

## OVERVIEW

Govt of Karnataka, in association with IRCTC Ltd. offers “**Karnataka Bharat Gaurav Dakshina Yatra**” **theme-based pilgrimage tour by Bharat Gaurav Tourist train covering** the prominent sacred places of divine city Thiruvananthapuram, Kanyakumari, Rameswaram & Madurai in 06 days journey.

### Tour Highlights:

Tour name	: “ <b>Karnataka Bharat Gaurav Dakshina Yatra</b> ”
Duration	: 05 Nights/06 Days (Ex Belgaum)
Date of Departure	: 18/01/2024
Tour Price	: Rs. 15,000 /- per person
Special offer:	: Rs. 5,000/- subsidy by Govt. of Karnataka
Tour Itinerary	: Belgaum - Kanyakumari - Trivandrum - Rameswaram - Madurai - Belgaum
Boarding points	: Belgaum, Hubballi, Haveri, Davangere, Birur, Tumakuru, Bengaluru.

### Destinations and places covered:

- **Kanyakumari** : Bhagavathy Temple, Vivekananda Rock Memorial
- **Thiruvananthapuram** : Sree Padmanabhaswamy Temple
- **Rameswaram** : Ramanathaswamy temple.
- **Madurai** : Meenakshi temple.

## ITINERARY

Day	Destination	Particulars
Day 1	Belgaum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Departure of train from Belgaum in the morning.</li><li>• Boarding of tourists at respective boarding stations.</li><li>• Lunch, Evening Tea, Dinner onboard &amp; Overnight train Journey.</li></ul>
Day 2	Kanyakumari	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Breakfast &amp; lunch onboard.</li><li>• Arrival Kanyakumari in the afternoon.</li><li>• Check in hotel for fresh up.</li><li>• After freshup visit Bhagavathy Temple, Vivekananda Rock Memorial.</li><li>• Witness sunset over the ocean (On their own)</li><li>• Dinner &amp; Overnight stay at Kanyakumari.</li></ul>
Day 3	Thiruvananthapuram	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Witness sunrise over the ocean (On their own)</li><li>• Post breakfast, departure from Kanyakumari in the morning.</li><li>• Arrival Trivandrum in the afternoon.</li><li>• Post lunch visit Padmanabhaswamy temple.</li><li>• Onboard dinner.</li> <li>• Departure from Trivandrum in the night.</li></ul>
Day 4	Rameswaram	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Morning Tea &amp; Breakfast Onboard.</li><li>• Arrival Rameswaram/ Madurai in the morning.</li><li>• Transfer to Rameswaram by road (in case of railway operational constraints).</li><li>• Check in hotel for fresh up.</li><li>• Post Lunch visit Ramanathaswamy temple.</li><li>• Dinner &amp; Overnight stay at Rameswaram.</li></ul>
Day 5	Madurai	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• After Breakfast, departure from Rameswaram in the morning.</li><li>• Transfer to Madurai by road (in case of railway operational constraints).</li></ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arrival Madurai in the afternoon.</li> <li>• Post Lunch visit Meenakshi Temple.</li> <li>• Dinner &amp; Departure from Madurai in the night.</li> </ul>
<b>Day 6</b>	Belgaum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Morning Tea, Breakfast &amp; Lunch onboard.</li> <li>• De-boarding of tourists at respective boarding stations.</li> <li>• <b>TOUR ENDS WITH HAPPY MEMORIES.</b></li> </ul>

## INCLUSION

### PACKAGE INCLUSIONS:

- Train Journey by Bharat Gaurav Special tourist train in 3AC class.
- Night's stay will be provided in Hotels in Non-AC Rooms on twin/triple share.
- Wash and change as per itinerary in Hotels in Non-AC Rooms.
- All meals (veg only).
- All Transfers and sightseeing by non-AC buses.
- Travel insurance for the passengers.
- Security on Train.
- All applicable Taxes.

### PACKAGE EXCLUSIONS:

- Boating, adventure sports etc.
- Meals are preset and a choice of menu is not available.
- Any room service will be chargeable.
- Cost of sightseeing, entrance and local guides etc. not included in the itinerary.
- All kind of tips to drivers, waiters, guides, representative, Fuel Surcharge, etc.
- Any expenses of personal nature such as laundry expenses, wines, mineral water, food and drinks not in the regular menus provided by us.
- Anything not included in the inclusions.

