

# Divine and Spiritual Temples in West Bengal

## 1. Kalighat Kali Temple



Kalighat Temple is one of the biggest attractions for the devotees coming from different parts of the country. The temple is also regarded as one of the 51 shakya places of India.

It is also believed by the local people, that the idol of Goddess Kali is the most vital and coruscating idol of all time. Many pilgrims visit this pious destination to seek blessings of Goddess Kali.

**Location:** Anami Sangha

**Timings:** 5 AM to 2 PM, 5 PM to 10:30 PM

## 2. Birla Mandir



This is another famous temple in this city which you can visit. The construction was started by the Birla family in the year 1970 and took almost 26 years in the completion of this marvelous structure.

The amazing architectural design is another highlight of this temple, which highly resembles the Lingaraj Temple of Bhubaneswar. A number of devotees can be seen here on Janmashtami.

**Location:** Old Ballygunge Road

**Timings:** 5:30 AM to 11:00 AM, 4:30 PM to 9:00 PM



### 3. Mira Mandir



Located in the center of this beautiful city, this temple is another sacred site of Kolkata.

Mira Mandir is dedicated to Saint Mira who was a devotee of Lord Krishna.

This is one of the best temples to visit in Kolkata at the time of Janamashtami at Midnight. At this time a lot of people from different parts gather to celebrate the birthday of Lord Krishna.

**Location:** Moira St

**Timings:** 6 AM to 12 PM, 4 PM to 8 PM

## 4. Dakshineswar Kali Temple



Situated on the eastern bank of Hooghly River, this is another Hindu Temple which you can visit in Kolkata. This Temple is dedicated to the Bhavatarini, another form of Kali.

Rani Rashmoni who was the devotee of Kali built this temple in 1855.

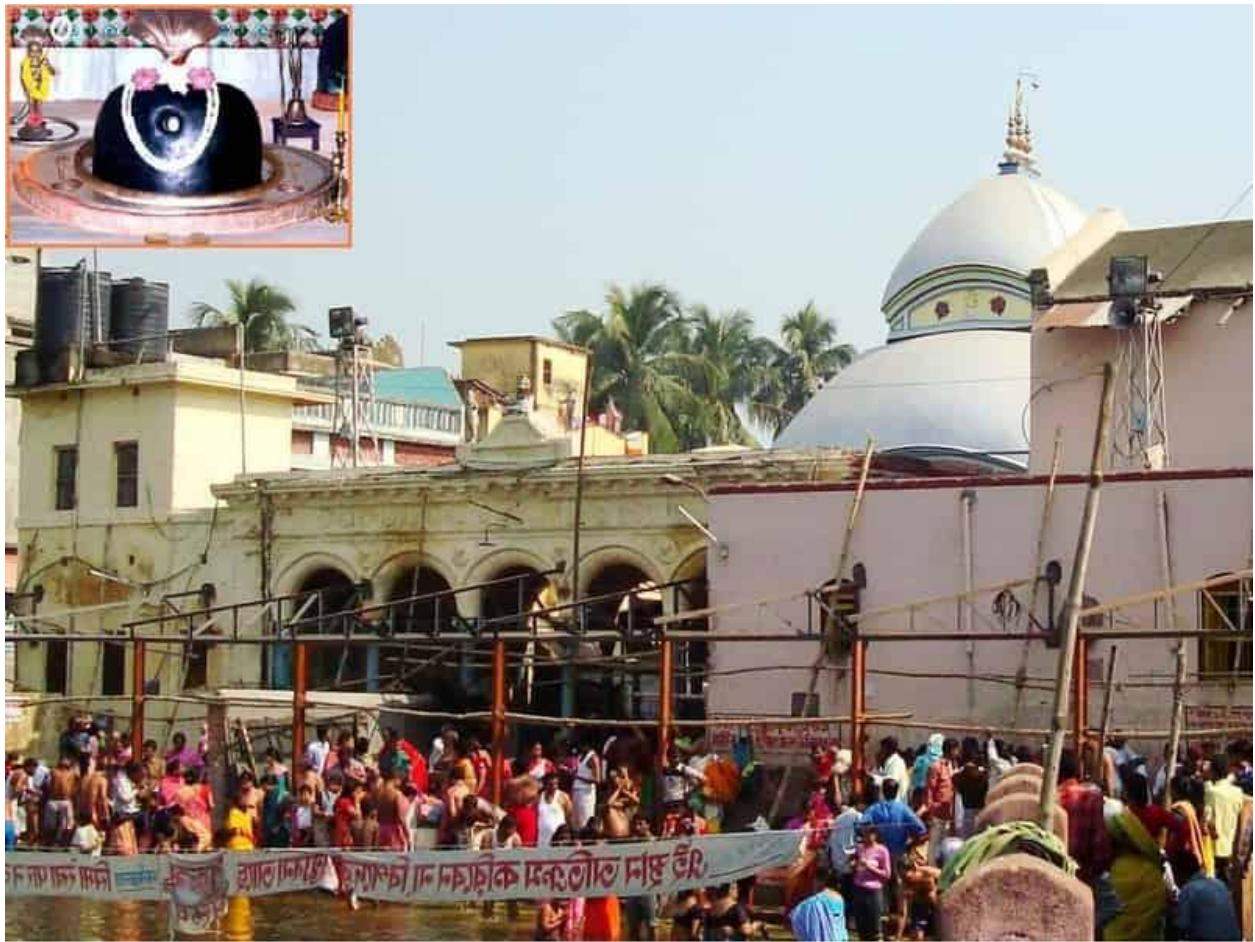
Built on the 20 acres of land, the interior of the temple is another attraction for the devotees which consist of nine spires of Bengal architecture in the three-story structure.

**Location:** Dakshineswar

**Timings:** 5 AM to 8 PM



## 5. Taraknath Temple



Built in 1729, this is one of the oldest temples of Kolkata. Taraknath Temple is dedicated to Lord Shiva and it is the busiest temple one can spot in the town of Tarakeshwar. Many devotees visit this holy place throughout the year, but you will see a humongous crowd on the occasion like Shivaratri and Gajan when thousands of people reach this place to attend the special prayers.

**Location:** Taraknath Mandir Rd

**Timings:** 6 AM to 1:30 PM, 4 PM to 7 PM