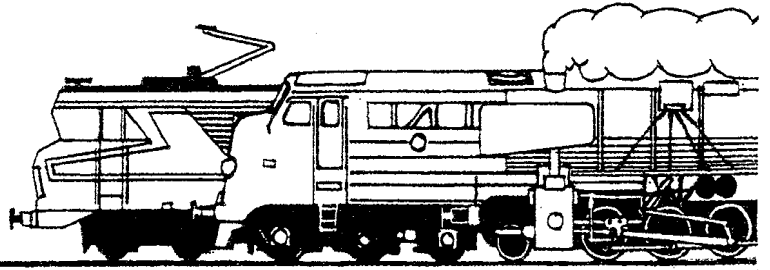


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LCGB Overseas Study Tour 01/24 INDIA Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2024 to Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2024

## Rail On All Gauges (ROAG)

A return to India for an extensive tour of this colourful country

### Day & Date City Meals

#### Day 01: Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2024 Arrive at New Delhi

Morning arrival at New Delhi T3 airport. Transferred by air-conditioned exclusive vehicle to your reserved hotel.

#### Day 02: Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024 Delhi / Kalka / Shimla (by train) B/L/D

Transfer to NDLS railway station for 12011 Shatabadi Express to Kalka (0740/1145). After arrival at Kalka, depart by a chartered RMC to Shimla (1200 hrs approx). Transfer from Shimla railway station to hotel.

#### Day 03: Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024 Shimla / Kathleeghat / Shimla B/--/D

0900 hrs: Transfer from hotel to SML railway station for KC 520 steam charter till Kathleeghat (one way only) (Arrive approx. 1230 hrs). *Steam loco is subject to approval by Indian Railways.* Return to hotel by cars. PM free to explore The Mall Road.

#### Day 04: Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024 Shimla / Mandi (130 kms / 5 hrs) B/--/D

Drive to Mandi. Early evening, walk through the town.

#### Day 05: Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2024 Mandi / Palampur (100 kms / 3.5 hrs) B/--/D

Drive to Palampur. We will arrive at the upper terminus Joginder Nagar and travel to Baijnath Parola in the afternoon on the Kangra Valley Railway (KVR). Transfer by road to the hotel.

#### Day 06: Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2024 Sun Palampur B/--/D

This morning we transfer to Palampur station to board 1054 hrs departure to arrive Baijnath Paprola at 1200 hrs and further connect to the service to Joginder Nagar. We will visit the Shanon Hydro-electric Power Station (*subject to local permission*). Return to hotel in Palampur

#### Day 07: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024 , Palampur – Dharamsala – Palampur B/--/D

We have a day's excursion to Dharamsala to visit the Dalai Lama Temple and McLeodganj market.

#### Day 08: Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024 Palampur – Pathankot (by train) – Amritsar (by road) B/--/D

We catch the early morning 04700 Baijanth Paprola Nurpur Road Exp from Palampur station at 0640 hrs departure Palampur station (this is the 0600 hrs Baijnath Paprola – Nurpur bound service).

1200 hrs : Arrive Nurpur Rd. station and transfer by road (1.5 hr) to Pathankot Jn. Currently, Nurpur Road-Pathankot section is closed.

1400 hrs: Depart by DEMU – Pathankot Jn. to Amritsar. Please be informed that departure from hotel will be early morning with packed breakfast which is not very enjoyable in the train (narrow, congested and too full) then, stop for lunch in Pathankot restaurant is subject to train delays etc. Transfer to hotel on arrival.

#### **Day 09: Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024 Amritsar B/--/D**

We visit the Golden Temple complex, Jallianwala Bagh massacre gardens. We will then proceed for Indo-Pak border flag downing border ceremony.

#### **Day 10: Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024 Amritsar – Delhi (by air) B/--/--**

Afternoon flight (1245/1355 hrs) to Delhi. On arrival we go straight to the National Rail Museum. For a visit

#### **Day 11: Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024 Delhi B/--/--**

Guided tour of Old Delhi with a cycle rickshaw ride, Rajghat, Humayun's Tomb, India Gate and drive past President's House.

#### **Day 12: Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2024 Delhi – Rewari – Jaipur B/L/D**

Morning transfer to Delhi Cantt railway station to board Steam Express hauled by Fairy Queen or WP or equivalent steam (subject to operational feasibility). Alternatively, we take the service train to Rewari. Visit the Rewari Steam Centre Museum, shed & workshop with a possibility of a BG or MG loco in steam for us. Later, we catch the late afternoon train from Rewari to Jaipur. *Luggage will be transported from Delhi to Jaipur by coach.*

#### **Day 13: Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2024 Jaipur B/--/D**

Morning visit to the Amber Fort by jeep, further we visit City Palace Museum compound, Hawa Mahal and Royal Astronomical Observatory.

#### **Day 14: Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2024 Jaipur – Marwar (by train) – Jojawar (31 kms / 50 minutes) B/--/D**

Today we board 14701 Aravali Express at 0930 hrs to arrive Marwar Junction at 1355hrs. On arrival, transfer by road (2 hrs) to a heritage hotel situated around the ghats. Evening free at leisure or enjoy a village walk - the small town is a hidden gem in the county, exploring it on foot accompanied by one of the staff guides is a great way to experience life here as it unfolds before your eyes.

