WordPress Website Project

This project showcases a live WordPress website built and customized for a business-style layout, hosted at [peaceexplorer.ajay079.in](). It includes essential pages, custom theme styling, plugin integration, and basic security and performance enhancements. The goal was to demonstrate practical WordPress development skills through a structured two-day task plan.

Screenshot of the website with explanation.
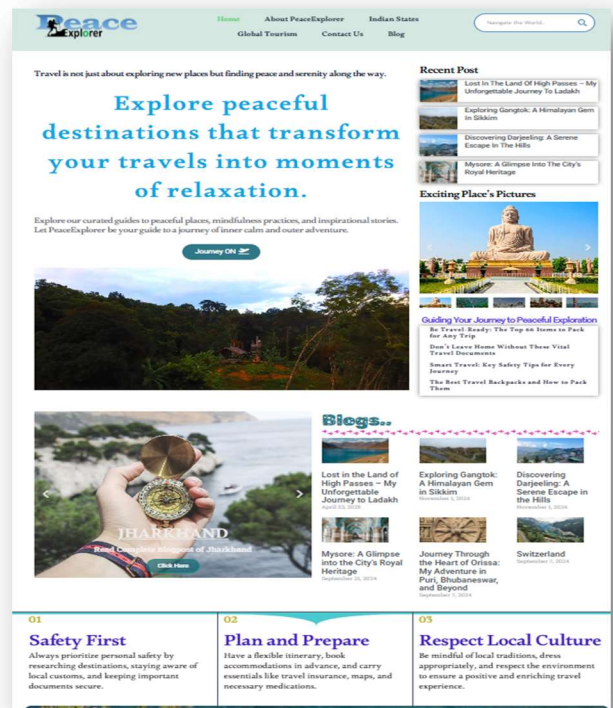
🏠 1. Home Page

Purpose:
Serves as the landing page, welcoming users and giving a brief overview of what PeaceExplorer is about.

Content Includes:

- A large size image section introducing the site.
- Short highlights of key sections like serene destinations or mindfulness tips
- Menus with proper links to important pages like Services, Blog, and Contact Us

Design Note:
Clean layout with a white background to reflect the peace and travel theme.
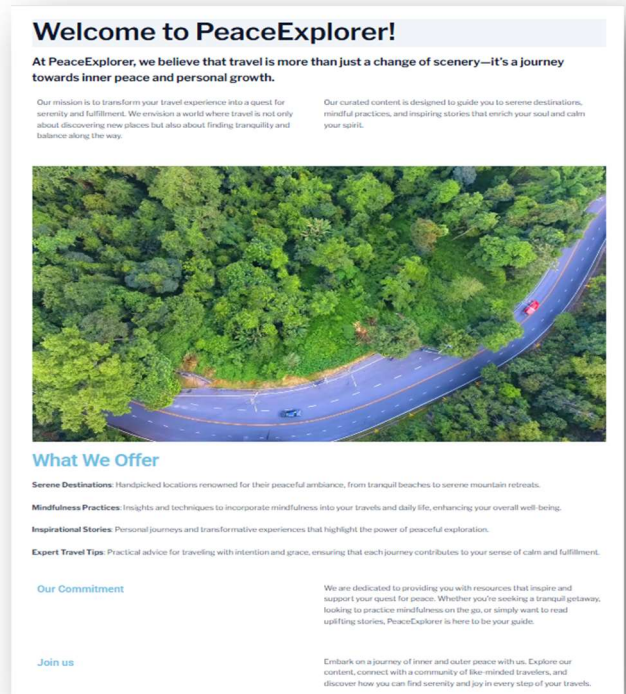
👥 2. About Us Page

Purpose:
Explains the site's mission, values, and what it offers to visitors.

