



INTERNATIONAL BUDDHIST CONFEDERATION
Collective Wisdom United Voices

IBC



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Second General Assembly Meeting, New Delhi,
December 2017

Message from the Secretary General

Dear brothers and sisters of Dharma,

The International Buddhist Confederation (IBC) is pleased to bring out this brochure on the organisation's objectives, agenda, and activities.

Based on the Resolution adopted at the Global Buddhist Congregation in New Delhi in 2011, the IBC was formed in 2012 as an umbrella Buddhist organisation headquartered in New Delhi, India. The IBC provides an apex global platform for various Buddhist traditions and organisations worldwide with the aim of preserving, propagating, and promoting shared Buddhist values and principles. In today's complex time defined by common global challenges that call for shared solutions, the values and tenets of Buddhism are even more relevant.

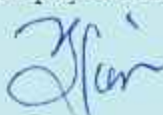
In pursuit of its aims and objectives, the IBC has organised Dhamma Teachings, dialogues between Theravada, Mahayana and Nalanda traditions, Interfaith Dialogues and formation of IBC Chapters outside India apart from several other events, seminars, workshops and meetings.

In December 2017, the newly elected Governing Council of IBC passed a resolution mandating the organisation to work on three core areas. These are to amend and modify the IBC constitution that guides its functioning, streamline the working of IBC Secretariat and establish a permanent IBC secretariat.

I am confident that with the support of Government bodies, public and private undertakings, international bodies and fellow Buddhist organisations in India and abroad, we will achieve our goals and fulfil our responsibility for spreading Buddha's message across the globe.

We owe deep and sincere gratitude to the Most Venerable Lama Lobzang, my predecessor and founder of the IBC, for his valuable contribution, guidance and leadership.

With prayers in the Dhamma



(Ven. Dr. Dhammapiya)

Secretary General

International Buddhist Confederation (IBC)





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About Us

The International Buddhist Confederation (IBC) is a global umbrella Buddhist body headquartered in New Delhi, India.

Established under the patronage of the supreme Buddhist religious hierarchy, it currently has a membership drawn from 39 countries of over 320 organisations, both monastic and lay, that include world bodies, national and regional federations, orders, temple bodies and monasteries, etc.

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United by the motto, "Collective Wisdom, United Voice", IBC aims to make Buddhist values and principles a part of the global

discourse by presenting a united Buddhist voice on issues that concern all humankind.

The IBC stands for transparency, inclusiveness and a balanced representation of various traditions, gender, bodies both monastic and lay, and emerging Buddhist communities in Africa, the Caribbean and South America. Praised by followers of Buddha Dhamma around the world for including both Sangha and laity in its governing structure, The IBC has been hailed by the international media as a forward looking, inclusive, credible and action-oriented world Buddhist umbrella body.

The IBC also stands for the enshrinement of holy relics and the preservation, development and promotion of Buddhist heritage worldwide, especially the holy sites of Bodh Gaya in India, where Buddha attained Enlightened Awakening, and Lumbini in Nepal, his birthplace.



The Birth of IBC

International Workshop in New Delhi

The IBC was conceived in August 2011, at an International Workshop in New Delhi, where 28 delegates from 11 countries unanimously agreed on the need to form a new international Buddhist umbrella body that would serve as a common platform for Buddhists worldwide. It was also agreed that this body would be

established in India, the land of origin of Buddha Dhamma, would be known as the **International Buddhist Confederation (IBC)**, and would be governed by the overarching theme of “**Collective Wisdom, United Voice**”.



Global Buddhist Congregation 2011

Following the International Workshop, the Global Buddhist Congregation (GBC) was organised in New Delhi, from 27-30 November 2011, to commemorate 2,600 years of Buddha's Sambodhiprapti. Attended by 900 delegates from 46 countries, this historic assembly, that included the Supreme Patriarchs of Buddhist countries, heads of various traditions, organisations and monasteries, adopted a unanimous Resolution to form the International Buddhist Confederation (IBC), an umbrella world Buddhist organisation to be based in India.

