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### INDIA TRANS-HIIMALAYAN ADVENTURE RIDE

#### WORLDS HIGHEST MOTORABLE ROAD, OFFROADING & MYSTICAL MOUNTAINS

Day 1: CHANDIGARH – MANALI (Distance: 325 km, Travel Time: 10-12 hrs, Elevation: 2,050m/6,726ft) Group pickup from Chandigarh airport on arrival and departure to Manali. Expect to arrive in Manali by the evening/at night as per flight timings.



Day 2: Explore MANALI

At the northern end of Kulu valley, a beautiful Himalayan hill station with an unbeatable location. The river Beas meanders through the town, surrounded by deodar and pine trees, fruit orchards and grassy meadows carpeted with wildflowers giving way to stunning views of lofty snow-capped peaks. Famous for their unique style of dress, the friendly locals will welcome you in their customary pill box hats.

Day trip options: Hadimba temple, Manu temple, Vashisht Hot Water Springs and Temple, Manikaran Hot Springs and Temple, Kasol, Naggar Castle and Roerich Art Gallery, Shankchar Village, Solang Valley for paragliding and zorbing.

Day 3-4 : MANALI – ROHTANG – KEYLONG – JISPA – BARALACHA – SARCHU (Distance: 51km/64km/30km/43km/42km– 230km; Travel Time: 8-10 hrs; Elevation: Rohtang– 3,978m / 13,051ft, Keylong– 3,350m/10,991ft, Jispa– 3,182m/10,439ft, Baralacha La - 5045m /16,551ft, Sarchu – 4,290m/ 14,075ft)

This is the toughest part of the journey, the long drive from Manali to Leh. The highway is open only between June and mid-September when snow is cleared, connecting Manali and Kullu valley's to Lahaul-Spiti and Ladakh. Crossing some of the highest mountain passes in the world on this highway promises to be one of the most memorable and scenic experiences of all time. On Day 3, we spend the night at Keylong, heading into high altitude on Day 4. The broken journey helps us better acclimatize.





Day 5: SARCHU – LACHULUNG LA – TANGLANG LA – LEH (Distance: 54km/81km/109km– 244km; Travel Time: 6-7 hrs; Elevation: Lachulung La – 5,059m/16,598ft, Tanglang La – 5,359m/ 17,582 ft, Leh – 3,505m/11,500ft)

Depart early morning, crossing the More Plains and the scenic Tanglang La to arrive in Leh by the afternoon. Could choose to relax after the long journey and acclimatize or walk around Leh town including a visit to the colourful Market, Leh Palace, Shanti Stupa & Leh Gompa

- Day 6: LEH – SHEY – THIKSEY – HEMIS - LEH (Shey – 3km; Thiksey – 23km; Hemis – 42km; Leh – 45km: Total: 113km) We start with Shey, the King's old palace, built in 1645 as a summer residence for the kings of Ladakh. The oldest palace in Ladakh and above it is an even older fortress. The palace and fort, now classified as world heritage *sites*, are in ruins but the monastery is in use to this day. Inside is a 39- foot statue made of gilded copper of the Sakyamuni Buddha. Then we visit Thiksey Gompa, an impressive complex rising tier upon tier on a hill above the village. The monastery has a beautiful 30 m high gold-plated statue of Maitreya Buddha and bears close resemblance to the Potala Palace in Lhasa, From Thiksey, we head to the Hemis Gompa, the biggest monastery in Ladakh. Located 45 Km to the south of Leh. Hemis Gompa was built in 1630 and houses monks of the Brokpa or Red Hat sect. Tourists can see beautiful frescoes (paintings) on the walls and the largest Thangka painting in Ladakh, which is over 12 m in length.



