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Buddhist Pilgrimage Tour

Starts:- Mumbai

Ends :- Delhi

Duration:- 13 Nights /14 Days

Places Covered:- Mumbai - Aurangabad - Bhopal - Agra - Varanasi - Bodhgaya - Patna - Gorakhpur - Balrampur - Lucknow - Delhi

Day 01: Arrive Mumbai on Arrival Meet and Assist at the Airport and Transfer to Hotel. Overnight in Mumbai Hotel.

Day 02: After Breakfast, Transfer To Airport To Board Flight from Mumbai to Aurangabad. Arrive Aurangabad and Transfer to Hotel. Afternoon, Excursion to Ellora Caves.

Day 03: After Breakfast, Full Day Excursion to Ajanta caves. Later, Transfer To Jalgaon Railway Station(Railway station of Aurangabad) to Board Overnight Train to Bhopal. Overnight In the Train.

Day 04: Arrive Bhopal and Transfer to Hotel. Later, Excursion To Sanchi. Overnight in Hotel.

Day 05: After breakfast, Morning free at leisure and then in the afternoon, Transfer to Railway Station to Board Train to Agra. Arrive Agra and Check In at Hotel. Overnight in Agra Hotel.

Day 06: After Breakfast, City Tour of Agra. Visit The famous Taj Mahal, Red Fort & Itmad-Ud-Daulah. Evening, Transfer To The Railway Station To Board Train For Varanasi. Overnight In the Train.

Day 07: Arrive Varanasi. Pickup from the station and transfer to the reserved accommodation. Evening visit the Ghats of River Ganges for a mesmerizing Aarti (Prayer), where every evening at dusk, thousands of devotees and tourists gather on the steps of Dasaswamedha Ghat (River Bank) for the Ganges Aarti (Fire worship) ceremony. As the darkness descends, it's a highly charged spiritual extravaganza where oil lamps are lit, bells clang, incense burns and bhajans (devotional prayers) are chanted. Many devotees light a small basket of flowers and set it adrift on the Ganges. Overnight in Varanasi hotel.

Day 08:- Dawn boat ride on Ganges – Of all the experiences in Varanasi, there is nothing quite as humbling as an early morning boat ride on the Ganges. Set your alarm for a pre dawn start. The driver takes you to the Dasaswamedha Ghat or Assi Ghat (Ghat is the Hindi name for the river banks) for the

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ride. Sitting in your rickety wooden rowing boat, there's an eerie sense of peace on the river until the sunrise bathes the river banks in gold and reveals the moving theater of spiritual devotion. All along the river banks, crowds of people are bathing, performing praying ceremony, praying to the Sun god and washing away the sins of Life. During the day city tour like Vishwanath temple, Banaras Hindu University, Archaeological museum etc. & the Sarnath Temple tour which is 10 kms north east and is a thriving center for Buddhists. In evening, depart to Bodhgaya. Arrive Bodhgaya and Check In the reserved Hotel. Overnight in Bodhgaya hotel.

Day 09: After breakfast, Bodhgaya city tour covering Mahabodhi Temple and Niranjana River. Overnight in Bodhgaya Hotel.

Day 10: After Breakfast, drive to Patna. visit Rajgir and Nalanda. Arrive Patna and Check in at Hotel. Overnight in Patna Hotel.

Day 11: After Breakfast, drive to Kushinagar. Visit Vaishali. Arrive Kushinagar and Check In At Hotel. Overnight in Kushinagar Hotel.

Day 12: After Breakfast, drive to Balrampur. visit Lumbini. Arrive Balrampur and Check In At Pre booked Hotel. Overnight in Balrampur Hotel.

Day 13: After Breakfast, drive to Lucknow. Visit Sravasti. Arrive Lucknow And Take Connecting Flight For Delhi. Arrive Delhi and Check in at Pre booked Hotel. Overnight in Delhi hotel.

Day 14: After breakfast visit the ancient capital city, with its magnificent Red Fort the pageant of Indian History, from its origin around 1200 BC, through the periods under the Sultans in the 10th century and Mughals from the 14th Century. Then in afternoon visit New Delhi where ornate buildings recall the days when India was jewel in the crown of the British empire. Visit Qutab Minar, India Gate, Humayun's Tomb, Safdarjung Tomb, The President's House, Mahatma Gandhi Memorial, Lotus Temple & Laxmi Narayan Temple. In Evening Transfer to the Airport To Board Flight Back Home.