Key Highlights:

- Mission: Promote peaceful and mindful travel
- Offerings: Serene destinations, mindfulness tips, inspirational stories, expert advice
- Invitation to join the community of peace seekers

Tone: Calm, inspiring, and welcoming
Design: Well-structured text with focus on readability
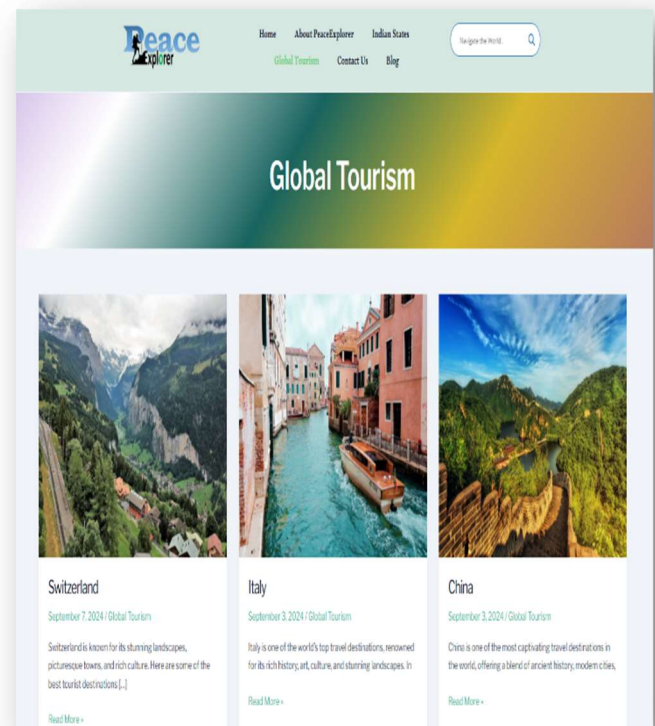

🎒 3. Services Page

Purpose:
Details the services or content categories the site offers to users.

Example Sections:

- Curated travel guides
- Personalized travel tips
- Mindfulness and meditation resources
- Story submissions or community engagement features

Design Note:
Organized in sections or cards using Elementor Pro for layout.
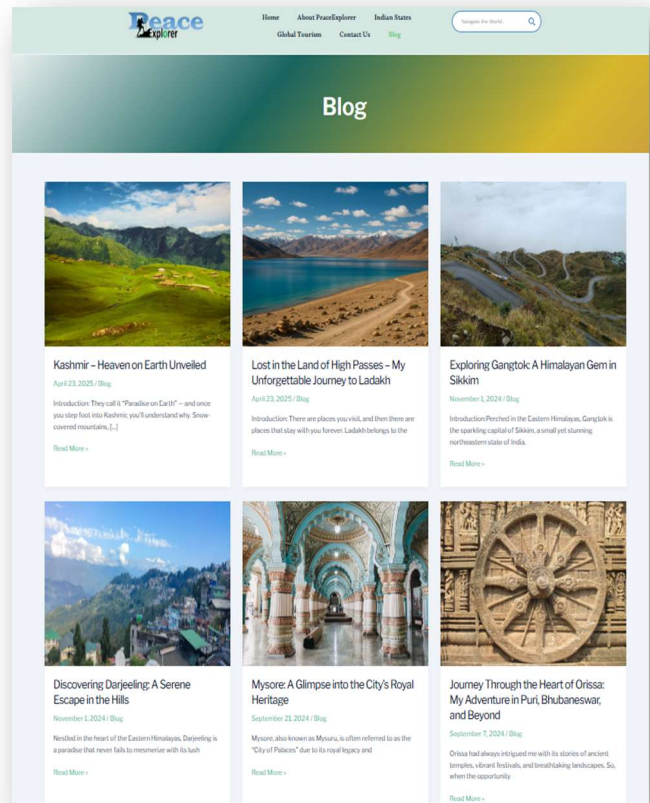
✍️ 4. Blog Page

Purpose:
Displays articles and stories related to peaceful travel and mindful living.

Features:

- List of blog posts with titles, images, and short descriptions
- Categories and tags for easy navigation
- Regularly updated content.

