

Howard Tours

2024 Polio Immunization with Delhi, Agra and Jaipur, India

February 23 - March 5, 2024



Please Note: The Indian Rotary leadership has stated that this is expect to be one of the last, if not the last, times that the Government will hold a National Polio Immunization program.

If you have always wanted to participate in an NID, this may be your last your opportunity for this experience.

Our journey will combine participation in India's National Polio Immunization activities, interaction with local Rotary clubs and their projects while visiting some of India's most extraordinary sights.

"You will never be the same after you have looked into the appreciative eyes of someone whose life you have changed."





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Delhi, Agra, and Jaipur, India 12 Days – *Price*: \$2,999 per person, double occupancy Single Supplement - \$1,100 *Airfare is NOT included. Please see note on following page.*

Itinerary

Fri., Feb. 23 - Depart home airport for India. (Please see Special Airfare Note.)

Sat., Feb. 24 - Arrive in Delhi: Upon our arrival in Delhi, we will be transferred to our accommodations at the deluxe, **J.W. Marriott**, with daily breakfasts included.

Sun., Feb. 25 - Delhi: Today, our exploration of India begins with sightseeing in Old Delhi, including the Red Fort, Jama Masjid, etc., before lunch which is provided as tour service. This afternoon, we continue our sightseeing at the Gandhi Museum and Smriti before returning to the hotel. This evening, is free so that we can rest before tomorrow's adventure.

Mon., Feb. 26 – Delhi/Agra: Today we depart for Agra, the famed city of the Taj Mahal. En route, we visit Sikandra, the tomb of Akbar the Great and a Mughal architectural masterpiece. Lunch is provided. Afterwards, we visit the Taj Mahal and witness the magnificence of one of the seven Wonders of the World before exploring the Agra Fort. Our accommodations are at the **ITC Mughal**, which includes dinner and breakfast.



Tue., Feb. 27 – Agra/Jaipur: This morning, we visit the Itmad-Ud-Daulah before we travel to Jaipur, known as the "Pink City." Founded in 1727 A.D., Jaipur is crowned by formidable forts and majestic palaces, mansions and gardens. En route, we visit the intriguing Mughal fort of Fatehpur Sikri.

Lunch is provided. Our accommodations are at the **ITC Rajputana**, which includes daily break-fasts. The evening is free for individual enjoyment and rest.

Wed., Feb. 28 - Jaipur: Today's sightseeing of Jaipur includes visits to the City Palace Complex that includes the Jantar Mantar observatory and the Hawa Mahal. Lunch is provided. This



afternoon, we visit the Jaipur Limb Factory, which is a well-known Rotary project providing artificial limbs to the needy. This evening, we attend a dinner event with the Jaipur Rotary clubs.

Thu., Feb. 29 - Jaipur/Delhi: Today begins with a visit to the beautiful hilltop fortress of the Amer Fort. Lunch is provided. We continue sightseeing en route to Delhi and accommodations at the **The Grand Hotel New Delhi**, which includes daily breakfasts.

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Fri., Mar. 01 - Delhi: This morning, we visit a project supported by the Rotary Club of Delhi South Metropolitan - the Kusumpur Pahari Project, which is located one of Delhi's largest slums. In addition to educating the children of the village, it teaches micro finance, sewing and hand stitching to women with the belief that a family thrives when its women are empowered and independent. Lunch is provided, before we visit Qutub Minar. This evening, we join a special Rotary event held by one of the local clubs.

Sat., Mar. 02 - Delhi: Our polio education begins at St. Stephen's Hospital, a facility specializing in post-polio surgeries, and a polio eradication briefing by the India National Polio Plus committee. At lunch we attend a Rotary Club meeting before visiting the offices of WHO for a briefing. Tonight, we will enjoy a special dinner event hosted by the Rotary Club of Delhi South Metropolitan.

Sun., Mar. 03 – Polio Immunization Exercises: Today is the day for which we have been waiting - participation in the eradication of polio. This morning, we travel to one of the high risk neighborhoods for polio, where we will be assigned to vaccination stations. Lunch is provided after the activities. This evening, we will attend a special farewell dinner event.

