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Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high Where knowledge is free Where the world has not been broken up into fragments By narrow domestic walls Where words come out from the depth of truth Where tireless striving stretches its arms towards perfection Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way Into the dreary desert sand of dead habit Where the mind is led forward by thee Into ever-widening thought and action Into that heaven of freedom, my Father, let my country awake.

Rabindranath Tagore (1901)

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Message from the Minister of Law & Justice, Government of India



It is a matter of immense pride that the Annual Meeting of Inter Pacific Bar Association (IPBA) is scheduled to be held in India from 29th February to 3rd March, 2012. With more than 1200 delegates attending the event, it is expected to be the largest ever gathering of overseas lawyers in India.

The Annual Meeting of IPBA is always an event of great significance and importance for the legal world. I extend a warm welcome to our friends from overseas and from across India. I believe the deliberations in the various Committees of IPBA during the 4-day Conference will contribute immensely to facing the challenges of globalization.

My best wishes for a grand success of the Annual Meeting. I hope that in the coming years, new ideas will enhance the quality of legal services to subserve the principles of law, equity and justice.

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Salman Khurshid Minister of Law & Justice, Government of India

#### Message from the President IPBA



We are very pleased to return to India to hold the 22nd IPBA Annual Conference. India is a great nation with 5,000 years of civilization, history, and culture, and a rich natural environment from north to south and west to east. Since the IPBA had its Annual Conference in India in 2003, we have seen significant developments in infrastructure and advanced technology in the country, notably in the IT industry. India is now one of the most exciting areas in the Asia Pacific region for foreign investments. With the strong initiatives of the Indian Government and the private sector, a growing number of Indian people are now enjoying the fruits of innovation developed by wisdom, which has long been the admirable strength of India.

India is the world's largest country with democracy and with more than a million lawyers nationwide. To prepare for the Annual Conference, a strong Host Committee was organized with about a hundred Indian IPBA members. The Host Committee members are working very hard to provide participants with many timely, attractive and informative programs. In addition to the members in New Delhi, five regional committees, including the Committee in Mumbai, are actively supporting the preparations for the Annual Conference.

India is now one of the main centers of business in the Asia-Pacific region, and one of the most important jurisdictions for business lawyers in the world. With some special arrangements for corporate counsels, we expect many corporate counsels in India and from other jurisdictions to get together to stimulate the activities of the IPBA.

The theme of the next conference is "Legal Trends, Thoughts and Times." Among other professionally well-prepared programs, we will have a special session with APEC (Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation). APEC meetings were held in Singapore (2009), Japan (2010), and are being held in the U.S. this year. They will also be held in Russia in 2012. The IPBA is the first third party organization with which APEC has concluded a friendship agreement (the signing ceremony was held in Kyoto, Japan in April, 2011 at the IPBA 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference).

Many international agreements and treaties have been concluded, and are being negotiated to facilitate international trade and investments in the Asia-Pacific region. India is a core jurisdiction with which many of such treaties were made to utilize and enhance its various resources under various schemes. We will learn more about these agreements at the next conference.

Please join us in New Delhi to better understand the latest and most influential trends and thoughts in doing business in the Asia-Pacific region and the legal profession.

I am looking forward to seeing you all again next February!

Shiro Kuniya President, IPBA

Message from the President Elect IPBA & Chair Host Committee IPBA 2012 New Delhi



I am pleased to invite you to New Delhi, India for the 22nd Annual Meeting & Conference of the Inter-Pacific Bar Association – IPBA 2012 from February 29 – March 03, 2012.

New Delhi is one of the most ancient and culturally rich capital cities in the world - a city that has been built & re-built 10 times over last 3000 years. It is also the most popular gateway to experience India in all its glory. New Delhi is also one among the favorite destinations of leaders of business, industry and professionals for both investment climate and the growth opportunities.

Set in New Delhi, IPBA 2012 is themed – "Legal Trends, Thoughts and Times", which aptly focuses on the opportunities and challenges that lawyers across the world face in contemporary times. With four days of informative business sessions and interactions with renowned experts, the conference is aimed at enriching your professional and business lives.

The Host Committee has also put together exciting social programs, sightseeing, interactive meetings and pre and post conference tours for you to use this opportunity to get a greater insight into ancient and modern India. With the months of February & March being a perfect setting for sightseeing in India, you could choose visits to destinations like the city of Taj – Agra, the royal forts & palaces of Rajasthan, the lovely beaches of Goa, the majestic Himalayan range, wildlife sanctuaries, the backwaters of Kerala and water sports like rafting on the holy Ganges river. There are host of options to choose at very special prices for the esteemed delegates of IPBA 2012, do take advantage of these special offers.