The International Buddhist Confederation (IBC) was registered in New Delhi in November 2012 under the Societies Registration Act 1860.

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Mission Statement

To gather the collective wisdom of Buddhists around the world, to speak with a united Buddhist voice, to make Buddhist values part of global engagement while working to preserve and promote Buddhist heritage, traditions and practices.

Aims and Objectives

- Providing a united and common platform for all Buddhist traditions and organisations in the spirit of diversity and plurality in order to serve humanity and the path of Dhamma
- Lending a united voice to all Buddhist organisations towards addressing, engaging and evolving a Buddhist response to issues of Buddhist and global concern
- Working with national and state governments, global and multilateral bodies and organisations on issues of shared concern
- Acting united against all forms of violence and propagating compassion and the concept of interdependent nature to foster true peace in the world
- Working towards putting the Buddhist principle of welfare of all sentient beings in practice for preservation of the environment and nature conservation
- Fostering and engaging in interfaith dialogue, exchange, collaboration and understanding
- Fostering equality of humankind across the world and also working to foster greater social and gender equality in accordance with Buddha's teaching within the Buddhist world
- Deepening understanding among different Buddhist traditions by fostering the familial characters of Dhamma while preserving its multifaceted ways, diversified concepts and traditions
- Ensuring that the path and practice of Dhamma retains social relevance in a changing society while honouring its traditions and practices
- Identification, conservation and preservation of Buddhist practices, institutions and Buddhist heritage sites worldwide
- Facilitating constant dialogue between Buddhism and modern sciences
- Working towards the inclusion of Buddhist values and principles in the global social and political discourse
- Publishing journals/newsletter on Buddhism

First Founding Members Conclave

The First Founding Members Conclave of the IBC was held from 09-12 September, 2013 in New Delhi, attended by 280 delegates representing 34 countries and over 220 organisations worldwide. The participants at the conclave represented both Theravadin and Mahayana/Nalanda traditions of Buddhism. During the four-day Conclave, delegates deliberated on various issues related to preservation and development of Buddhist heritage sites worldwide, environment, Buddhism in public domain, women in Buddhism and youth outreach.

First General Assembly Meeting (11-12 September, 2013)

The Conclave formed the First General Assembly (Body) of the IBC, which ratified the IBC Charter and Constitution, and elected its Governing Body (Council) and office bearers for the next three years.



Second General Assembly Meeting



The 2nd General Assembly Meeting of the IBC was held on 10 December 2017 in New Delhi. The day-long meeting was attended by delegates, both monastic and lay, representing various Sanghas, Monasteries and Buddhist organisations and supreme Dhamma Patriarchs worldwide. They deliberated on all the issues concerning the IBC and its future. As per the provisions of its constitution, the General Assembly elected a new Governing Council and office bearers for the next three years.

Governing Council Meetings



The **1st IBC Governing Council Meeting** held at Rajgir, Bihar on 10-11 December, 2014 was attended by 38 members. The Council formed an 11-member Working Group to guide and assist the IBC Secretariat in its functioning and also deliberated on the proposed amendments to the constitution.

The **2nd Governing Council Meeting** of the IBC was held at the Temple Town of Ayutthaya in Thailand from 1-4 March 2016. The meeting was organised in partnership with the International Network of Engaged

Buddhists and the Thammasat University, Thailand.

The **3rd Governing Council Meeting** of the newly elected members of the IBC was held on 11 December 2017 in New Delhi. The Governing Council unanimously passed a resolution for (a) amendment and rectification of the IBC constitution, (b) streamlining of IBC membership, allocation of membership numbers and certificates and their role and responsibilities, (c) need for a permanent IBC Secretariat, and (d) fundraising.



Organisational Structure

The Council of Patrons is a permanent body and the highest in the organisational structure of the IBC. It includes as Patrons the supreme religious heads of the Sanghas of various traditions and countries.

The Supreme Dhamma Council is the second highest permanent body comprising heads of various traditions, sects, lineage holders and temples and senior abbots and abbesses.