Mon., Mar. 04 – Polio Immunization Exercises/Depart for Home: This morning, we will return to the field to participate in house-to-house Immunization activities. Lunch is provided. We return to our hotel to freshen up before departing to the airport for our flights home.



Tue., Mar. 05 - Arrive in the U.S.

Special Airfare Note:

To give our members the most flexibility and affordability, the tour price ONLY includes ground services; it does not include roundtrip airfare. To secure your roundtrip transportation, you can either secure your own air reservations, use frequent flyer mileage, or request a quotation of air transportation from Howard Tours on the enclosed application.

Our airport transfers and itinerary will be coordinated with a United Airlines group flights. Members who do not use Howard Tours' designate group flights may be responsible for their own airport/hotel transfers.

Howard Tours will work with you to determine the best flight itinerary and airfare. Once we have secured your reservations, we will reconfirm your flight itinerary and airfare BEFORE purchasing your airline ticket. Airfares are subject to change until tickets are paid for and issued.

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Founded in 1948, Howard Tours has been operating tour programs for more than seven decades. It is owned and operated by Rotarians. Thousands of Rotarians have traveled with us to participate in polio eradication trips, wheelchair deliveries, and humanitarian missions. This is the 28th polio eradication program we have organized, and the ninth such trip to India.

This program is designed to be a mix of polio eradication, humanitarian mission, friendship exchange and sightseeing. In the past Rotarians who have taken this trip asked us to include sightseeing to the Taj Mahal and other popular destinations on the trip. Therefore, we include visits to the Taj Mahal and Jaipur, to enhance your overall experience. This travel program includes almost all of your essential travel needs so you will have limited need to pay for additional services after our arrival in India, other than for personal items. Please refer to our terms and conditions for specific information regarding what is and is not included.

Rotarian Purpose



Our Indian hosts have opened their arms to receive us by helping to create a unique and exceptional itinerary. In addition to our participation in the National Immunization Days (NID), we will participate in special Rotary activities and events. **During our visit, all participants will be expected to attend all events and official programs,** including the National Immunization Day activities and Rotary club visits.

Passport, Visa and Health Requirements:

All U.S. citizens are required to have a valid passport and Indian visa. The cost of obtaining your passport and visa are not included in the tour price. Howard Tours will help our tour members to obtain their visa, by forwarding detailed visa instructions with your tour confirmation materials.

Inoculations: The Center for Disease Control (http://www.cdc.gov) **recommend** that U.S. citizens take precautions against yellow fever, malaria, COVID, and other diseases. Please consult your physician or travel clinic to determine the precautions appropriate for you.

Currently, the Indian Government does not require international travelers to be fully vaccinated against COVID 19. Additional testing on entry/quarantine may apply based on random testing upon arrival. If a traveler tests positive an 8 day quarantine will be required. Therefore, we recommend that all tour members should take an antigen Covid test within 24 hours of the start of their journey to ensure that they do not test positive upon arrival in India. All tour members must sign and return a COVID Waiver before departure.

We will continue to monitor local requirements and update our policies accordingly.

Delivery of Documents:

Travel documents will be delivered shortly before our date of departure. We will send documents to you via UPS or other secure delivery method. Please be provide a delivery address file where someone is available to receive and sign for packages during normal business hours.



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Delhi, Agra, and Jaipur, India 2024 NID Tour Application