I keenly look forward to welcoming you to India.

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Lalit Bhasin President Elect, IPBA Chair Host Committee, IPBA 2012, New Delhi

#### India

The sights and sounds of Incredible India extend throughout its diverse and myriad landscape. Be it the majestic Himalayan ranges or the cool water down under, there is a huge variety of foods, colours, smells, wildlife, scenery, culture and adventure - India is truly a wealth of things to do and see, something can get one and all excited !

Home to more than one billion people, the subcontinent bristles with an eclectic mélange of ethnic groups, which translates into an intoxicating cultural cocktail for a traveller. For those seeking spiritual sustenance, India has oodles of sacred sites and stirring philosophical epics, while history buffs will encounter gems from the past almost everywhere – from grand vestiges of the British Raj serenely peering over swarming spice bazaars, to crumbling fortresses looming high above plunging ravines. Meanwhile, fanatic of the great outdoors can paddle in the shimmering waters of one of the many balmy beaches, scout for big jungle cats on a blood-pumping wildlife safari, or simply inhale pine-scented air on a meditative forest walk.

#### New Delhi

Delhi - the complexities, the contradictions, the beauty and the dynamism of a city where the past coexists with the present. Many dynasties ruled from here and the city is rich in the architecture of its monuments. Diverse cultural elements absorbed into the daily life of the city have enriched its character. Exploring the city can be a fascinating and rewarding experience.

Delhi is just not a city but it is a book - a book which narrates the history of India. The city has been witness to the various events which have brought India through the history books.

#### Venue

The Taj Palace Hotel, New Delhi is a flagship hotel of the world renowned Taj Group of Hotels, Resorts & Palaces. The hotel has played host to heads of states, corporate big shots and high profile businessmen from across the world. One can enjoy the warmth of traditional Indian hospitality with all the modern world-class comforts and luxury. It has a Convention Centre that can accommodate over 1000 delegates in a single pillar-less hall. Equipped with wireless broadband Internet access, the hotel offers world class conference services. Its recreational facilities include several gourmet restaurants, lively bars, a swimming pool, spa, golf, tennis and shopping facilities and so on.



Some members of the Host Committee IPBA 2012 New Delhi

The Inter-Pacific Bar Association was formed in Tokyo in 1991 and has grown to become the pre-eminent association for business lawyers in the Asia Pacific region and also for those lawyers that havean interest in the region. The Inter-Pacific Bar Association today, has approximately 1,800 members, the majority of whom are from jurisdictions in the Asia Pacific region.. The membership base extends beyond the Asia Pacific today with members from many other countries around the world also benefitted from their association with IPBA. More than 60 jurisdictions are represented in the IPBA membership. IPBA has representatives from some of the most significant law firm in Asia and most of the members are seasoned professionals with stature and seniority. However, there are also a large number of young and energetic new members who will meaningfully contribute to the growth of the organisation in the long term.

The IPBA over the years has also focused specifically on business law. This, we believe has helped foster key friendships that are sometimes more difficult in larger groups. IPBA is indeed a perfect forum for the development of international friendships between business lawyers. Membership of the IPBA includes in-house counsel as well as lawyers in private practice. Infact the IPBA in-house counsel forum is an important part of the annual Conference.

IPBA has following Committees and most of these Committees either separately or jointly will hold Working Sessions on most crucial, important and topical issues:

- Aviation Law .
- Banking, Finance and Securities ٠
- Competition Law .
- Corporate Counsel ٠
- Cross-Border Investment
- **Dispute Resolution and** . Arbitration

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- Intellectual Property
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## Outline of the Program

