



CHATURDASH DEVATA TEMPLE



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Old Agartala, where the Temple of the Fourteen Gods is located, is 6 km away from the present Capital City of Agartala. Before 1770 A.D, the idols of Fourteen Gods were in Udaipur were in two Temples beside Tripureswar Bhairab Temple. In 1770 A.D, Maharaja Krishna Kishore Manikya, after being defeated by Shamsheer Gaze, shifted his capital from Udaipur to Old Agartala and the idols of the Fourteen Gods were also taken to the capital and installed in a new Temple. Capital was shifted to Agartala in 1840 A.D., but the idols of the Fourteen Gods remained in the same Temple at Agartala.

On the occasion of the special puja of the Fourteen Gods known as 'Kharchi Puja', a grand mela or fair is held for 7 days in and around the Old palace. It is a popular religious shrine where thousands of devotees across the country assemble to celebrate Kharchi Festival with great pomp.

The worship of the Fourteen Gods has an old history and legend associated with it. During the time of Mahabharata, Trilochana, a contemporary of Yudhisthira, was the king of Tripura who used to worship these Fourteen Gods as Royal deities. The tradition continued with all the subsequent Kings of Tripura. Kharchi Puja observed during the month of Ashad (June-July) is very famous in Tripura.

Animal sacrifices offered by the devotees are an integral feature of Kharchi puja. Inside the temple the idols of the Fourteen Gods do not consist of full body – only the heads of the Gods are there.

HAVELI MUSEUM:

An additional attraction for the tourists at Old Agartala is a museum of living cultural heritage – the Haveli Museum.

How to Reach:

Air - Agartala is well connected by air with Delhi, Kolkata, Guwahati and Chennai. The Temple of the Fourteen Gods is 6 km away from Agartala Town.

Rail - Jogendranagar Railway Station is 9 km from the Temple of the Fourteen Gods and is well-connected with the rest of the country. There is regular train service between Agartala and Kolkata via Guwahati through Kanchanzunga Express. Rajdhani Express, Hamsafar Express, and the Tripura Sundari Express directly connect Agartala with Delhi, Bengaluru, Kolkata and other important state capitals of India.

Road - Agartala, is connected by road with Guwahati via Shillong by NH-8. It takes about 22 hours to reach Agartala from Guwahati by road. The Temple of the Fourteen Gods is

only 6 km from Agartala city. Tourist cabs, prepaid auto rickshaws and city bus services are available to and from Agartala to the temple.

Local Transport:

Tourist cabs, prepaid auto rickshaws and city bus services are available to and from Agartala Airport and also for local sight-seeing. Tourist cabs are also arranged by Tourism Department on hire for local transportation.

Entry Formalities:

There is no need of entry formalities like Restricted Area Permit (RAP) or Inner Line Permit (ILP) to visit Tripura.

Nearby Attraction :

Ujjayanta Palace State Museum, Akhaura Integrated Check Post (1.5 km), Heritage Park (2 km), Jagannath Temple, Laxminarayan Temple, Purbasha, Benuban Bihar, Nehru Park (2 km), Tribal Research Centre (1 km), Lake Chowmohani etc.

Where to Stay :

| Name of Hotel/ Guest House | Address | Contact details |
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| Geetanjali Tourism Guest House (Tourism Department) | Bholagiri, Agartala Airport Road, Agartala | 0381- 2410009/ 2410016 |
| Bhagat Singh Youth Hostel (Youth Affairs and Sports) | Khejurbagan, Airport Road, Agartala | 9862610598 |
| Hotel Ginger | Khejurbagan, Airport Road, Agartala | Ph-241-1333 |
| Hotel Sonartari, | Near Fire Brigade Chowmohani, Ronaldsay Road. | 03812322201 |
| Hotel Rajdhani | B K Road, Agartala | Ph- 232-3387/6312 |
| Hotel Woodland Park | Jail Road, Math Chowmohani, Agartala | Ph- 0381-230-6056/ 9774585708/ 7005924007 |
| Hotel Welcome Palace | HGB Road, Agartala | Ph- 238-4940/3380 |

Where to Eat:

Dum Pukht, Orient Chowmohani,(North Indian), Dayahari Mithai, Shib Bari Road (Indian, Chinese, Sweets), Momos N More, Krishnanagar (Chinese, Asian, Korean, Beverages), Sherowali Sweets and Fast Food, Near Laxminarayan Temple (North Indian), Hotel Sankar, Netaji Chowmohani (Non Veg), Hotel Taj and Restaurant, Near Rabindra Bhawan.

Shopping:

Purbasha (Govt. Emporium), Tantumita, Tripura Cottage Industry (Pvt), Big Bazar, Metro Bazar, Bazar Kolkata, City Centre, Battala Foreign Market

