



# Travel And Explore BD

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## Archaeological Tour of Bangladesh

### Tour Itinerary

- **Day-01: Arrival at Rajshahi by Train, and visit Puthia:**

Pick up from hotel at 05.30 am, transfer to Airport Railway Station, and take 769 Dhumketue Express at 6.15 am to Rajshahi. Arrive Rajshahi around 12 noon and transfer to hotel. After check-in the hotel, get freshen quickly, and after lunch we will start driving toward Puthia which is 22 km away from Rajshahi and only 30 mins driving distance. At puthia we will visit beautiful temples and palaces. Largest number of historical hindu temples of Bangladesh are located in Puthia. Back to Rajshahi in the evening. Overnight at Rajshahi (Parjatan Hotel / Hotel Nice).

- **Day-02: Visit Kusumba Mosque, Somapura Mahavihara, and Mahasthangarh:**

Today it will be a bit laborious day as just after breakfast we will drive more than 200 km at a row and visit 3 magnificent ancient architecture. First to Kusumba mosque (50 km, 1.5 hrs). Visit Kusumba Mosque, a beautiful stone-built mosque from medieval period. This is one of sixth remaining stone-built mosque from the Sultanate period in Bengal, which is very well preserved. Drive to Paharpur (60 km, 1.5 hrs) and visit Somapura Mahavihara, a Buddhist monastery from 8th century and a UNESCO world heritage site. This is the most impressive archaeological site in Bangladesh. Drive to

Mahasthangarh (60 km, 1.5 hrs), and visit the remaining of the oldest known city in Bangladesh from 3rd century BC. We will take you to visit most of the well-known sites at Mahasthangarh including the Citadel, Mahasthangarh Museum, Gokul Medh, Vasu Bihar. After visiting all those spots in one day you will be tired and drive to Bogra (22 km, 30 mins). Overnight at Bogra (Hotel Naz Garden).

- **Day-03: Primitive char life of Mighty Jamuna river.:**

After breakfast Drive to Sariakandi to visit the chars (temporary river islands which is made from erosion of river bank) of Jamuna . Cruising by boat to see the simple life of people in the river island. By experiencing the primitive lives in the bank of the river it will be time to drive back to Dhaka. Lunch on a highway restaurant on the way. Arrive Dhaka in the evening, drop at hotel. End of the tour.

### **Tour Includes**

- **What's included?**

02 Nights accommodation at Rajshahi and Bogra described in the itinerary on twin sharing basis, with complementary breakfast.

Dhaka – Rajshahi 1st class train ticket.

Air-conditioned car, driver,

English speaking guide.

All site entrance tickets.

Transfer to train station at any part of the Dhaka city.

- **What's not Included?**

Any food, drinks, beverage, or any personal item.

### **Special Notes**

- **Good to know**

Tour is not available to start on Saturday, as Saturday is the off day for 769 Dhumketue Express but we also arrange this tour by private reserved car from Dhaka.

1st class train tickets depend on availability. We'll try our best to get first class tickets for you. But if that is not possible, you'll have a reserved seat on 2nd class.

The 3 wheeler CNG, Tuk-Tuk will be used as local transport inside Rajshahi city.

We encourage you to wear long sleeves while visiting the mosques. In other places, wearing shorts will not be any problem.

Best time to travel is Oct-Mar as the weather remain cool and comfortable, and less humid.

Be prepared with raincoat, umbrella, and zip-lock bags for your gadgets, and any other protection necessary from the rain. In summer, it is hot and humid in Bangladesh. Also there is occasional rain which just comes and goes and very rarely continues for a long time. It also cools down the temperature.

### **Tour Price**

- **2 Pax Tour:**\$430 USD / 50000 BDT