The General Assembly consists of Voting Members in three categories, namely: (a) National Sanghas and Federations (b) Monastic and Temple Bodies and (c) Organisational Members. It also consists of two categories of

Non-Voting Members, namely: (a) Emeritus and Honorary Members and (b) Associate Members.

The Governing Council, elected by members of the General Assembly, comprises: (a) Presidents (b) Vice Presidents (c) Secretary General (d) Deputy Secretaries General (e) Secretaries (f) Assistant Secretaries (g) Treasurer (h) Assistant Treasurer and (i) Executive Members.

The Secretariat of the IBC is headed by the Secretary General, who may appoint other senior Executive Officers and staff as he may deem necessary to implement policies, programmes and projects of the IBC.

Funding of IBC

IBC was accorded recognition as a "Cultural Organisation with National Presence" by the Ministry of Culture, Government of India, from which it receives an annual grant. Besides, IBC is also seeking assistance in the form of donations, sponsorships for its corpus as well as for its projects and programmes from international organisations, donor agencies, private foundations, public and private enterprises and its own members.



Plan, Programmes and Projects

Dharma Activities

- Dhamma Teachings and Collaborations (*Science and Spirituality for Indian lay people*)—utilising the galaxy of eminent Buddhist masters of all traditions in the IBC membership both from India and other countries
- Annual multi-tradition, multi-national Triptika/Ti-pitika chanting in Bodhgaya, Sarnath, Shravasti, Rajgir, Sankissa, Lumbini and Delhi in partnership with global Buddhist sangha organisations
- Dialogue between Theravada, Mahayana and Nalanda Tradition (*Vajrayana/Tibetan Buddhism*) to bring about commonalities, unity and removing misgivings
- Creation of database of all Buddhist monasteries, organisations, institutions in India and outside India
- Exchange of monk and nun students (*residential programmes*) between monasteries of different traditions especially the Nalanda tradition (*Tibetan Buddhism*) and Theravada
- Annual Rainy Retreat (*Varshavas*) for Buddhist sangha (*monks and nuns of various traditions/countries*) at Shravasti, UP
- Organising teachings of eminent masters of Vajrayana/Nalanda Tradition in Himalayan Region of India and Lumbini, Nepal in association with IBC Nepal Chapter and its associate members
- Empowering Buddhists in India, formation of a unified Indian Buddhist Sangha of monks and nuns from all traditions, including Ambedkarites
- Annual Buddha Jayanti Celebrations and aiming for UN Day of Vesak celebration in 2020 in New Delhi or Bodhgaya



Promoting India's Buddhist Heritage and Legacy as "Land of origin of Buddhism"

- Identification, preservation and development of Buddhist holy relics and sites, practices and traditions, and exploring Buddhist cultural assets.
- Conclave on Archaeological, Tourist, Cultural and Spiritual aspects of Buddhism and its significance for India.
- Working with Ministry of Culture for a comprehensive survey of Buddhist heritage and sacred sites in India, identify critical areas and suggest infrastructure and facilitation improvements.
- Collaborate with Ministry of Tourism to commission pictorial compilation of all Buddhist pilgrimage and heritage sites, spiritual trails and events.
- Organise interactive meetings/ conclave, with various Government Ministries and State Government on developments within Buddhist world, their aspirations and linkages with India.
- Asokan Legacy – study, workshops, exhibitions, seminars on the legacy of Samrat Ashoka a universal icon of Buddhism after Buddha.
- Working towards fulfilment of Bodhgaya Declaration 2015 adopted in the presence of Hon'ble Prime Minister and the call given by him for developing Bodhgaya as spiritual capital of the world.
- Partnering state governments and World Bank to promote and develop "In the footsteps of Buddha" to rejuvenate ancient Buddhist Pilgrimage of eight sacred sites associated with life of Buddha (*Bodhgaya, Sarnath, Rajgir, Shravasti, Vaishali,*



Sankissa, Kushinagar and Lumbini).