Design Note:
Typical WordPress blog layout with featured image + HD quality post preview
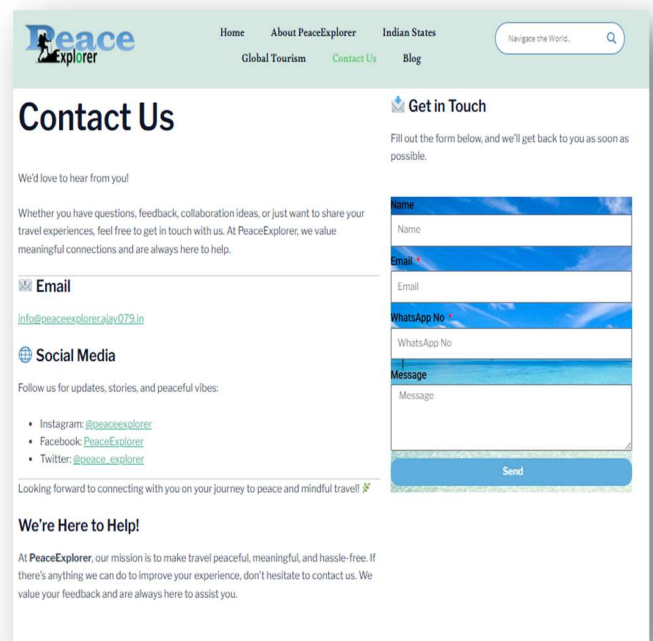

📫 5. Contact Us Page

Purpose:
Allows visitors to reach out for queries, feedback, or collaboration.

Includes:

- A contact form using Form Element
- Business email and Whatsapp phone
- Social media Links

Design Note:
Simple, user-friendly form with clean spacing.

Bonus Challenge: Remove Unwanted White Space

Explain how you would fix this:

1. Identify common causes of white space issues.

Ans: Common Causes of White Space Issues

✅ Theme Issues

- **Extra margin or padding** in theme's `style.css`.
- **Incorrect template structure** (`header.php`, `footer.php`, etc.).
- **Spaces before or after PHP tags** in files like `functions.php`.

✅ Plugin Conflicts

- Some **page builder plugins** (Elementor, WPBakery) add default spacing.
- Plugins injecting HTML in `wp_head` or `wp_footer`.

✅ Content Editor Problems

- Gutenberg blocks sometimes insert empty `<p>` tags.
- Classic Editor users may insert extra `<br>` or ` `.

2. Provide both CSS and PHP solutions (you can research and include references).

Ans: **CSS Solutions (Via Customizer or Child Theme)**

1. Inspect & Override Unwanted Spacing

Use **Inspect Element** (right-click in browser > Inspect) to find the element causing the space. Then add a custom rule:

Go to: ***WP Admin > Appearance > Customize > Additional CSS*** *and add:*

```css
/* Example: Remove spacing below image */

img {

  margin-bottom: 0 !important;

}

/* Remove top margin from sections */

section {

  margin-top: 0 !important;

  padding-top: 0 !important;

}
```

2. Normalize Global Spacing

```css
body, p, h1, h2, h3, div, section {

  margin: 0;

  padding: 0;

}
```

💡 Use! important cautiously — only when absolutely necessary.

🛠️ PHP Solutions (Fix White Space in Theme Files)

1. Check Theme Template Files

Open:

- header.php
- footer.php
- functions.php

Ensure there are **no extra lines or spaces** before <?php or after ?>.

```php
<?php

// clean, no white space above
```

2. Disable Plugin Injection into <head> or <footer>

Plugins sometimes inject white space. You can remove unnecessary actions:

```php
remove_action('wp_head', 'some_plugin_function');

remove_action('wp_footer', 'another_plugin_function');
```

✅ Final Tips for WordPress

- **Always use a child theme** when editing CSS or PHP.
- **Backup your site** before making changes.
- Clear **browser and server cache** after each change.
- Use **responsive tools** to test spacing across devices

Reference

chatGPT

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