February 29, 2012	
Time	Program
0930 - 1600 hrs	Registrations at Shahjehan Hall, Taj Palace Hotel
1400 - 1600 hrs	Reception for Women Lawyers at Taj Palace Hotel
1400 - 1600 hrs	Reception for New Members & IPBA Scholars at Taj Palace Hotel
1700 - 1830 hrs	Inauguration by the President of India, Her Excellency Pratibha Devisingh Patil* at Vigyan Bhavan in the distinguished presence of Hon. Chief Justice of India*, Hon. Minister of Law & Justice, Government of India & Hon. Minister for Corporate Affairs, Government of India
2000 - 2200 hrs	Welcome Reception & Dinner at Raja & Rani Bagh, Taj Palace Hotel
March 01, 2012	
0800 – 1700 hrs	Registrations at Shahjehan Hall, Taj Palace Hotel
1000 – 1200 hrs	Plenary Session - "Life, Liberty & Law" at Durbar Hall, Taj Palace Hotel
1200 – 1400 hrs	Lunch at Raja & Rani Bagh, Taj Palace Hotel
1400 – 1700 hrs	Committee Working Sessions
1830 – 2200 hrs	Cultural Extravaganza, snacks & dinner at Kingdom of Dreams, Gurgaon
March 02, 2012	
0900 – 1200 hrs	Committee Working Sessions continue
1200 – 1400 hrs	Lunch at Raja & Rani Bagh, Taj Palace Hotel
1400 – 1700 hrs	Committee Working sessions
1930 – 2230 hrs	Gala Dinner at the lawns of Hotel Ashok
March 03, 2012	
0900 – 1200 hrs	Committee Working Sessions continue
1200 – 1400 hrs	Lunch at Raja & Rani Bagh, Taj Palace Hotel
1400 – 1530 hrs	Annual General Meeting followed by Valedictory Session
1530 – 1600 hrs	Tea / Coffee
End of the Confere	ence

\*invited



1	Airline Alliances in The New ERA - 1	The Strategic Planning & Competitive Issue
Committees	Aviation Law, Cross-Border In	
Moderator	Kala Anandarajah	Rajah & Tann LLP, Singapore
Speakers	Pierre Fruhling	Fisher Waterhouse LLP, Belgium
	Christopher To	HKIAC, Hong Kong
	Hye Kyung Helen Sohn	Lee & Ko, Korea
	Saroj K Datta	Jet Airways (India) Ltd., India
	Jacques Buhart	McDermott Will & Emery AARPI, France
	Dave Poddar	Allen & Overy LLP, Australia
	Legal & Regulate	ory Disputes in Aviation
Committees	Aviation Law, Corporate Cou	
Moderator	Peter Cole	Barlow Lyde & Gilbert, Hong Kong
Speakers	Ravi Nath	Rajinder Narain & Co., India
	Anne Durez	Total Sa, France
	Airport Infrastructure ar	nd Management in India & Asia
Committee	Aviation Law	
Moderator	Kala Anandarajah	Rajah & Tann LLP, Singapore
Speakers	V P Agrawal	Airports Authority of India
	Atul Sharma	Link Legal, India
	Kamilah Kassim	Kamilah & Chong, Malaysia
	Regulatory Challenges Fac	ed by Global Financial Institutions
Committee	Banking, Finance & Security	
Moderator	Jan Peeters	Stibbe, Belgium
Speakers	Petrus Huang	Drew & Napier LLC, Singapore
	Madhukar R Umarji	Indian Banks Assocation, India
	Michel Vermaerke	Febelfin, Belgium
	Mee-Hyon Lee	Lee & Ko, Korea
	Recent Developments in Merg	ger Control in The Asia Pacific Region
Committee	Competition Law	
Moderator	Stephen Harris	Baker & Mckenzie LLP, USA
Speakers	Audrey Chen	Jun He Law Offices, China
	Kwon Hoe Kim	Yoon & Yang, Korea
	Shigeyoshi Ezaki	Anderson Mori & Tomotsune, Japan
	Bruce Lloyd	Australia
	Anand Pathak	P&A Law Offices, India
	Doing Business E	Between Europe & India
Committee	Corporate Counsel	
Moderator	Anne Durez	Total Sa, France
Speakers	Jean-Claude Beaujour	Smith Violet, France
	Girish Gokhale	JSW Group, India
	Rajinder Sharma	DuPont India Pvt. Ltd., India
	Bharat Vasani	Tata Group, India Rharti Aistal India
	Vijaya Sampath	Bharti Airtel, India
		Economies in Challenging Time
Committee	Cross-Border Investment	Cashington & Develop Law Officer, Dhilipping
Moderator	Jose Cochingyan	Cochingyan & Peralta Law Offices, Philippines
Speakers	Eriko Hayashi	Oh-Ebashi LPC & Partners, Japan
	Bjorn Etgen	Beiten Burkhardt, China
	Rafael Vergara	Carey Y Cia., Chile
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	Yolanda Eleazer	Castillo Laman Tan Pantaleon & San Jose, Philippines Lazare Potter & Giacovas LLP, USA
	Jaipat Jain	Lazare Fotter & Olacovas ELF, OSA

