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# INDIA'S LATEST NEWS



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## NEWS HIGHLIGHT

- Ministry plans long-term visas to help double tourist inflows
- Govt plans to promote Kumbh Mela as international event, invite foreign dignitaries
- India eases foreign investors' access to international finance hub
- India may become 4th wealthiest nation by 2027
- IBM to invest in tech to predict floods, cyclones in India
- First human-to-human heart transplant in India

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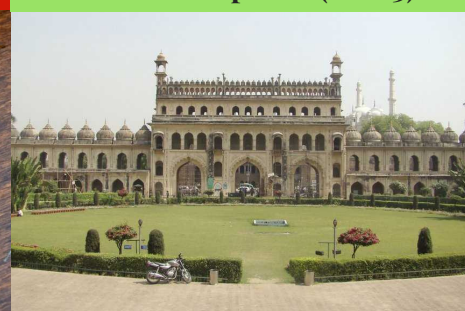


Yoga for Harmony & Peace

## CULTURE & CULINARY Rajasthani Gatta Curry Recipe



## TRAVEL TO INDIA Islamic Architecture in India – Ramadhan Special (Part 3)



## **MINISTRY PLANS LONG-TERM VISAS TO HELP DOUBLE TOURIST INFLOWS**

The Tourism Ministry is proposing long-term visas as a measure to boost foreign tourist arrivals in the country. The Ministry is mooting introduction of long-term visas, easing of travel restrictions in some regions, and more flights to popular tourist destinations as measures to help double foreign tourist arrivals in three years. “We already have multiple-entry visas. Now we want long-term visas like in the US and other countries, like 5- and 10-year visas, for which we will write to various ministries,” Tourism Minister KJ Alphons said. “Currently, the duration is 60 days. All these things add up to our target of doubling tourist inflow in three years.”

Source: Economic Times

## **GOVT PLANS TO PROMOTE KUMBH MELA AS INTERNATIONAL EVENT, INVITE FOREIGN DIGNITARIES**

The government plans to promote the Kumbh Mela as a destination for tourists, and encourage visitors and dignitaries from foreign countries to attend the event. The Kumbh Mela will be held between January 15 and March 4 next year in Allahabad. Uttar Pradesh Minister Sidharth Nath Singh said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi wants to promote the religious congregation as an international event and a destination for tourists as well as pilgrims. He also added that the Prime Minister wants the state government to invite dignitaries of foreign countries for the event. As part of the promotion, External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj will take a group of diplomats, including ambassadors and high commissioners, to Allahabad in December ahead of the event. The Prime Minister may also invite some heads of states, sources said.

Source: Indian Express

## **INDIA EASES FOREIGN INVESTORS' ACCESS TO INTERNATIONAL FINANCE HUB**

India's market regulator eased rules for foreign investors to trade in securities at a new international finance centre, stepping up competition with markets such as Singapore and Dubai that are seen as more investment-friendly. The government has been trying to lure foreign investors to Gujarat International Finance Tec-City, or GIFT City and offers close to zero tax, dollar contracts, and top-notch infrastructure. The markets regulator Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) allowed most foreign investors to route their orders for trading at GIFT City through segregated nominee account providers without having to register themselves.

Earlier, overseas investors had to follow a cumbersome registration process or stringent know-your-customer rules to be able to trade at the international finance centre.

Source: Reuters



## INDIA MAY BECOME 4TH WEALTHIEST NATION BY 2027

The private wealth of Indians shot up 25 percent between 2016 and 2017, taking the country to the sixth spot among the world top 10 wealthiest countries – one rank higher than in 2016. If you think that's impressive, consider this: Between 2017 and 2027, India's wealth is projected to grow by a whopping 200 percent, the fastest rate among the wealthiest nations.

Source: My Republica

## IBM TO INVEST IN TECH TO PREDICT FLOODS, CYCLONES IN INDIA

IBM said it will invest in technologies to predict natural disasters like floods and cyclones in India, as part of a USD 30-million global programme aimed at disaster relief. The global tech major has joined hands with the United Nations, American Red Cross, David Clark Cause and the Linux Foundation for a global initiative to use technology to predict and effectively respond to natural disasters, its managing director for India, Karan Bajwa, said.

