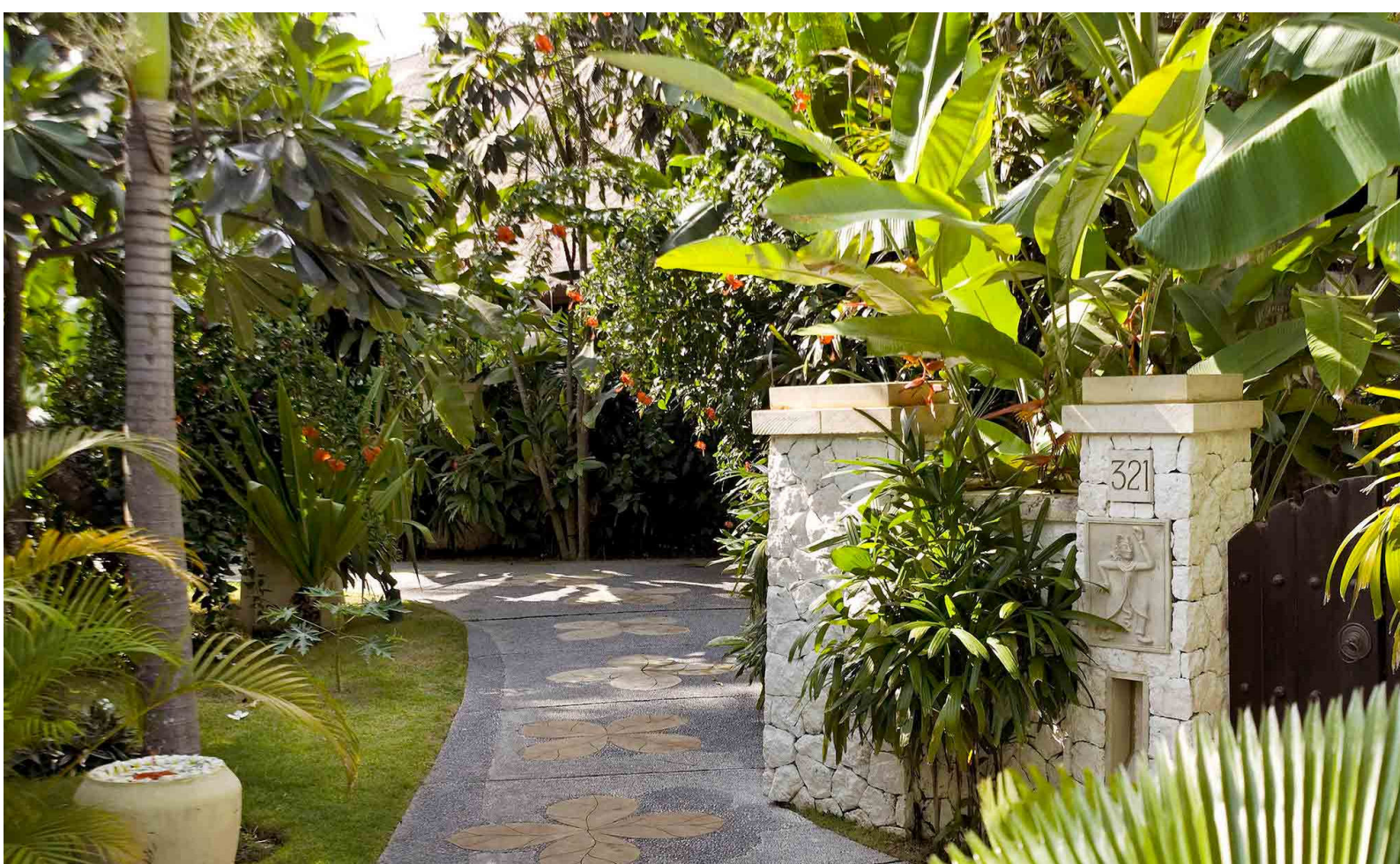


IIMR 2018, Indonesia

Bali



A Lovely Retreat with Ishwar Puri Ji

Welcome Kit

Friends of Ishwar Puri Ji,

You have successfully registered to attend the IIMR 2018 at Indonesia, Bali ("Retreat"). Welcome to the Retreat. Thank you so much for your patience and cooperation to complete the registration required in Step 2 earlier. The Retreat will be held at the following:

Date : 17 – 23 October 2018
 Time : 11am – 5pm
 Venue : Novotel Benoa Bali, Indonesia
 Address : Jl. Pratama, Tanjung Benoa,
 Nusa Dua 80361, Bali, Indonesia

The Retreat

Unlike the ordinary open satsang, this retreat is organized in a small setting. The purpose is to get you to sit closer to our beloved Ishwar Ji during His satsang, therefore enabling you to get more attention from Him. I congratulate you for participating in this Retreat.