## TERMS & CONDITIONS

- **GOK & IRCTC has right to alter itinerary under unavoidable circumstances and is not liable for any type of natural calamities/ strikes/ cancellations/ delay of train/insurgency of any such nature which is beyond control during the tour period. Management is not accountable for any theft or damage of luggage during the trip. Operation of Bharat Gaurav Trip is subject to minimum no. of passengers booked.**
- The Arrival/ Departure timings at halt stations are tentative, and subject to Railway approval and train running as per schedule.
- In case certain halts are not approved by Railways, alternative arrangements will be made by GOK & IRCTC to cover such sightseeing locations. Under such circumstances announcements will be made in the train.
- GOK & IRCTC is not liable for publicized coverage of sightseeing locations in certain cases due to exceptional circumstances beyond its control.
- In case of No Show, no refund request will be entertained by GOK & IRCTC.

- "This scheme is specifically for Karnataka State Domicile and subsidy amount of Rs. 5000/- is applicable only for Karnataka State Domicile. If any other state user book Karnataka Bharat Gaurav Train he/she has to pay the full package cost and balance payable shall be collected from him/her before boarding the train. In case of non payment of balance amount, GOK & IRCTC reserves the right to deboard or refuse boarding to the passenger."

#### Important Note:

- All Guests are requested to carry Voter ID/Aadhar Card & Covid-19 final dose certificate with them.
- Some of the hotels in the selected locations may not be having lift facilities.
- Itinerary is tentative and can be changed or modified subject to smooth and timely running of Train. The final Timing will be based on the Train order received from the railways.
- Operation of **Bharat Gaurav Tourist Train** is subject to minimum number of passengers booked.
- GOK & IRCTC has right to alter itinerary under unavoidable circumstances and is not liable for any type of natural calamities/ strikes/ cancellation/ delay of train/ insurgency of any such nature which is beyond control during the tour period.
- Operation of Bharat Gaurav Tourist Train is subject to minimum number of passengers booked.
- Passengers before boarding the train should ensure the proper check-up of their body/ health from their Doctor in order to be fit for travelling, GOK & IRCTC will not be responsible for any mishap due to unfit condition/ health problem such as restlessness/ anxiety/ Unusual breathing problem of Asthmatic clients/ any other physical problems and Natural Death of the passengers.

#### Tour Manager

- Your Tour Manager is your source of information. Please follow guidelines of the Tour Manager at all times.

#### During Train Journey

- Do not pull the chain while traveling on train as it is a punishable offence when done without a valid reason.
- Do not waste any water unnecessarily in the train.
- Do not cross railway tracks. Use foot over bridges.

#### Attire

- Please ensure that your attire does not offend the locals/visitors at the places you visit. At holy shrines, you may be required to remove your shoes.

#### Decorum

- Please maintain decency of language as a courtesy towards your fellow passengers in the train and other visitors at the shrines/places your visit.
- Do not be rude while interacting with locals and do not indulge in any arguments. In case of any doubts on any matter, please communicate with the Tour Manager.
- Please be in groups and follow timings at the places you visit as per instructions of the Tour Manager.
- Photography may be restricted at certain places. Do not offend the local regulations.
- GOK & IRCTC reserves the right to remove any passenger that it feels is creating discord on the tour.

#### Sight seeing

- The itinerary provided to you may change due to unavoidable circumstances. Please follow the instructions of Tour Manager.
- GOK & IRCTC shall not be responsible for any mishaps caused due to negligence, non-compliance of instructions etc.

### Safety and Security

- Please take complete care of your belongings during the tour.
- Do carry a Photo Identity Card such as Voter's ID, Passport, PAN Card etc. for Security reasons.
- Please leave the contact details of person(s) to be contacted in case of any Emergency with the Tour Manager.

### Guidelines:

**Food:** Onboard & Offboard South Indian vegetarian meals will be provided during the tour. In case of such sightseeing places where food arrangements are not allowed, passengers have to make their own arrangements and cost to be borne by the tourists.

**Transport:** Transfers in Non push back Non AC/similar bus for pick up from station and sightseeing. Where buses are not permitted the tourists have to make their own arrangements on alternative modes. **Entrance fees, Pooja, Special Darshan charges, Horse ride, Jeep, boating charges** etc. are to be borne by the tourist.

