

SARNATH BUDDHIST TEMPLE

Sarnath, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, India

God

The presiding deity of this temple is Lord Buddha. The main shrine consists of a golden statue of Lord Buddha and is made of marble. The idol of Lord Buddha is golden in color with eyes closed and his hands in front of his chest in a position of blessing people who come to pray to him. The idol is in a sitting position in the lotus position. The figures of his five disciples are engraved on the base on which the Lord is sitting. The Lord had come to Sarnath after attaining "Nirvana" at Bodh Gaya and had met his first five disciples here.

Interesting Facts

Sarnath is also the birthplace of many Jain monks and 11th teerthankar.

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 (39°C during day and 28°C during night) Average - May (36°C during the day and 26°C during night) Lowest - December to February (20°C during day and 15°C during night) Monsoon season - June 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

Distance

Contact Number

Singhpur Bus stand

2 KM

8756888110

Varanasi Junction

10.3 KM

Lal Bahadur Shastri International Airport

25.2 KM

0542-2623060

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