- Building a South Asian Buddhist pilgrimage circuit with Bodhgaya (*Navel of the world*

as per Theravada discourse) at the core and linking with Myanmar and S E Asian Buddhist circuit.

Evolving IBC as a truly global organisation and forum for United Buddhist Voice and gaining membership of multilateral world bodies

- Building consensus and formulating united Buddhist voice on issues of global and regional concerns.
- UN Sustainable Developmental Goals (SDG) – adopting UN SDG and partnering UN and other multilateral bodies especially on

Environment/Climate Change, Wildlife trade, Gender equality, Education, Peace and Conflict Resolution, Inter-Religious understanding and harmony, and Disaster relief.

- Interfaith Dialogue and Global Peace initiatives.

IBC chapter
Nepal



- Engaged Buddhism – fostering socially engaged projects and initiatives partnering NGOs.
- Environment, Climate Change and Nature Conservation – Leading the Buddhist world in building consensus and Buddhist global voice and contribution, launching **#One World Act Now** global campaign, etc.
- Formation of IBC Country Chapters and Regional Centres – South Asia, ASEAN, Northern, Far East Asia and Russia, ANZ Oceania, Africa, South and Central America, Northern America and Caribbean, Europe for streamlining and expanding the IBC membership for better coordination and evolving as Global Body of Buddhism and its United Voice (*current chapters are in Nepal, Sri Lanka and Malaysia*).
- Organising regional, national and international conclaves/conferences and workshops in India and abroad partnering with IBC chapters and member organisations.

Outreach, Partnerships, Scholarships, Student exchange, Academic research and Chairs

- MOUs and collaborations with different Universities, Institutions and Monasteries both in India and abroad, with special focus on ASEAN, Sri Lanka, Nepal and Bhutan.
- National and International Scholarship Programmes for Pali and Mahayana Buddhist studies at various universities/institutions.
- Buddhist Leadership and Volunteers (Dharmaduta) Training Programmes.
- Establishing academic chairs in the Buddhist Universities of SE Asia, Sri Lanka, Nepal and Korea on the lines of ICCR chairs.
- Cultural exchanges, Research and Academic collaborations.

Publications, Journal, Web and Buddhist media

- Strengthening and institutionalising the IBC Standing Committee on Academic, Institutions and Publications as a credible Buddhist Think Tank and forum for coordinating partnerships and collaborations with Buddhist institutions, Centres, Museums and Think Tanks worldwide.
- Building a strong web presence through a dedicated web news and views portal, quarterly e-journal Sambodhi and social media pages.
- Formation of Asian Buddhist Media Network (*follow up on consensus at 1st Asian Buddhist Media Conclave held in Aug 2018 in partnership with VIF*).
- A web-based Buddhist channel named Lotus (*with beaming rights of morning and evening prayers from Mahabodhi Temple, Bodhgaya*) and Lotus talk series across Asia on the lines of TED talks.

IBC Events

- *Conferences:* Bodhgaya – the Navel of Universe, Dialogue on Tripitika, Abhidhamma and Vinaya between various Buddhist traditions, Ancient Indian masters and their contribution to spread of Buddhism and Buddhist discourse (Kumarajeeva & Bodhidharma, Nagarjuna, Atisha, Padmasambhava, Shantideva etc), Asokan Legacy, Samvad Hindu Buddhist Initiative on Conflict Avoidance & Environment Consciousness, Asian Buddhist Media Conclave and follow up workshops, Buddhist Pilgrimage, and Inter-religious dialogue.
- *Dharma events:* Tripitika chanting at multiple locations, Annual rainy retreat for various Buddhist sangha in Shravasti, Dharma talk and International Dhamma walks from Jethian to Rajgir.
- *Festivals:* Buddhist Film, Arts, Music and Cultural Festivals, Nalanda Heritage Festival, Buddha Jayanti celebrations, UN Day of Vesak, # One World Act Now.
- *Exhibitions:* Buddhist Heritage Travel Mart (in association with India Tourism and Association of Buddhist Travel Operators-ABTO and local IBC partners) in Thailand, Korea, Vietnam, Taiwan, China and Japan, Exhibition of Buddhist Art.
- *IBC members conclaves and meetings:* Regional Conclave of IBC members and chapters (separate series of conclaves of IBC chapters and members in Europe, ASEAN, South Asia, North and Far East Asia, Americas), Annual IBC Governing Council Meetings and General Assembly (once in 3-years).



