

PRAKASH YATRA

Governance Tourism: Chhattisgarh

21 - 24 April 2016



Rambhau Mhalgi Prabodhini

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have come together, with the help of **Govt of Chhattisgarh** to present a unique experiential learning opportunity to the leaders of tomorrow! This is an opportunity to develop a first-hand understanding of Governance.

Why policies succeed or fail? Why good ideas either get implemented or get stuck somewhere? Why in certain cases bureaucracy handles things adroitly and in some cases shabbily? What motivates administrators?

Questions galore! We, in our own way are offering a window to young students and professionals to have a peep into the governance infrastructure to seek answers to these questions, through **PRAKASH Yatra** !

Come on board and examine few of the best working good governance models of the country. Interact and learn from the visionaries, the makers of these success-stories! Be a part of this innovative Governance Tourism Initiative, **Prakash Yatra** and experience governance in action.

WHEN?

It's a FOUR DAY yatra starting from 10.00 AM 21st April (Thursday) to 6.00 PM 24th April (Sunday)

TIMELINE	
Last date for participants to fill the registration form	10am, 5 th April 2016
List of selected participants to be	6 pm, 9 th April 2016
Last date for participants to share travel details and confirm seats	6 pm, 12 th April 2016
Travel Dates	21 st - 24 th April 2016

WHERE ?

The chosen state this year is one of the fastest developing states of India, Chhattisgarh

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

- i. Young policy and governance enthusiasts in the age group 20-35 should apply. Bloggers or individuals with a penchant for writing would be given preference
- ii. Interested candidates are required to fill the below registration form before the last date

WHAT TO EXPECT?

- i. Visit and examine the successful and acclaimed governance models at work
- ii. Witness & know the implementation of innovative and popular projects and govt schemes
- iii. Interact, discuss and get queries addressed by the senior govt officers and project heads
- iv. Learn the intricacies of administration by observing and interaction with bureaucrats and govt officers

WHAT ELSE?

- i. Maximum participant number is fifteen.
- ii. The group has to report by 10 am on 21st April in Raipur. The exact venue would be communicated in due course of time.
- iii. The arrangement of food, accommodation and travel for all the participants for the four days of travel would be made by the Chhattisgarh Government.
- iv. The participants should make arrangements for their return journey from Raipur after 6 pm on 24th April 2016.
- v. Participants do not have to pay any fee for the programme.

A report on Governance Tourism trip to Gujarat (22nd - 24th Aug 2012)



Gujrat Solar Power Project producing 500 MW power is really very ambitious, sophisticated and fascinating to visit. Private-Public partnership at such a scale and with such a futuristic approach is appreciable. I loved the vision, planning and implementation of this project. It reminded me of my visit to Wind Farms in Germany last year. Others state can copy the 'willingness' and 'approach' of Gujrat to development. Copying the model might be challenging keeping in view different contexts for different states. My state, Punjab, should learn the adoption and implementation of technology in agriculture. Guj-Sat project aimed at mapping

agricultural information through database is worth copying by other states. This will help us in re-distribution and optimization of scarce resources in our country.

- Pawan Kumar,
Executive Director, Sagar Group
of Institutions, Bhopal



The most noteworthy aspect of the development design in Gujarat is the Ownership and pride demonstrated by different departments of their role and contribution to the development of Gujarat. GSPC seem to be emerging as a national trendsetter and setting benchmarks for the sector. Gujarat has demonstrated a feasible and doable model of development. The essential components are:

- Demonstrated political will and leadership
- Conjoint planning and action by bureaucracy and polity
- Use of IT and technology to support human growth and development
- Robust arrangements to monitor progress and performance and
- Special attention to the poor and marginalised

- ANAND SHEKHAR,
Advisor DFID India



The most mesmerising thing in Gujarat is the Economic growth that the state has achieved, and another big fact which is that benefits do percolate down till the lowest class and villages unlike in many other states. I found Kids City, Kankaria Lake as a facility of global scale and repute.

- Jagriti Chateja,
Student, Mudra Institute of
Communication & Advertising, Ahmedabad



Gujarat is not thinking of just the 5 year political terms but undertaking ambitious projects like BRTS and GIFT which will create immense value in the long run. The law and order is commendable in the state. Also, the public service points are being managed by professionals and the citizens face no lags or corruption in resolving their issues. The solar project in its scale, novelty and ambition is absolutely world class.

- Rachit Sharma,
Student IIM - Ranchi

The programme included :-

- i.** Visit to Sardar Sarovar Narmada Nigam & meeting with the CEO
- ii.** Visit to Gift City, Gandhinagar and presentation by the GIFT city management team
- iii.** Presentation of WASMO model by Dept head
- iv.** Visit to Dholera SIR and presentation by the MD- Dholera
- v.** Visit to Port- GMB and discussion with the team
- vi.** Experience BRTS model & visit of the control room
- vii.** Visit and inspect progress at Narmada river front
- viii.** Visit to Kankariya lake
- ix.** Visit of the world famous solar plant in Charanka, Patan & discussion with the team
- x.** Visit to PDPU, Mahatma Mandir, GSPC
- xi.** Meeting with Hon CM Shri Narendra Modi