#### **Day 15: Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2024 Jojawar – Kambli Ghat (40 min drive) – Phulad (by train) – Udaipur B/--/D (140 Kms / 3.5 hrs)**

This morning transfer to Kambli Ghat station for the Metre Gauge service to Phulad Junction - One of our favorite excursions is this daily train service from the station at the start of the hill section to the highest station in the Aravallis – the Kambli Ghat station. The engine laboriously and slowly pulls the train through the most beautiful forests and hills that you get to see in the state, this one hour ride is really unique as you even get to interact with the locals who'll readily share their seats with you and try their best to make conversation with you while trying to suppress their surprise! We transfer by road from Phulad to Udaipur with enroute stop at Eklingji temples of Lord Shiva, built in 734 AD.

## **Day 16: Wednesday 13th March 2024 Udaipur B/--/D**

After breakfast guided tour of Udaipur city visiting the City Palace, Jagdish Temple, Sahelion Ki Bari. Upon your return to the city, a regular sunset boat ride on Lake Pichola to view the heritage buildings including the marvelous white marble Lake Palace.

## **Day 17: Thursday 14th March 2024 Udaipur – Delhi (by air) – onward B/--/--**

After breakfast, transferred to Udaipur airport to board flight for Delhi for further connection to your international flight back home or domestic connection to extend your trip to the beaches of Goa.

### **Hotels Envisaged**

#### **City Date Hotel Name Room Type**

Delhi 27th / 28th Feb 2024 The Grand New Delhi Grand Premium room

Shimla 28th Feb / 01st Mar Willow Banks Deluxe & Super Dlx

Mandi 01st / 02nd Mar Regent Palm AC Super Deluxe

Palampur 02nd / 05th Mar RS Sarovar Portico Superior

Amritsar 05th / 07th Mar Courtyard / Fairfield by Marriott Guest room

Delhi 07th / 09th Mar The Grand New Delhi Grand Premium room

Jaipur 09th / 11th Mar Royal Orchid Superior

Jojawar 11th / 12th Mar Rawla Jojawar Superior

Udaipur 12th / 14th Mar Lake Pichola Superior lake view

### **Price Details**

**Based on minimum paying persons travelling Cost Per Person together. £2950**

Single room supplement £850 Tour cost basis £1.00 = INR100

There will be an additional supplement of £190 for the Shimla Steam charter if this is available

### **Cost Includes**

- \* Accommodation for 16 nights in above mentioned or similar hotels on twin / double sharing basis.
- \* Daily Buffet breakfast. 03 Lunches. All dinners
- \* Transportation using a deluxe air-conditioned Deluxe vehicle as per above itinerary. telephone bills etc.
- \* Services of a local English-speaking guide for comprehensive tour of Shimla, Amritsar, Delhi, Jaipur and Udaipur.
- \* Entrance fees to monuments, museums and places of
- \* Train Fare: Delhi – Rewari – Jaipur (3AC); Delhi – Kalka, Agra - Delhi [EC]. Joginder Nagar- Baijnath, Palampur-Baijnath-Joginder Nagar, Palampur – Nurpur Road.
- \* Mineral water bottles during the drives and sightseeing.

- \* One Railcar ride (14 str) - Kalka/Shimla (one way)
- \* Sunset regular boat rides on Lake Pichola in Udaipur.
- \* Domestic airfare for the sector Amritsar – Delhi, Udaipur - Delhi (economy). Check-in luggage allowance is 15 kgs / person. Hand luggage allowance is 7kgs/person.
- \* Tips and gratuities to guide, driver, porter, bell boy, assistant etc.
- \* Services of a tour manager from / to Delhi.
- \* All presently applicable Goods & Services Tax @ 5%

### **Cost does not Include**

- \* Shimla steam charter.
- \* Still or video camera charges levied by some (except in Delhi). monuments.
- \* Items of personal nature like drinks on table, laundry,
- \* Any meals other than mentioned above.
- \* Optional tours, if any mentioned in the itinerary per above.
- \* Indian Visa Charge
- \* International Fare to India

### **Cancellation Policy**

Cancellation terms: 100% of the cost of air tickets post issuance or as per airline ticket cancellation terms. 100% of the tour cost if cancelled less than 60 days from date of arrival or on no show.

All participants must be current LCGB members. Details can be obtained from the LCGB website <http://www.lcgb.org.uk/> or by application to the organiser. Travel insurance is required by all participants. If you wish to book, please forward a completed booking form together with a deposit of £300 payable to LCGB. Download from [The Locomotive Club of Great Britain | Programme of Coming Tours \(lcgb.org.uk\)](http://www.lcgb.org.uk/) Final payment will be required by January 25<sup>th</sup> 2024. (s.a.e.'s required if you are not on email)

### **About the organisers:**

Travelpals New Delhi India – They have arranged previous tours for the LCGB

All arrangements are subject to change if any services are not available. Should you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

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