The program of the Retreat is generally laid out below, subjected to changes by Ishwar Ji:

<u>2018</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Program</u>
17 Oct	12-2pm	Arrival & check-in at Novotel Benoa Bali
	2-2.30pm	Gather at Meeting Room. Mark your attendance.
	2.30-2.50pm	Briefing
	3-5pm	Possible Welcome speech by Ishwar Ji (<i>to be confirmed</i>)
18 Oct	10.15-10.45am	Mark your attendance
	11am-1pm	Retreat proper
	1-3pm	Lunch break
	3-5pm	Retreat proper/Q&A/personal meetings
19 Oct	10.15-10.45am	Mark your attendance
	11am-1pm	Retreat proper
	1-3pm	Lunch break
	3-5pm	Retreat proper/Q&A/personal meetings
20 Oct		Rest day
21 Oct	10.15-10.45am	Mark your attendance
	11am-1pm	Retreat proper
	1-3pm	Lunch break
	3-5pm	Retreat proper/Q&A/personal meetings
22 Oct	10.15-10.45am	Mark your attendance
	11am-1pm	Retreat proper
	1-3pm	Lunch break
	3-5pm	Retreat proper/Q&A/personal meetings/others
23 Oct	12pm	Check-out

Safety & Security

Important! No Outsiders Allowed

Kindly be informed that for crowd control purpose, only successful registrants to attend the Retreat will be allowed into the program. Anyone that is not registered will not be allowed in and/or to hang around the venue regardless of whether it is at the common corridor, carpark, resort compound, etc. Where such people are spotted, they will be asked to leave regardless of whether they are related to you. So, please **do not disclose** the venue and its address to any persons that are not registered to the Retreat. Do not bring along any other people that are not registered. Security measures will be put in place during the Retreat. Please help to keep the Retreat setting small as how our beloved Ishwar Puri Ji wants it. The Retreat is organized just for **YOU** and **Him**!

Attendance Taking

All participants will need to mark their attendance on daily basis except on the rest day and the last day when you check out. The Registration Number assigned to you will be used in taking attendance. Kindly remember your own Registration Number.

No Loitering Before/After Retreat

All participants are required to be seated in the meeting room 15mins before the start of each session. At the end of day, those who wish to see Ishwar Ji out will be told where to gather. For your own safety, do not wait and gather near/at the car park compound, the lobby area or at road side.

Swimming at Deep Ends

The venue has two (2) swimming pools and its own beach front. The pool closest to the Retreat meeting room/beach is deep. Sea tides rises at certain time of the day. Hence, do not be adventurous if you don't feel well and/or have not been a good swimmer. It is strongly suggested that you go with a friend/partner when you use the swimming pool or go into the sea. Do keep a look out for each other. The other swimming pool where the Deluxe Rooms are located is safer as it has shallow ends.

Road Traffic

The road in front of our venue can be busy with traffic. Drivers in Bali drive on the right side of the car (ie. British system). This may be different from where you come from. Also, there are many who rides the motorcycle. When crossing the road, please watch out for oncoming vehicles! The venue has wardens to help you cross the road in front of their entrance. Have patience and use their service to help you cross the road. Use the roadside pavement if you need to walk along the road.

Others

Bali is generally a safe destination to visit. As a foreigner there, it is recommended that you take precautionary measures to ensure your own safety and security. The resort has a safe box in your accommodation room. You may use it to store valuables eg. Passport, etc. As usual, use it at your own risks. Also, it is not recommended that you drink from the water tap. The resort provides two bottles of water in your room daily. You are advised to purchase bottled water for drinking from nearby shops (costs about US\$0.50 per 1.5L bottle). You are advised to change money ie. Indonesian Rupiah at your home country. Credit card is widely acceptable when you dine at restaurants. Cash is used when you take taxi. At all times, protect yourself from strong sunshine by using sun-block lotion and apply insect repellent where needed.

