

Safety Guidelines for School Visits to Junarbari Village & Eco Hub

Student safety is a shared responsibility between the school and Junarbari Village & Eco Hub. These guidelines are designed to support safe, well-supervised, and enjoyable educational visits.

1. General Safety Principles

- Teachers remain responsible for student behaviour and supervision at all times during the visit.
- Follow instructions given by authorised Junarbari guides, especially within the Museum, Eco Lab, Farm, and kitchen/restaurant areas.
- Students and teachers must stay within designated paths and activity zones; no one should wander off alone.
- Any hazard, spill, broken item, or injured animal should be reported to Junarbari staff immediately.
- Emergency exits and assembly points will be explained at the beginning of the visit—ensure students know where to gather if needed.

2. Supervision & Ratios

- Recommended minimum ratio: 1 adult for every 10–15 students (younger classes closer to 1:10; older students may be 1:15).
- Each visiting school should ensure there are at least two responsible adults present for any group.
- Every student must know which teacher or adult they are assigned to and stay with that group at all times.
- Teachers should position themselves so that the entire group remains visible, especially during transitions between areas.

3. Health, Medical & Allergies

- Collect health information and emergency contact details for all students before the trip.
- Identify students with allergies (food, dust, fur, pollen, insect bites) and share this information with Junarbari staff prior to the visit.
- Bring a basic first-aid kit including plasters, antiseptic, bandages, ORS, and any prescribed medicines students may require.
- Ensure at least one adult is trained or confident in basic first aid procedures.
- Instruct students to inform a teacher immediately if they feel unwell, dizzy, dehydrated, or scared at any time.

4. Area-Specific Safety Rules

A. Village Museum

- Walk, do not run, inside the Museum to avoid falls or collisions.
- Do not touch fragile artifacts or displays unless the guide clearly says it is allowed.
- Avoid leaning on or sitting on display structures, rails, or platforms.
- Use indoor voices to maintain a respectful and calm environment.

B. Eco Lab

- Follow all instructions from the facilitator during demonstrations and experiments.
- Wear any protective gear provided (gloves, masks, aprons, etc.) as required.
- Do not taste, smell, or handle any materials unless explicitly told that they are safe for students.
- Wash or sanitize hands after completing Eco Lab activities.

C. Petting Farm / Animals

- Approach animals calmly and quietly, preferably with a guide or staff member present.
- Do not shout at, chase, or tease animals in any way.
- Feed animals only with food provided or approved by Junarbari staff.
- Wash or sanitize hands thoroughly after touching or feeding animals.
- Keep faces and fingers away from animal mouths, hooves, and horns.

D. Outdoor Areas & Paths

- Walk carefully on uneven ground, slopes, and stairs; avoid running or pushing others.
- Stay with your group at all times and do not enter areas marked as restricted or private.
- Be aware of weather conditions; use sun protection (hat, sunscreen) or rainwear as needed.
- Drink water regularly to avoid dehydration, especially in hot weather.

E. Restaurant & Meals

- Wash hands with soap and water before and after eating.
- Inform a teacher or staff member immediately if there is any spill or broken glass/plates.
- Students with food restrictions or allergies must follow the agreed meal plan and avoid food sharing where allergies are present.
- Students should remain seated while eating and avoid running or playing in the dining area.

5. Emergency Procedures

- In any emergency, teachers should first ensure that students gather quickly and calmly at the pre-agreed Assembly Point (for example, near the main entrance or parking area).

- Junarbari staff will support the school in contacting local medical facilities or emergency services if required.
- Teachers should carry a printed list of all students and adults on the trip, along with emergency contact numbers.
- At least two charged mobile phones should be available among the teachers for communication with the school and Junarbari management.
- Follow school policy for reporting incidents and complete any necessary documentation after returning.

6. Student Do & Don't Quick List

DO:

- Listen carefully to your teachers and guides.
- Stay with your group and your assigned buddy.
- Respect local people, animals, and the environment.
- Keep the area clean by using dustbins and avoiding littering.
- Ask questions and participate actively in activities.

DON'T:

- Do not run, push, or play rough in activity areas or near animals.
- Do not touch equipment, displays, or animals without permission.
- Do not throw stones or objects at animals, buildings, or people.
- Do not climb fences, walls, or trees unless it is part of a supervised activity.
- Do not eat or drink anything given by strangers or outside the planned meal arrangements.

7. Pre-Departure Safety Checklist (for Teachers)

- ☐ Parent consent forms collected for all students.
- ☐ Student medical and allergy information compiled and shared with relevant staff.
- ☐ First-aid kit prepared and assigned to a responsible adult.
- ☐ Contact list of parents and school administration printed and/or saved on phones.
- ☐ Group lists with assigned teachers and helpers prepared and shared.
- ☐ Transport (bus/van) details confirmed, including timings and driver contact.
- ☐ Junarbari booking confirmation, address, and contact details printed or saved on phone.
- ☐ Weather forecast checked and students briefed on appropriate clothing and items to bring.
- ☐ Students briefed on behaviour rules, safety instructions, and learning objectives.
- ☐ Emergency meeting point and procedure explained to all teachers and helpers.