	Dispute Resolution Beyon	nd Civil Law & Common Law
Committee	Dispute Resolution	
Moderator	Juliet Blanch	Weil, Gotshal & Manges
Speakers	Hiroyuki Tezuka	Nishimura & Asahi, Japan
	Francis Xavier	Rajah & Tann LLP, Singapore
	Dharmendra Rautray	Kachwaha & Partners, India
	Cedric Chao	Morrison & Foerster LLP, USA
	Peter Heckel	Hengeler Mueller Partnerschaft Von Rechtsanwalten, Germany
	Matthew Christensen	Bae, Kim & Lee LLC, Korea
	Enforcement of Arbitration Awa	ards - Challenges & Opportunities
Committee	Dispute Resolution	
Moderator	Paul Key	Essex Court Chambers, UK
Speakers	Ariel Ye	King & Wood's, China
	Chong Yee Leong	Rajah & Tann LLP, Singapore
	Kumkum Sen	Bharucha & Partners, India
	Girolamo Abbatescianni	Abbatescianni Studio Legale E Tributario, Italy
	Chiann Bao	HKIAC, Hong Kong
	Benjamin Hughes	Shin & Kim, Korea
	Zia Mody	AZB & Partners, India
	The Challenges of Efficient Arbitrati	on - Trends, Thoughts & Best Practices
Committee	Dispute Resolution	
Moderator	Mohan Reveindran Pillay	Pinsent Masons MPillay LLP, Singapore
Speakers	Denis Brock	Mallesons Stephen Jaques, Hong Kong
	Michael Hwang	Michael Hwang Chambers, Singapore
	Vikram Nankani	Economic Law Practice, India
	Axel Reeg	Germany
	Michelle Sindler	ACICA, Australia
	K Suresh	India
	Dispute Resolution in Me	ega Construction Contracts
Committee	Dispute Resolution	
Moderator	Keith Phillips	Watt, Tieder, Hoffar & Fitzgerald, LLP, USA
Speakers	Mohanadass Kanagasabai	Mohanadass Partnership, Malaysia
	Sumeet Kachwaha	Kachwaha & Partners, India
	Sundra Rajoo	Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration, Malaysia
	Damon So	Hogan Lovells, Hong Kong
	Michael Cartier	Walder Wyss AG, Switzerland
	Jose Rosell	Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP, France
	Naoki Iguchi	Anderson Mori & Tomotsune, Japan
	Robin Lonergan	Macrossans Lawyers, Australia
The	e Rising Significance of Cross-Border E	mployment: Issues, Difficulties & Solutions
Committee	Employment & Immigration La	
Moderator	Sandra McCandless	SNR Denton, USA
Speakers	Emerico O. de Guzman	Accarlaw, Philippines
	Jacqueline Bart	Canada
	Roland Falder	Bird & Bird, Germany
	Aki Tanaka	Kitahama Partners, Japan
	Poorvi Chothani	Lawquest, India
	Emily Duncan	Gall, Hong Kong

Future of Nuclear Power (and Alternatives) after Fukushima					
Committees	Environmental Law, Energ	y & Natural Resources, Insurance, Technology & Communication			
Moderator	Stephen Marsh	Luce Forward Hamilton & Scripps, USA			
Speakers	Miyuki Fukuda	Kitahama Partners, Japan			
	Angus Rodger	Steptoes & Johnson, UK			
	Denis Brock	Mallesons Stephen Jaques, Hong Kong			
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February 27, 2012				
Time	Program			
1400 - 1800 hrs	Officers Meeting (Officers Only)			
1930 – 2130 hrs	Dinner for Officers, Council Members, Committee Chairs, Vice-Chairs & Secretariat hosted by Mr. Lalit Bhasin, Chair Host Committee – IPBA 2012 New Delhi.			
	February 28, 2012			
0900 - 1200 hrs	Committee Chairs Meeting			
0900 - 1200 hrs	Jurisdictional and At-Large Council Members Meeting			
1200 - 1300 hrs	Council Lunch			
1300 - 1700 hrs	Council Meeting			
1700 - 1800 hrs	Incoming Council Members Orientation (All current and incoming council members)			
	February 29, 2012			
0900 - 1030 hrs	Nominating Committee Meeting (Nominating Committee Only)			
1100 - 1200 hrs	2012-2013 Officers Meeting (All current and incoming officers)			
1400 - 1600 hrs	Reception for Women's Lawyers, New Members & IPBA Scholars			
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### Social Programs