The Venue

The Retreat will be held at Novotel Benoa Bali. It is located at a quieter side of the Bali island. Do not be confused with their other establishment at another location called Novotel Nusa Dua Bali.

Venue : Novotel Benoa Bali
Website : www.novotelbenoabali.com

You may visit the venue's website to see the various facilities available.

Getting There

Depending on traffic, it takes about 25-30mins to reach the venue from the international airport. As you come out from the Arrival Hall, there is an Airport Taxi counter on your right side (with proper signage). In May 2018, they quoted IDR290,000 for a 1-way trip to Novotel Benoa Bali. There are also many licensed (with a badge) freelance taxi drivers dressed in blue shirt (uniform) standing near the exit of the Arrival Hall waiting to offer their service to you. They charge about IDR250,000. You may negotiate it to be lower. Then, there are non-licensed freelance drivers dressed in common clothes that may approach you. They may charge between IDR200,000-250,000. If you are good, you can bargain down to IDR150,000-180,000! Tipping is not common/practiced but you are free to do so if you appreciate the driver's service.

The event coordinator has a few contacts with some personal drivers that may offer airport pick-up service (1-way) at IDR150,000-200,000. Depending on the date & time of your arrival and availability of their service, an advanced booking can be arranged. If you are keen to make an advanced booking for private pick-up, please email the event coordinator and inform the following:

Date of Arrival :
Time of Arrival :
Flight No. :
Your Mobile :
No. of Pax :

Due to our group size, private pick-up arrangement is subjected to availability of drivers and is on first-come-first served basis.

Filling Your Stomach

Buffet breakfast is included in your room stay. Novotel Benoa Bali has restaurants that serve some vegetarian dishes. There is also a free shuttle bus that operates at regular intervals to bring you to/fro Bali Collection, a commercial area that has various restaurants and shops. You are free to make arrangement for your lunch/dinner/snacks. A compilation of a few restaurants near our venue and its menu has been prepared for your advanced information. Tipping is not compulsory.

Others

Below may be useful for friends that are coming from abroad.

Airport : Ngurah Rai International Airport (IATA Airport code : "DPS" for Denpasar)
Location : Bali is an island that is popular with tourists worldwide. It is about 23+ hours flight from Chicago (US), 16+ hours from London (UK), 7+ hours flight from Tokyo (Japan), 9+ hours flight from Delhi (India)/Dubai.
Language : Balinese, Indonesian & simple English are commonly spoken.
Currency : Indonesian Rupiah, IDR (estimated IDR10,000 : US\$0.7 : €0.6 in Jun 2018)
Travel Doc : Ensure you have complete valid documents ie. Entry visa, valid passport, etc.
Climate : Hot, Humid, Rain (expected to be rainy in Oct, about 27-31deg C)
Website : Visit www.balitourismboard.org for more information (Attractions, etc)

Withdrawal of Attendance & Refund

You have completed your registration and are issued with a Registration number. Your seat at the IIMR is guaranteed. Under unforeseen circumstances, if you are not able to attend the IIMR, kindly inform the coordinator soonest possible so that your seat can be offered to friends who are on the Waiting List. Note that withdrawal is not reversible.

If you inform us of your withdrawal any time before 16 Sep 2018 (ie. with more than a month to the IIMR), a full refund can be made to your card. If you inform us on or after 16 Sep 2018, refund will only be considered under the discretion of the coordinator and the venue provider, depending on how close is the date of your withdraw to the IIMR. All refund, where performed, will be transacted back to the card detailed in the Credit Card Authorization Form. Foreign currency exchange rate and/or administration fee/s charged by the financial institution/bank applies. The refund process may take several weeks.

Supporting the Event

This is a non-ISHA event. The program is privately organised and sponsored by friend/s of Ishwar Puri Ji. All contributions to cover administrative and logistics costs are welcome. You may inform the event organiser, Tim Chan, accordingly. Contributions can also be made during the retreat.

Contact

If you need clarifications, kindly contact the coordinator at timchan.events@gmail.com.

I am already so looking forward to attend the IIMR2018 Indonesia, Bali. See you in October!

Yours Sincerely,

Tim Chan

15 Jun 2018



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