

MAA SARALA TEMPLE

Jhankad, Jagatsinghpur, Odisha, India

God

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Best Season To Visit

The best season to visit the temple is Winter season. The best months to visit are September to February.

Weather

Highest - April to June (45°C during day and 35°C during night) Average - May (35°C during the day and 25°C during night) Lowest - December to February (26°C during day and 21°C during night) Monsoon season - August to October

Dress Code

For men the dress code is Shirt & Trouser, Dhoti or Pyjamas with upper cloth.

For women the preferred dress code is saree or half-saree with blouse or chudidhar with pyjama and upper cloth.

Shorts, mini-skirts, middies, sleeveless tops, low-waist jeans and short-length T-shirts are not allowed.

Do's & Dont's

Do bathe and wear clean clothes before you enter the temple.

Do respect ancient customs and co-pilgrims while at temple.

Smoking and drinking is prohibited in this temple.

Chewing betel leaves, tobacco, gutka and spitting inside temple is strictly prohibited.

transport connections

Name

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Jagatsinghpur Bus Stand

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Biju Patnaik International Airport

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