Please Print Clearly

Image: Traveler 1: NAME:
(Name EXACLY as it appears on your passport—no nicknames, please)
Passport No.: please send a photocopy of your passport along with this form
Fraveler 2: NAME: (Name EXACTLY as it appears on your passport—no nicknames, please)
Passport No.: please send a photocopy of your passport along with this form
ADDRESS:
CITY: STATE: ZIP:
PHONE: Day: Evening:
E-Mail:
Member, Rotary Club of: District:
Highest Rotary Office Held and Year:
Hotel Accommodations Desired (please circle one): Single Double Shared Double (2 beds)
Airfare: Please quote roundtrip airfare with my tour: Yes No
Airfare will be paid separately from tour costs.) If yes, Originating U.S. Airport:
Send application to Howard Tours, with a <u>legible photocopy of the personal information page of each</u> passport and \$600 per person deposit, by check. By signing this application you are indicating that you nave read and accept all conditions within this folder.
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<u>PAYMENTS</u>: Send \$600 per person, payable <u>only</u> by check, with application, and a legible copy of your passport's information page. Remaining payments due upon request and may be paid by check or credit card. Assign deposit check to: "<u>Howard Tours and Travel Service,</u>". Specify "India NID Rotary Tour" on the check.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Bank Trustee Account and Financial Responsibilities: Payments are deposited in a Bank of America, Grand Lake Branch, Oakland, California, trustee account, used exclusively for this program. By law, Howard Tours cannot and will not use these funds for any purpose other than to defray the program costs. While the money is in the bank, Bank of America, and NOT Howard Tours, is custodian of the funds. When the travel service companies are paid, Howard Tours will have met its financial and trustee obligation for the travel services involved.

Per Person Tour Prices Include: (1) Double occupancy hotel accommodations; (2) Specified meals and special events; (3) Private motorcoach sightseeing and transfers; (4) English speaking guide, when needed; (5) Entrance fees; (6) Tips to local guides, drivers and hotel porters; (7) NID, Rotary and other special events and values as identified in the itinerary.

Prices do NOT include: (1) All Airfares; (2) Passport fees; (3) Local airport departure taxes; (4) All insurance; (5) All personal expenses, (e.g., phone, laundry, etc.); (6) All health, medical and travel immunizations, and related expenses as required for entry into India; (7) Indian Visa Fee; (8) Refunds for missed or unused services; (9) Accommodations and services not specified in the itinerary; (10) Overnight delivery fees or delivery fees for clients outside the continental U.S.; (11) COVID testing; (12) Any/all additional expenses related to delays, quarantines, medical expenses, accommodations/meals, etc., caused by a positive COVID test or diagnosis.

Conditions of Prices: Prices are based on: a minimum number of travelers, airfares, taxes, fuel surcharges, and the relative value between the U.S. dollar and the currencies of the countries listed at the time the tours are priced and the folder is published. By joining this program, you acknowledge that travelers may be charged additional sums by Howard Tours, to offset increased fees, fuel surcharges, taxes, fluctuations in foreign exchange markets or any combination thereof, and therefore you consent to any post-purchase price increases. Visa, MasterCard and American Express are accepted for final payment.

Changes of Itinerary: Howard Tours reserves the right to change the itinerary or services for reasons which may be out of our control, (e.g.,: airline schedule changes, number of people who join a tour, natural disasters, local Rotary activities, etc.) If changes are necessary, the traveler may be assessed any extra charges or refunds.

Cancellations and Other Charges: Cancellations must be made by letter, E-mail, or fax and NOT by telephone. Partial or total cancellation of tour services, regardless of reason, are subject to: (1) Funds that may be withheld or imposed by the airlines, hotels, sightseeing companies, etc.; and (2) A per person Howard Tours' cancellation service fee, prorated before departure, as follows: \$400 up to 46 days before departure, and \$600 within 45 days of departure. Cancellations within 30 days of departure are fully non-refundable. Travelers whose changes result in rewritten air tickets will be charged whatever penalties the airlines may impose, and a Howard Tours \$50 service fee. Because the airlines, hotels, etc. impose heavy cancellation fees, we recommend the purchase of "Cancellation Insurance," which is available through Howard Tours.

Responsibility Clause: Howard Tours of Oakland, California, operates these programs as an agent for the travelers who join them, and for the various companies which perform services on land, sea and in the air. Individuals apply for membership and are accepted in these programs on the conditions that Howard Tours and its officers will not be responsible for irregularities, omissions, acts, events, or for any additional expenses due to delays, strikes, military action, riots, airplane hi-jacking, civil disorders, losses, injuries, sickness, damage, political action, and/or other matters related to any personal or property involving any facility, transport services, personnel and/or activity in the operations of this program. Because Howard Tours has no control over flights, sailings, rail schedules, and connections between flights, Howard Tours does not accept any responsibilities for these services. Air tickets, and the related tariff conditions filed with the Civil Aeronautics Board, constitute the sole contract between the airline and the purchaser of the travel program.

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