International Dhamma walks – Jethian to Rajgir



President of India Shri Ram Nath Kovind planted a sapling of the Bodhi tree at Rashtrapati Bhavan, Presidential Estate on Ashadha Purnima (Dharma Cakrapravartana Divas), 24 July, 2021



Vesak (Vesakha) Buddha Purnima Divas, 16 May, 2022



Ashadha Purnima (Dharma Cakrapravartana Divas), 13 July, 2022, Sarnath (U.P.)



Abhidhamma Divas, 9 October, 2022 at Gautam Buddha University, Greater Noida, the Chief Guest Most Ven. Sitagu Sayadaw Dr. Ashin Nyanissara, Myanmar with the Guest of Honour Most Ven. Dr. Waskaduwe Mahindawansa Mahananyake Thero, Sri Lanka



The Bhutanese delegation of high-ranking Monks on a spiritual & academic tour of India (26 Nov. - 3 Dec., 2022) visit the IBC Office



High-ranking Sri Lankan Buddhist Monks on a Pilgrimage to Bodh Gaya (26-30 Dec., 2022) also participated in discourses in the Holy City, the visit was coordinated by IBC



International and national participants at the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) conference (26 Nov. - 3 Dec., 2022) New Delhi

Holy Buddha Relic from India in Mongolia



A high level delegation led by Shri Kiren Rijiju, Hon'ble Minister of Law & Justice taking the Holy Buddha Relic from India to Mongolia for public Exposition - June 2022, Mongolia



A large number of devotees at the Gandantegchinlen Monastery to seek blessings of the Holy Buddha Relic - June 2022, Mongolia

IBC Celebrates 10th Anniversary



Offering flowers to the Sakyamuni Buddhabhy His Eminence 7th Kyabje Yongzin Ling Rinpoche, !Jr' Ven. Shartse Dr. Khensur Dhammapiya, Jangchup Secretary Choeden General, Rinpoche IBC, Deputy Secretary General, IBC, ' Geshe Lama Chosphel Zotpa, Secretary, IBC, 5 November, 2022



Venerables and IBC members from across the world share their contribution & thoughts on the enriching association with IBC

Other Initiatives

(a) Devni Mori Grand Relic Stupa and Vihara Project in Gujarat

The ambitious Grand Relic Stupa and Vihara Project at Devni Mori, Gujarat was envisioned by Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi while he was Chief Minister of Gujarat. The Sacred Buddha Relics, which were excavated from the ancient Vihara site at Devni Mori, are at present kept in the Museum in Vadodra. The Government of Gujarat and IBC signed an MoU in Gandhinagar in 2016 to create a Buddhist Heritage site in Devni Mori where these Holy Buddha Relics will be relocated for public viewing and worship. The MoU includes not only the project at Devni Mori but also extends to the entirety of Buddhist heritage sites in Gujarat covering around 100 caves and Viharas.

INTRODUCTION

There are five places in the world where body relics of Lord Buddha have been found namely:

- KAPILVASTU, NEPAL
- TAKSHILA, PAKISTAN
- NAGARHUNA KONDU, INDIA
- BHOTI, POKHU, INDIA
- DEVNI MORI, GUJARAT, INDIA

Devni Mori is one of the most significant Buddhist site in India which was excavated by noted archaeologist

S.N.Chatterjee (I.O.D., Archaeology, M.S. University, Vadodra) in 1958. A huge site consisting of Stupa, shrine and viharas. The remains of a Buddhist monastery belong to 3rd-4th century AD have been unearthed from base of the river Mehsana.



FINDINGS AT DEVNI MORI

Excavation of the Stupa brought to light an Harikirtan stupa which contained Relic of Buddha. The inscription clearly mentions that the Casket contains body Relics of Lord Buddha.