Wednesday, February 29, 2012				
Time Program				
1900 - 2130 hrs	Welcome Reception Raja & Rani Bagh, Taj Palace Hotel			

Thursday, March 01, 2012				
Time Program				
0930 - 1700 hrs	Full-day Local Sightseeing cum Shopping Tour for Accompanying Persons (Complimentary)*			
1830 - 2200 hrs	Entertainment Extravaganza & Dinner at Kingdom of Dreams, Gurgaon**			

\*The tour will start from and culminate at Taj Palace Hotel, the venue for IPBA 2012. Registrations will be accepted on first-come-first-serve basis for up to 150 accompanying persons.

\*\*Transportation in Coaches shall be arranged from the conference venue to the venue & for return to official hotels.

Thursday, March 02, 2012				
Time	Program			
1930 - 2230 hrs	Gala Buffet cum Sit-Down Dinner at Hotel Ashok, New Delhi			

Transportation in Coaches shall be arranged from the conference venue to the Gala Dinner venue & for return to official hotels.

Complimentary Yoga Sessions shall be held from 0700-0800 hours on March 01, 02 & 03 2012 at Taj Palace Hotel.

#### Golf

Wednesday, February 29, 2012				
Time	Program			
0800 – 1300 hrs	Pre-Conference (9-hole), Delhi Golf Club*			
Sunday, March 04, 2012				
Time	Program			
0800 – 1400 hrs	Post-Conference Golf (18-hole) DLF Golf Club, Gurgaon*			

\* tentative.

The conference will provide an opportunity for sharing knowledge, networking and business opportunities for all participants. The conference theme - "Legal Trends, Thoughts, and Times" aptly focuses on the opportunities and challenges that lawyers across the world face in contemporary times. Three days of sessions put together by renowned experts are aimed at enriching your professional and business lives.

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Registration Type	Early Bird up to 30 Nov '11	Regular 01 Dec' 11 to 27 Feb' 12	On-site
IPBA Member	63974	84931	90446
IPBA Young Lawyer Member*	61768	72798	78313
Lawyer from SAARC Country	51290	63974	72798
Young Lawyer from Host Country**	38468	47981	54599
Corporate Counsel***	27024	31436	36951
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\* "IPBA Young Lawyer Member" must be younger than 30 years old as on January 01, 2012.

\*\* "Young Lawyer from Host Country" must be younger than 35 years old as on February 29, 2012.

\*\*\* This category applies to Corporate Counsel and employees of legal departments of companies.

\*\*\*\*No member of the legal profession may register as an Accompanying person. Accompanying persons may attend the Inaugural Function at Vigyan Bhawan, Welcome Reception & Dinner at Taj Palace Hotel, lunches on 1st, 2nd & 3rd March, Entertainment Extravaganza at Kingdom & Dreams, Gala Dinner at Hotel Ashok and full day sight seeing cum shopping tour on 01 March 2012 They are not entitled to attend Committee Sessions and other meetings / receptions for specific groups.

Please note that the above rates include applicable service tax.

Please register online on <u>www.ipba2012.org</u> or use the enclosed registration form. The online registration system accepts Visa, Master & Diners Cards and also offers the option to pay later using Wire or Electronic Transfer. Kindly see registration form for more details.

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You are suggested to use arrival & departure transfers services using safe tourist taxis offered through the event website. You may also board pre-paid or radio taxis from the airport on arrival. There is metro link between the airport & the city, however we recommend using taxis for the sake of convenience as most hotels are far from the metro stations.

#### Weather

February & March are very pleasant months to visit India and experience this majestic country in all its myriad colours and vibrancy. You will be greeted with sunny days and pleasant evenings with temperature ranging between 13-28 Celsius under normal conditions.

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Deluxe	15970	17760
Luxury	18470	20260
Taj Club	21620	23900
King Room	18145	19390
Executive Club	17700	19495
Executive	16835	17055
ROH	13735	14335
Luxury	13250	14550
Standard	13595	14820
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#### Local Sightseeing Tours (Optional)



#### 01 MARCH 2012 LIFE & PHILOSOPHY OF MAHATMA – HALF DAY

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#### MODERN INDIAN MASTERS – HALF DAY

Cost - INR 1995 per person

This experience takes you to the National Gallery of Modern Art where an art expert will trace for you the historical development and evolution of the various schools of modern Indian art. Our expert will highlight important works by great Indian painters like Rabindranath Tagore and Amrita Shergil and help you appreciate their contributions to the world of modern art.