Day 7: LEH – KHARDUNG-LA – HUNDER – TURTUK (Distance: 37km / 90km / 90km – 217km; Travel Time: 6-7hrs; Elevation: Khardung La – 5,602m/18,380ft)

Driving from Leh, we cross the mighty Khardung La, known as one of the world's highest motorable passes, into the Nubra Valley. On the Nubra and Shyok rivers, this valley is a mix of desert sand dunes and interspersed lush green villages. The valley is one of those rare places on earth where you can see in one place the splendid beauty of a desert complete with bactrian camels (two-humped), sand dunes, rolling mountains, flowing streams and snow topped peaks. giving it a surreal, dreamlike quality.

Overnight at camp in Turtuk. Meal inclusions: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



### Day 8: At TURTUK

A highlight on this trip, the remote village of Turtuk, once a part of Baltistan. Besides the amazing scenery, there is an ancient fort and a monastery and the area boasts of rare wildlife: marmots, ibex and the elusive snow leopard. We'll spend the day exploring & take a dip in the icy col glacier waters, while eating food fresh from the fields.

Overnight at camp in Turtuk. Meal inclusions: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner



Day 9: TURTUK – HUNDER (Distance: 90km, Travel Time: 3-4hrs; Elevation: Hunder – 3,048m/10,000ft) Heading back along the river side & heading back into the Nubra valley. We stop at Hunder for overnight stay. In evening we visit Diskit Gompa dating back to the 14th century on the silk route.

Overnight at camp. Meal inclusions: Breakfast, Dinner

Day 10: HUNDER – SHYOK – PANGONG TSO (Distance: 89km / 65km – 154km, Travel Time: 6-7 hrs; Elevation: Pangong Tso – 4,250m/13,943ft) Taking the road less travelled from the Nubra Valley, a scenic route along the Shyok River into the Changthang region of Ladakh. Broken roads, dirt tracks and flowing glacial streams to ride through, this is one of the most adventurous of our days on the road as we head up to Pangong Tso – a high altitude lake in the Ladakh Himalayas. The lake is 134 km long and extends from India to Tibet. Two thirds of the length of this lake lies in Tibet. The lake is 5 km (3 mi) wide at its broadest point.

Overnight at a camp by the lake.



Day 11: PANGONG TSO – CHANG LA – LEH (Distance: 82km/78km – 160km, Travel Time: 5-6 hrs)

After spending the morning at the shores of the beautiful Pangong, we ride back to Leh over Chang La, another of the highest motorable passes to complete the trip, we should arrive back to Leh by lunchtime. The rest of the day at leisure to explore Leh town & stock up on souvenirs.

Day 12: LEH - Departure Transfer to the airport to catch the early morning flight back to New Delhi or next point of transit.

Pricelist (per person, Royal Enfield 500cc) dependant on group size

Up to 6	8	12
US\$ 1599	US\$ 1499	US\$ 1399

**WHAT'S INCLUDED**

- Accommodation at good hotels in Manali, Leh.
- Accommodation at deluxe camps in Keylong, Sarchu, Turtuk, Hunder and Pangong .
- 500cc Royal Enfields for the group with fuel expenses.
- A pickup jeep as a backup vehicle for the entire duration of the trip.
- Mechanic included for the trip along with spare parts backup.
- Relocation cost of the bikes.
- A dedicated trip leader on a bike for the entire duration of the trip.
- Wireless communication support with the crew.
- All Inner line permits and wildlife fees as required.
- All airport transfers for arrivals and departures.

**WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED**

- international air fare
- any visa fees & personal insurance.

Accommodations we use:

- Manali – Ride Inn with breakfast and dinner included.
- Keylong – Juniper Camps with breakfast and dinner included.
- Sarchu – Mulkila Adventure Camp with breakfast and dinner included.
- Leh – Dragon Hotel with breakfast included.
- Turtuk – Turtuk Holiday Camp with breakfast, lunch and dinner included.
- Hunder – Royal Deluxe Camp with breakfast and dinner included.
- Pangong – Pangong Resort with breakfast and dinner included.