The Relic containing of stupa casket having original name of Gautam Buddha with Detailed inscription, which found from Devni Mori.

To showcase the Relic of Buddha internationally and make Devni Mori as an inevitable and auspicious Buddhist destination so that the Devni Mori could be developed as one of the most important global Buddhist spiritual destination and in future be a significant destination for followers of Buddhism, tourist and scholars of theology, religious art and architecture.



MAP OF GUJARAT



THE VISION

To create Devni Mori as an inevitable and auspicious Buddhist destination so that Devni Mori could be developed as one of the most important global Buddhist spiritual destination and in future be a significant destination for followers of Buddhism, tourist & scholars of theology, religious art & architecture.

OBJECTIVES

- To create unique display of relics of Lord Buddha.
- To preserve & to exhibit the submerged ruins of Buddhist site.
- To build an exclusive world class Buddhist knowledge center.
- To build a state of the art museum.
- To build a scripture library.
- To develop eco-tourism around the site.
- To build world class cultural pavilions from Buddhist motifs.

BUDDHISM

Buddhism is a set of principles or philosophy based on the teachings of Lord Buddha, who was born in 563 BCE at Lumbini, Nepal as Siddhartha Gautam, a Shakyas prince.

It preaches the path of practice and spiritual development, thus, leading an insight into the truth of life.

The main objective of Buddhism is to end the suffering of cyclic existence or 'samsara' by awakening a being to the realization of the truth and the achievement of liberation. According to the Buddhist doctrine, there is only one way to reach the destruction of reality - One should purify and train the mind and heart and act as per the laws of Karma to purify the soul.

PRINCIPALS OF BUDDHISM

An understanding of the Principles of Buddhism is a basic requirement for a person who desires to understand Buddhism on the whole. These Principles include the 4 Noble Truths, the Eightfold Path, Refuge in 3 jewels, the 5 Precepts and the 3 Marks of Conditioned Existence.



Four Noble Truths
Cultural Heritage
Religious Art
Buddhist Architecture
Buddhist Literature



The Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi and the Prime Minister of Nepal, Shri Sher Bahadur Deuba at the foundation stone laying ceremony of the India International Centre for Buddhist Culture and Heritage, (an IBC initiative) in the Lumbini Monastic Zone, Nepal, on the auspicious day of Vesak (Vesakha) Buddha Purnima Divas, 16 May, 2022



The model of the proposed India International Centre for Buddhist Culture and Heritage,(IICBCH) Lumbini, Nepal



An aerial view of the India International Centre for Buddhist Culture And Heritage, (IICBCH)
Lumbini, Nepal



(b) Grand Sacred Buddha Relic Project, Aastha Kunj, New Delhi

It is proposed to establish a Grand Buddhist Monument at Aastha Kunj in South Delhi (near the famous Lotus Temple). This monument with the Sacred Buddhist Relics (from the National Museum) consecrated with due sanctity in the National Capital Region would be a fitting tribute to India's Buddhist heritage.

Eminent Visitors to IBC



IBC's Executive Member Ven. Thich Nhat Tu, Vietnam, 19 October, 2022

H.H. 12th Chamgon Ken ting Tai Situpa, Palpung Sherabbling Monastery, Himachal Pradesh, 17 November, 2022