This program is conducted by a specialist.

Cost - INR 1995 per person

This experience will have our experts discuss in detail Gandhi Ji's ideology to unify and strengthen India economically and how the "Charkha" became a symbol of self-reliance and finally made its way into our National flag. All this will be highlighted against the historical background of Mahatma Gandhi and his role in our struggle for freedom. Although the Charkha seems to have lost its relevance amidst rapid advancement in technology but the ideology it symbolizes is still as significant today as it was during our struggle for Independence.



This program is conducted by a specialist.



#### 02 MARCH 2012 DELHI MUSEUM SAFARI – HALF DAY

Cost - INR 1995 per person

Designed by noted Indian architect Charles Correa, the Crafts Museum houses a unique collection of crafts from all over India while the National Museum has the most representative collection of antiquities of India. This experience showcases the width and richness of the collections of the Crafts Museum and the National Museum. Curated and led by an expert, this Safari is a must for all art and culture enthusiasts.

#### 02 MARCH 2012 SHOPPING EXTRAVAGANZA – HALF DAY (AFTERNOON)

Cost - INR 1095 per person

The tour takes you to prime shopping areas where you will be spoiled for endless choices. From traditional Indian handicrafts from all across India to ethnic wear to famous Indian designer wear to latest international haute couture, you will find everything that you may want to take back home.



Cost - INR 2795 per person



#### 03 MARCH 2012 LAYERS OF DELHI – FULL DAY

LAYERS OF DELHI – FULL DAY (lunch Included) Over 3000 years old, Delhi has been an important urban center from at least the 11th century. Delhi has been ruled by 7 dynasties and the British. It thus contains ancient pilgrimage centers, abandoned cities, a thriving medieval city, a colonial capital and urban villages all within an expanding modern city. In this experience, our expert will showcase for you the story of these historical cities of Delhi. You will hear about the history and mythology of these cities and discuss people and events which defined them.

#### 04 MARCH 2012 LIVING FAITHS OF INDIA – FULL DAY

Cost - INR 1695 per person (lunch Included)

This is a full-day tour that gives you a glimpse of four major religions in India. Get an insight into the philosophies, see the diversity not only in the way the religious places are constructed & used but also in beliefs. And get amazed when you discover unity in diversity. The tour covers – Jama Masjid, the Tirthankar Temple, Gurudwara Bangla Sahib and Lakshminarayan Temple.

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### Pre & Post Conference Tours (Optional)

India is not just one of the world's oldest civilizations but also the world's largest democracy which has made significant progress among developing nations. India's vast landmass, stretching from the snow-capped Himalayas in the north to the tranquil backwaters in the South, present an expanse of over a million square kilometers of scenic sights - natural and historical - and incredible experiences. India possesses an amazing wealth and variety of sights and sounds, flavours and aromas, tastes and textures. From bustling cosmopolitan cities to the quiet countryside, hill stations or beach resorts, India has destinations which offer unique and unmatched beauty. You will find a fascinating amalgam of tradition and culture, beauty and nature, style and splendour, comfort and convenience, warmth, traditions and courtesies, virtually everything a seasoned traveller could expect.

India also offers easy access to other destinations in SAARC countries. Kindly go through the following itineraries that give ample opportunities to you to experience India & its neighbouring countries.

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IPR-01	Taj Mahal	Agra	Same day return	28 Feb'12 New Delhi	28 Feb'12 New Delhi
IPR-02	Footsteps of Lord Buddha	Varanasi, Bodhgaya, Rajgir Nalanda	3 nights / 4 days	25 Feb'12 New Delhi	28 Feb'12 New Delhi
IPR-03	The Golden Triangle	Agra & Jaipur	3 nights / 4 days	25 Feb'12 New Delhi	28 Feb'12 New Delhi
IPR-04	The Golden Sands	Goa	2 nights / 3 days	26 Feb'12 New Delhi	28 Feb'12 New Delhi
IPR-05	Pearl of the Indian Ocean	Sri Lanka - Colombo & Bentota	3 nights / 4 days	25 Feb'12 New Delhi/ Colombo	28 Feb'12 New Delhi
IPR-06	Golf in Jaipur	Jaipur	2 nights / 3 days	26 Feb'12 New Delhi	28 Feb'12 New Delhi
IPR-07	Paradise on Earth	Kashmir	3 nights / 4 days	25 Feb'12 New Delhi	28 Feb'12 New Delhi

