and future leaders continues.

Jai Hind!

**-Rushikesh Pokharkar, Volunteer,**



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**Team DCT with Mr. Nagnath Thite,**
**Joint Secretary at the Maharashtra Legislature Secretariat**

> **This experience was more than a visit - it was a deep dive into the heart of democracy. It strengthened our belief in the power of dialogue, participation, and responsible citizenship. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who guided, supported, and inspired us to dream, learn, lead, and bring change.**

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