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**#88,3rd main, K.E.B Layout, B.T.M 1st stage**

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**MYSORE.**

**TENTATIVE ITINERARY:**

* Departure from school campus @ 6:30 am.
* En route breakfast.
* Visit St. Philomena’s church and Mysore zoo.
* Lunch.
* Visit Mysore palace and Chamundi temple.
* Snacks.
* Arrive @ school campus around 9 pm.
* **St. Philomena’s church:** The full name is the Cathedral of St. Joseph and St. Philomena. This is **one of the tallest churches in Asia.** The remains of a teenage girl no older than 14 were **discovered on May 24, 1802** in the Catacombs of Saint Priscilla at the Via Salaria in Rome. Accompanying these remains were a set of tiles bearing a fragmented inscription containing the words **LUMENA PAXTE CUM FI,** words of no known meaning in that order. The letters were rearranged to **read PAX TECUM FILUMENA,** which in Latin **translates to Peace with you,Philomena.**  From these discoveries, it was concluded that a Christian named Filumena (Philomena) was buried in the tomb and the vessel containing blood was thought to be her relic, an evidence of a martyr's death.
* **Mysore zoo:** Officially called the Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens is **a 157-acre zoo.** Mysore zoo was the **first zoo** to acquire animals from both blood lines i.e., that of Calcutta and of Delhi Zoo. Rearing penguins in Mysore zoo was a speciality. It was one of the **first zoos in the world** where **a successful caesarian surgery was done on an elephant.**  The zoo is also **producing vermi compost** by making use of the available dung-waste, which **brings substantial revenue to zoo.**
* **Mysore palace:**  It is the **official residence** and **seat of the Wodeyars**-the rulers of Mysore the **royal family of Mysore**, who ruled the princely state from 1399 to 1950. The palace **houses two durbar halls** (ceremonial meeting halls of the royal court). This beautiful building is **245 Ft in length and 156 Ft in width.**  To celebrate **the dusshera festival,** the **Palace of Mysore** is illuminatedwith more **than 96,000 lights** during the two-month period.
* **Chamundi Temple:** Named after goddess Chamundi, the Chamundeshwari **temple sits atop the main hill.** The Temple **has a quadrangular structure.** Since the early days of the Maharajahs of Mysore, **the idol of goddess Chamundi** has been carried on a **decorated elephant** as part of the celebrations in the annual Dusshera festival. According to a legend, **the asura mahishasura (king of the city that is currently known as Mysore) was killed by goddess Chamundeswari** (also called Chamundi) after a fierce battle.