#### **Pre-Conference Tour Options**

#### Post-Conference Tour Options

Tour No.	Tour Name	Places Covered	Duration	Start Date/ Place	End Date/ Place
IPO-01	Taj Mahal	Agra	Same day return	04 March'12 New Delhi	04 March'12 New Delhi
IPO-02	Footsteps of Lord Buddha	Varanasi, Bodhgaya, Rajgir Nalanda	3 nights / 4 days	04 March'12 New Delhi	07 March'12 New Delhi
IPO-03	The Golden Triangle	Agra & Jaipur	3 nights / 4 days	04 March'12 New Delhi	07 March'12 New Delhi
IPO-04	The Golden Sands	Goa	2 nights / 3 days	04 March'12 New Delhi	06 March'12 New Delhi/Goa
IPO-05	Tiger Trails	Ranthambhore	3 nights / 4 days	04 March'12 New Delhi/	07 March'12 New Delhi
IPO-06	Mystical Kerala	Kumbalanghi (Cochin), Alleppey, Kumarakom	3 nights / 4 days	04 March'12 New Delhi	07 March'12 New Delhi/ Cochin
IPO-07	Himalayan Splendour	Nepal- Kathmandu & Pokhara	5 nights / 6 days	04 March'12 New Delhi	09 March'12 New Delhi/ Kathmandu

### Brief Tour Descriptions



Taj Mahal Tour | Tour No.: IPR-01IPO-01 Dates: 28 February 2012 & 04 March 2012 | Tour Cost : Rs. 3,995 per person

On the right bank of the River Yamuna, Agra reigns over a glorious past created by warriors as skilled in art and architecture as they were on the battlefield. The city's historical origins before the Mughal conquest are dim and were practically founded by the Mughal Emperor Babur. To the lover of art and to the traveler seeking the wonders of India, Agra is the goal of a pilgrimage, its shrines being the Agra Fort and Taj Mahal – the monument of Love & one of the Seven Wonders of the World.

Footsteps of Lord BuddhaTour No.: IPR-02IPO-02Dates:25 – 28 February, 201204 – 07 March 2012Tour Cost (airfare extra):Cost per person in single room - Rs. 23,950<br/>Cost per person on twin share - Rs. 16,750

The doctrine or philosophy declared by the Buddha is known as **Buddhism.** It is not a religion or a system of faith or worship. **Buddhism** starts from the point of reasoning or understanding. It does not advocate any prescribed system of ritual and worship or supplication of deities or gods.



It is distinguished and different from other systems of "religion." Visit Bodhgaya – the place of Lord Buddha's enlightenment, Sarnath – The place of first turning of wheel of Dharma, and Rajgir – the place of second turning of Wheel of Dharma. Also witness Varanasi's antiquity, like its spirituality, shrouded in immortal time



The Golden TriangleTour No.: IPR-03Dates:25 - 28 February, 2012O4 - 07 March 2012Tour Cost : Cost per person in single room - Rs. 46,100<br/>Cost per person on twin share - Rs. 29,500

Take an exotic journey to the city of Taj Mahal – Agra & the land of royal forts & palaces - Jaipur. In addition to the Taj Mahal, Agra is home to some of the most important Moghul monuments in India. You take the breathtaking memories of Taj Mahal further to magical city of Jaipur, which

still blushes pink. A unique synthesis of the traditional and the modern, Jaipur, the state capital of Rajasthan, is a bustling trade center with colourful bazaars and people. Its palaces, forts and gardens seldom fail to delight visitors.

#### The Golden Sands

Tour No.: IPR-04IPO-04Dates:26 – 28 February, 201204 – 06 March 2012Tour Cost (airfare extra): Cost per person in single room - Rs. 33,400<br/>Cost per person on twin share - Rs. 19,200



The Portuguese called it Goa Douranda, Golden Goa; others called it the Pearl of the Orient. Goa is a tiny emerald speck on the west coast of India, tucked away snugly between the hills of the Western Ghats and the Arabian Sea. The land is covered with paddy fields and groves of cashew,

mango and coconut. Strung along the 100 km. coastline are golden stretches of beaches - Arambol, Vagator, Baga, Anjuna, Calangute in the north, and Colva, Betul and Palolem in the South. Goa still has the look of the Iberian coast, with its tiled houses, imposing baroque churches, carnivals and skirt clad, mantilla wearing women.



