DA Building Tour for RMIT University, Melbourne Students

Architecture students from RMIT University Melbourne, Australia and RICS School of Built Environment, Noida, visited the Development Alternatives (DA) Headquarters on 29th August, 2018, to learn about the green technologies demonstrated through the building of the organisation. The building is best described as a living ecosystem: a fine balance of natural and man-made processes employing environment-friendly energy, material and water management methods. It is one of the first buildings in India that aims at Zero Emissions. Pankaj Khanna (Senior Consultant and Building Technology Expert, DA) and Srijani Hazra (Manager, DA) conducted sessions on roofing solutions like shallow dome, ferrocement channels and filler pot slab, and courtyard and fenestrations designs to improve ventilation and daylight inside building. The DA building symbolises Sustainable Consumption and Production practice through the use of resource efficient construction techniques that ensured capacity building of masons as well as awareness generation between the employees about sustainable consumption processes.