

In & Around Bhubaneswar



Dhuli Giri

Dhuli Giri hills are located on the banks of the river Daya, 8 km south of Bhubaneswar in Odisha. It is a hill with vast open space adjoining it, and has major Edicts of Ashoka engraved on a mass of rock, by the side of the road leading to the summit of the hill. Dhuli hill is presumed to be the area where the Kalinga War was fought, it is also known as the peace monument.



Pipli

A small village enveloped in a blaze of colour, 15 km South of Bhubaneswar, on the highway to Puri, is home of applique work. The craft originated to serve temples, providing intricately stitched coloured awnings and covers for deities and hangings for festival days, details on the craft. It is famous for designing beautiful Applique handicrafts. It is a town of artisans famous for their colourful fabrics.



Raghurajpur

A small village in Puri district, occupies a unique place in the cultural map of India. It is famous for its master Pattachitra painters. It is a heritage crafts village in Puri district, Odisha, known for its master Pattachitra painters, an art form which dates back to 5 BC in the region. It attracts thousands of domestic and foreign tourists. It is the first village to be developed as part of the rural tourism promotion project. Apart from that, the village is also home to crafts like Tussar paintings, palm leaf engravings, stone and wood carvings, wooden.



The Jagannath Temple, Puri

The Jagannath Temple of Puri is a sacred Hindu temple dedicated to Lord Jagannath and located on the eastern coast of India, at Puri in the state of Odisha. The temple is an important pilgrimage destination for many Hindu traditions, particularly worshippers of Lord Krishna and Lord Vishnu, and part of the Char Dham pilgrimages that a Hindu is expected to make in one's lifetime.



Konark Sun Temple (The Black Pagoda)

The name 'Konark derives from the combination of the Sanskrit words, Kona (corner or angle) and Ark (the sun), in reference to the temple which was dedicated to the Sun God Surya. The temple was originally built at the mouth of the river Chandrabhaga, but the waterline has receded since then. The temple has been built in the form of a giant ornamented chariot of the Sun god, Surya.



Chilika Lake

Asia's largest brackish water lagoon with water spread ranging from 1165 sq km in the rainy season to 906 sq km in the dry season is nestled in the heart of the coastal Odisha. Chilika is also home to millions of migratory birds known.

Attractions



Udayagiri and Khandagiri

The caves, 6 km from West of Bhubaneswar city centre, were chiseled out for the ascetic Jain monks, also has some inscriptions describing the exploits of king Kharavel. The Caves are partly natural and partly artificial caves of archaeological, historical and religious importance. It is believed that most of these caves were carved out as residential blocks for Jain monks during the reign of King Kharavela. Udayagiri means "Sunrise Hill" and has 18 caves while Khandagiri has 15 caves.



Mukteswara Temple

Mukteswara Temple is a 10th century Hindu temple dedicated to Lord Shiva located in Bhubaneswar, Odisha. The stylistic development the Mukteswar marks the culmination of all earlier developments, and initiates a period of experiment which continues for an entire century, as seen in such temples as the Rajarani Temple and Lingaraj temple, both located in Bhubaneswar. It is one of the prominent tourist attractions of the city.



Lingaraja Temple

Lingaraja Temple is a Hindu temple dedicated to Harihar, a form of Shiva and Vishnu and is one of the oldest temples in Bhubaneswar. The temple is the most prominent landmark of the Bhubaneswar city and one of the major tourist attractions of the state. The Lingaraja temple is the largest temple in Bhubaneswar. The temple represents the quintessence of the Kalinga Architecture and culminating the medieval stages of the architectural tradition.



Nandankanan

Nandankanan Zoological Park is a 400-hectare (990-acre) zoo and botanical garden. Established in 1960, It also contains a botanical garden and part of it has been declared a sanctuary. Nandankanan, literally meaning The Garden of Heavens, is located in the environs of the Chandaka forest, and includes Kanjia lake. About 20 km from city centre is a Zoo and a botanical garden surrounded by dense forest, famous for breeding of various endangered species, safaris and white tigers.



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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Greeting from the Organizing Committee of ISGCON 2017!!

We are delighted to welcome each one of you to our prestigious upcoming 58th annual conference of the Indian Society of Gastroenterology, (ISGCON) to be held in Bhubaneswar in 14th - 17th December 2017.

The Organizing Committee is working hard to put together an educational and scientific programme at ISGCON 2017. It will be a scientific feast for all those who attend. There would be many renowned International and National speakers who will share their expertise and knowledge in various areas of Gastroenterology like Luminal Disorders, Pancreato - Biliary Diseases, Hepatology, GI Oncology, Interventional GI Endoscopy, GI Physiology and Basic sciences.

Although this annual meet which is expected to be attended by more than 2000 delegates is major challenge for us, we are confident of providing world class amenities for the visiting dignitaries.

Conference city has a unique position by virtue of its ability to seamlessly integrate its rich cultural heritage with a strong regional economic base. Founded during the Kalinga empire over 3,000 years ago, Bhubaneswar today boasts of a cluster of magnificent temples, constituting a complete record of Odisha temple architecture from its early beginnings to its culmination.

Further, Bhubaneswar also plays an important role as a regional gateway to the **Golden Tourist Triangle of Puri, Konark, and Chilika Lake**. Its strategic geographic location along the east coast of India, has positioned Bhubaneswar to serve as the gateway to South-east Asia with easy access to existing and emerging ports, petrochemical and steel hubs at Paradeep, Kalinganagar, Dhamra and Gopalpur.

With both our hands joined together, we look forward to welcoming you to experience a whole new level of conferencing wrapped with traditional harmony and extended hospitality to the ancient city of temples.

With Warm regards



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