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## **SPECIAL ORISSA**

**05 Nights /06 Days**

**(Bhubaneswar 3 NT + Puri 2 NT)**

### **Day 01: Bhubhaneshwar**

Assistance on arrival at Bhubaneswar Airport and take the transfer to your hotel. Check-in to your hotel on arrival. Rest of the day free or at own. Overnight in Bhubhaneshwar.

### **Day 02: Bhubhaneshwar Sightseeing- (City of temples)**

After breakfast embark on a city tour of Bhubaneswar. The well planned capital of Orissa, is a city of temples. It had 7000 temples at one time of which more than 500 remain today. These temples built over a period of one thousand years reflect the grandeur of high quality workmanship of Kalinga (ancient name of the State) temple art. Visit Temples like, Parasurameshwar (7th A.D.) famous for its latticed windows, Mukteshwar(10th A.D.) with its profusion of wall carvings, Lingaraj(11th A.D.) dominates the landscape rising to a high of 46 Mts. and finest representation of Kalinga Art, Bindusagar, the Ocean drop tank, Rajarani (11th A.D.) with its Exquisite carving. Afternoon visit the twin hill Udayagiri and Khandgiri the Jain Caves. Excavated in between 2nd & 1st century B.C. By the famous king of Kalinga, named Kharvela, was the rain resort of Jain Monks. It is one of the earliest specimens of cave architecture of India. Enjoy the lovely sunset on the small hill. Return to the hotel. Overnight in Bhubhaneshwar.

### **Day 03: Bhubhaneshwar – Nandankanan – Bhubhaneshwar (Approx 35 Km one way)**

Post breakfast embark on a full day excursion trip to Nandankan (Monday Closed), the zoo. Amidst the natural beauty of natural forest adjacent to Chandaka-Dampara Wildlife Sanctuary, Nandankanan lies in the vicinity of Kanjia Lake. Return to hotel. Overnight in Bhubhaneshwar.

### **Day 04: Bhubhaneshwar – Konark – Puri (Approx 75 Kms)**

After breakfast take the transfer to Puri. Enroute visit Konark (The Sun Temple) also known as Black Pagoda. This 13th century temple is visited by visitors from all over the world. The temple is in the architectural images of the mythical chariot of the Sun God, here the Kalingan temple style has reached in its grand climax stage. The left structure standing among the sand dunes of the Seashore is the most impressive of the Orissa temples, the horses at the entrance, the encircling friezes, the chariot wheels are executed with exuberance. Check-in to your hotel on arrival. Overnight in Puri.

### **Day 05: Puri – Sightseeing -Chilka Lake- Puri (Approx 50 kms 2 Hrs)**

Early morning one can visit the beach for Sunrise. Post breakfast visit to Vishnu temple (Known as Jagannath Temple) and later embark on an excursion trip to Chilika Lake at Satapada, the biggest brackish wetland of Asia is regarded as a marvel of nature. Connected to the Bay of Bengal with a

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narrow channel. It's dazzling blue water, its Isles and Hillocks, the lovely birds, the fisher folks with their traditional fishing boats floating on its shining blue surface, all these makes it very fascinating. Later cruise to the famous Kalijai temple, enjoy the Dolphin Show and Nalaban (the winter home of a million of migratory birds -Best time-Mid Oct - Feb). Evening take the transfer back to hotel. Overnight in Puri.

## **Day 06: Puri - Bhubhaneshwar (Approx 75 Kms)**

After breakfast take the departure transfer to Bhubhaneshwar Airport for your onward journey.