About Department

The Department of Pali-Prakrit is one of the prominent departments of the Nagpur University established in 1958. The most significant fact of this department is that, it was established after the great conversion of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar in 1956. He converted millions of people into Buddhism. For the study and teaching of these people, Nagpur University took initiative and started this department. Our department offers good research facilities to post graduation. Under this department, M.A. in Pali, M.A. in Buddhist Studies, M.Phil in Pali and Buddhism are taught. Many students have been awarded M.Phil and Ph.D degrees from this department. Many Ph.D students are taking advantage of National Fellowship like JRF, SRF, RGF, MAKAF etc. Many thinkers and scholars of National and International repute visited the department.

About the city

Nagpur though it is known for oranges, it is the ancient city, celebrates its association with the great Naga tribe who were hard core supporter of lord Buddha. Nagpur also enjoys its historic place be being the capital of Gond dynasty and later Bhonslas ruled over it. Remains of Buddha and ancient educational centers of Buddhist era have also been found in and around Nagpur. Some of the prominent heritage sites are Pauni, Adum, Mansar, Nagarjuna Hills, Nagardhan and Bhandak. Therefore, it is one of the most popular Buddhist pilgrims and tourist places of India.

Tourist places in and around Nagpur:

Diksha Bhoomi, Dragon Palace Temple (Kamptee), Buddha Bhoomi(Khairi), Nagaloka(Bhilgaon), Mansar, Dhammnag vipassana centre Mahurzari, Shanti Van(Chicholi), Vishvashanti Stups(Wardha), Ancient Stupa – Jagnnath Temple, Buddhist Caves Bhadarvati and Mahasamadhibhoomi Temple at Pauni.