Pearl of the Indian Ocean Tour No.: IPR-05 Dates: 25 – 28 February, 2012 Tour Cost (airfare extra): Cost per person in single room - Rs. 43,500 Cost per person on twin share - Rs. 29,500

Known as the pearl of the Indian Ocean, Sri Lanka lies like a teardrop, falling from the tip of India's South Coast. Once a little-known treasure, thousands of travellers stumbled upon the island by some 'fortunate accident' and so began to call Sri Lanka the Isle of Serendipity. Known

for its white-sanded beaches and turquoise sea, its abundance of rare wild-life and rich foliage, its precious gem mines, its rolling hills carpeted with the best tea in the world, and its rich history and cultural heritage, Sri Lanka is a breath-taking get-away.

#### **Brief Tour Descriptions**



Golf in Jaipur | Tour No.: IPR-06 Dates: 26-28 February 2012 Tour Cost: Cost per person in single room - Rs. 34,500 Cost per person on twin share - Rs. 24,500

Golf has already been played in India for 59 years before the first major course was opened in the USA and Europe in 1888. India was the first country outside Great Britain to take up the game of golf. What makes golfing in India exciting is the diversity of its courses. Rambagh Golf Club at Jaipur is a part of the Rambagh Palace Hotel, the residence of the

former Maharaja of Jaipur. It overlooks the picturesque Moti Doongri Palace and the historical Nahargarh Fort & is just next to the Rambagh Palace. The tour combines the pleasure of playing at Rambagh Golf Club with visiting the historical monuments built by the Rajputs.

Paradise on Earth | Tour No.: IPR-07 Dates: 25 – 28 February, 2012 Tour Cost (airfare extra): Cost per person in single room - Rs. 34,000 Cost per person on twin share - Rs. 22,000



The beautiful Kashmir valley is aptly called as the paradise on earth. You will fall in love with it at the first sight itself. In fact, the charm and magnificence of Kashmir are beyond the scope of mere words. The Kashmir valley region is famous for its picturesque natural beauty and among other things is known for its Dal Lake that reflects the surrounding snow-capped

mountain peaks. The most interesting tourist attractions in the region are the Mughal Gardens, the floating vegetable and flower markets. The Valley is known for its fresh apples and the intricate embroidery stitching that is done on the traditional warm Kurtas, for both, men and women.



Tiger Trails | Tour No.: IPO-05 Dates: 04 – 07 March, 2012 Tour Cost (airfare extra): Cost per person in single room - Rs. 30,200 Cost per person on twin share - Rs. 20,100

An adventure with the tiger in **Ranthambhore National Park**, in **Sawai Madhopur**, is bound to leave you breathless. The park was declared a wildlife sanctuary in 1957 and in 1974 it gained the protection of **"Project Tiger"**. Ranthambhore National Park is famous for its Tigers and is a favorite with photographers. For a relatively small area, the park has a rich diversity of fauna and

flora - species list includes 300 trees, 50 aquatic plants, 272 bird and 12 reptiles including the Marsh Crocodile & amphibians and 30 mammals. Tigers, the park's pride make it one of the best places in the country to observe them.

Mystical Kerala | Tour No.: IPO-06 Dates: 04 – 07 March 2012 Tour Cost (airfare extra): Cost per person in single room - Rs. 33,500 Cost per person on twin share - Rs. 20,500



If there is one place in the riveting diversity of India where there is tangible beauty and a phenomenal thing like total literacy, it is in Kerala. This small State in the southern tip of the Indian peninsula is an easy winner owning to its great mind-blowing landscape and infinity of intriguing customs, high-intensity cultural life and educated public so often dressed in white.



Himalayan Splendour Tour No.: IPO-07 Dates: 04 – 09 March 2012 Tour Cost (airfare extra): Cost per person in single room - Rs. 43,500 Cost per person on twin share - Rs. 29,500

Nepal, the fabled land of Buddha, Hindu temples, and unrivaled mountain scenery, is draped along the greatest heights of the Himalaya. Nepal is where the ice-cold of the mountains meets the steamy heat of the Indian plains. It's a land of Yaks and Yetis, Stupas and Sherpas and some of

the best trekking on earth. The Himalaya's most sophisticated urban cultures took shape here, in the three great mini-kingdoms of the Kathmandu Valley - Kathmandu, Patan and Bhaktapur - home to a world-class artistic and architectural heritage.

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