**Accommodation:** Non AC Twin/ Triple sharing Standard Accommodation.

**Items to Bring:** Lock and key with chain to secure luggage, Torch Light, Medicines etc.

### Other Terms & Conditions:

- Passengers have to board and deboard the train at nominated stations as per the final Railway order and local transportation expenses to reach boarding station to be borne by tourists on their own.
- The package tour decided by the GOK & IRCTC includes Third AC Class Train Journey, Pure Vegetarian meals, Non-AC Twin/ Triple sharing Standard Accommodation and Bus for local sightseeing only.
- Being a cost value package, personalized service is not viable; hence kindly converge with the group. In case of any assistance required do contact our group representative.
- No rude behaviour will be entertained, further to which you will be forced to drop from the tour.
- Kindly queue while boarding the buses and don't rush at the accommodation centre. Our representative would allot accommodation as specified.
- It is the duty of the co passenger to provide seats first for the Handicapped and old people.
- You should adhere to the time announced by the tour representatives. Failing which you will have to come to the next destination on your own expenses.
- While traveling, there might be some delay in providing food, so old people and Diabetic passengers should carry some refreshments.
- There might be delay in Train Arrivals and Departures and the train may not be able to follow the train timings for which you will have to bear with us.
- There may be changes in the sightseeing itinerary that may be caused due to arise of situations that have to be adhered.
- Announcement made in the train if any should be followed strictly to have pleasant travel.
- In case any problem arises during the journey, GOK & IRCTC's decision will be final.
- The tourist should follow the instruction given by the tour representative and should not interfere in the administration.
- No smoking and consuming Alcohol in the train.
- Please carry ID card at all items (like Driving License, Voter ID card, Ration Card, Pan Card) as proof of Identity for cross verification, by Railway Authorities and the same has to be borne by the tourist.
- Alternate arrangements will be made for disruption of tour on account of natural calamities and the cost to be borne by the tourist.
- Arrangements will be made for medical attention during sickness and the cost to be borne by the tourist.

- The tourist will have to adhere by the periodical guidelines issued by the authorities on the tour, through announcement and should not intervene in their working and should not cause any inconvenience to co-passengers.
- The guests need to confirm that he/ she is physically and medically fit to undertake the tour.
- The tour program and sightseeing places are subject to alterations due to late running of the train. GOK & IRCTC will not be responsible for the delayed running of the trains.
- The final train timings will be as per the railway order.
- The decision of GOK & IRCTC will be final on account of problems arising in the conduct of the tour.

### **DO'S & DONT'S to control spread of COVID-19.**

Please go through the following points to make your journey better and comfortable:

1. Installation & use of Aarogya Setu App. by all (Staff & tourists).
2. Tourist should wear face mask and hand gloves.
3. Practice frequent hand washing with soap (for at least 40 – 60 seconds) even when hands are not visibly dirty .Use of alcohol – based hand sanitizers (for at least 20 seconds) can be made wherever feasible.
4. Luggage should be disinfected at reception /boarding point.
5. Tourists are advised to avoid touching their eyes, nose and mouth with their hands.
6. All tourists have to abide to the mandatory health advisories issued by the States / local administration which they are visiting.
7. Tourist should avoid using other tourist's phone, water bottle, umbrella etc as much as possible.
8. Social distancing to be followed during boarding / deboarding of train /any other transport, monuments & pilgrim places visit , group lunches / dinners etc.
9. Loitering and crowding should be avoided in train corridors, gates, cabins, hotels etc.
10. All tourists are advised that spitting is strictly prohibited in train, tourist places, buses, hotels etc.
11. Touching of statues /idols / holy books etc. not allowed in religious / tourist places.
12. No physical offerings like Prasad /distribution or sprinkling of holy water etc inside the religious place.
13. COVID-19 fully vaccination certificate is compulsory for temple darshan and sightseeing of monuments. All passengers should carry vaccination certificate in hard copy or in phone during the duration of tour.
14. Avoid physical contact while greeting each other.

## **CONTACT US**

### **Contact for booking:**

#### **Regional Office (Bengaluru)**

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#### **Tourist Information & Facilitation Centre (Mysuru)**

Near Main Entrance, Booking Office  
Concurrence,  
Mysore Railway Station.  
Phone: 0821 - 2426001, 8595931294  
E-mail:- tifcmys[at]irctc[dot]com

#### **Tourist Information & Facilitation Centre (Bengaluru)**

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Bengaluru City Railway Station.  
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#### **Tourist Information & Facilitation Centre (Hubballi)**

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