Most Ven. Sitagu Sayadaw Dr. Ashin Nyanissara, Myanmar, 2 February, 2023

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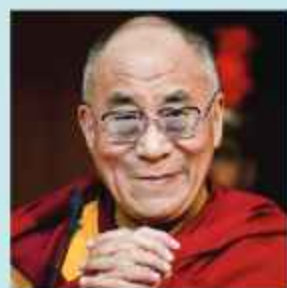
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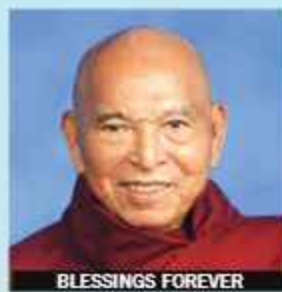
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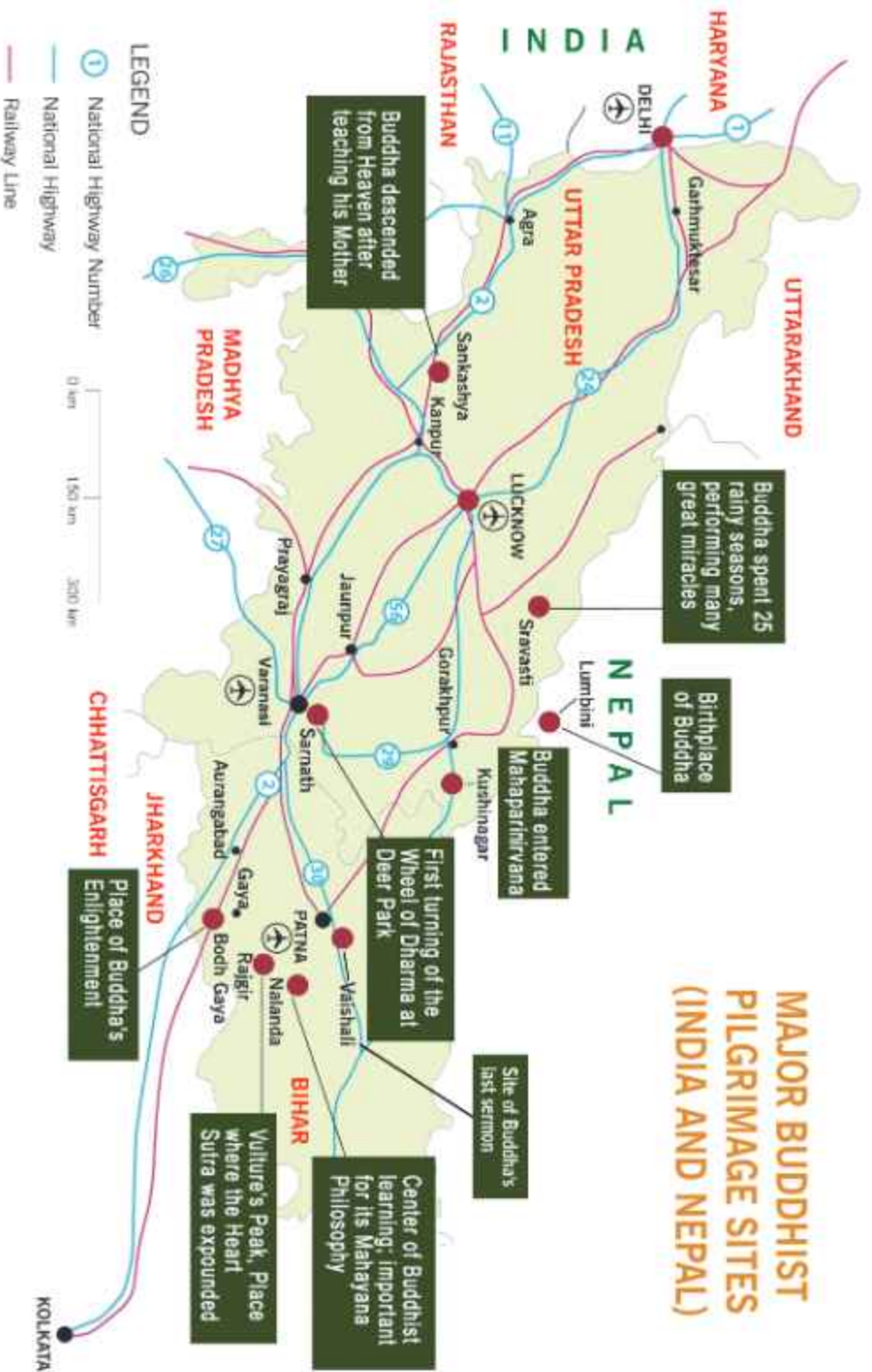
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