Study abroad participation by Americans in India

Why are HEIs in India interested in enrolling Americans?

What is expected of Americans in rural India?

What support systems will be provided?

Do they have International student offices?

Cultural immersion activities?

Transportation logistics?

Accept American health insurance policies/coverage?

Expatriate/Medevac services?

Reliable technology? Internet access? Wi-fi?

Medium of instruction? transferability of course for credits?

Financial incentive provided by the host institution?

Lodging and tuition costs?

Culture/language mentor(s)?

Legal representation in event of US student's legal problem?

English language instructional material?

Do HEIs provide scholarships for student athletes?

Desire to engage in long-term partnerships?

Desire to visit Bluefield State University?

Our Challenges:

What motivates Americans to study abroad?

What parts of the world do they favor? Why? How can we entice them to study in India? What incentives (financial, home stays, safety measures, etc.) will be provided?

How can rural HEIs abroad be made more attractive?

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