

DHAMEK STUPA

Sarnath, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, India

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Interesting Facts

The pattern of worship followed by the Tibetans is different from other Buddhists. Tibetans Buddhist circumambulates Stupa counter-clockwise chanting the mantra 'Om mani padme hum'.

It is worth knowing that the first discourse of the Buddha was on the 'Wheel of Law'. This is the possible reasoning behind the naming of this Stupa.

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

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Lal Bahadur Shastri International Airport

25.2 KM

0542-2623060

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