Source: PTI

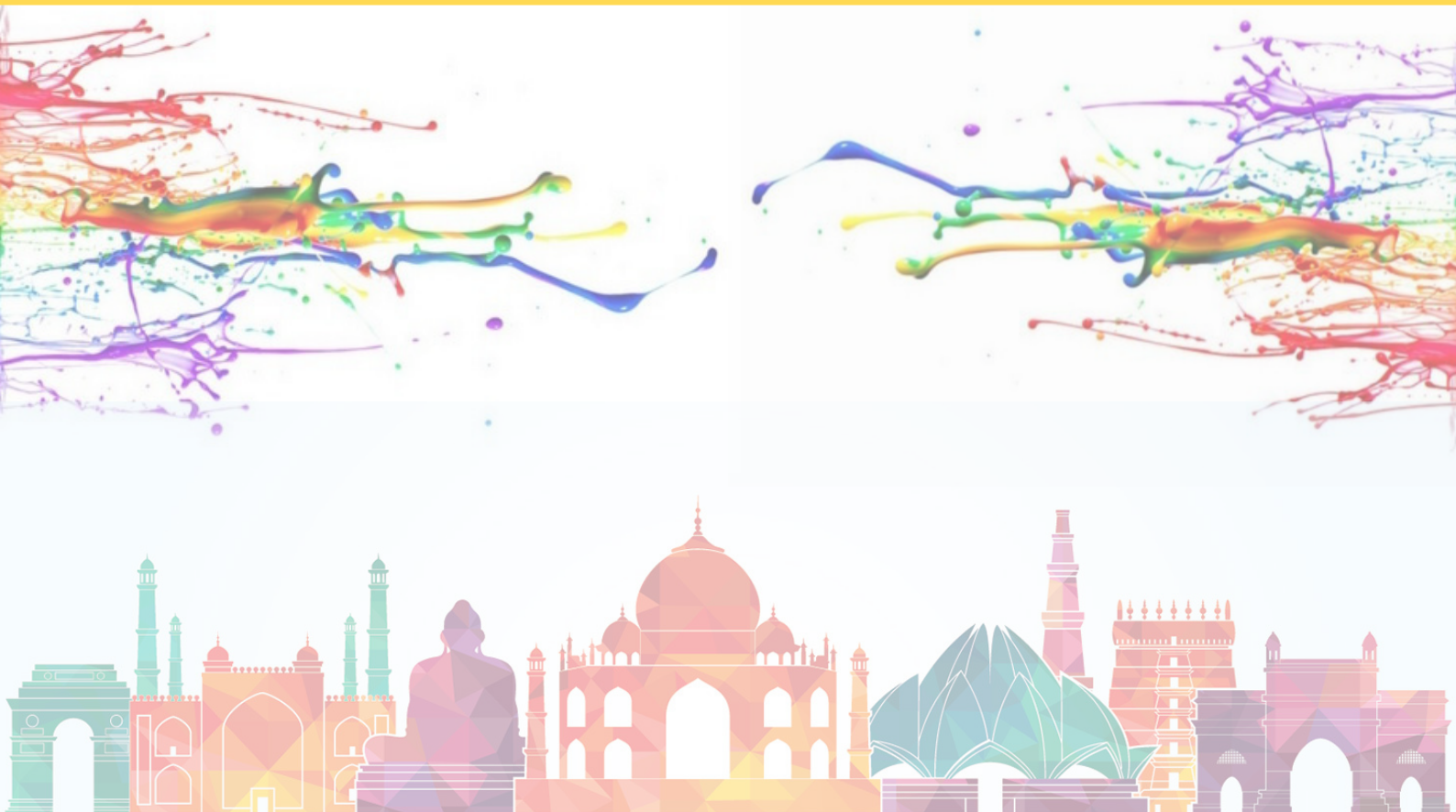
## FIRST HUMAN-TO-HUMAN HEART TRANSPLANT IN INDIA

In what is claimed to be the first human-to-human heart transplant in eastern India, surgeons in a private hospital in Kolkata on Monday transplanted the heart of a 21-year-old man who died in Bengaluru a day back on a 39-year-old patient from Jharkhand.

"This operation is being performed for the first time in the eastern region. This is a very major operation, we cannot comment on the outcomes now," said spokesman of the Fortis Hospital. The operation was completed within three hours by a team of doctors.

The success of the transplant will be known eventually. Kolkata surgeons are hopeful that the first human-to-human heart transplant in eastern India will increase awareness of organ donation in the state.

Source: Gulf Today





## **WINNERS OF CIPTA LOGO COMPETITION CONTEST 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN RI AND INDIA**

Winners of Cipta Logo Competition Contest 70th Anniversary of Diplomatic Relations between RI and India

Committee of Cipta Logo Competition Logo The 70th Anniversary of Diplomatic Relations between Indonesia and India is to thank the participation of all participants of Cipta Logo Logo Contest for the 70th Anniversary of Diplomatic Relations between Indonesia and India. Within 4 - 21 May 2018, the Committee has received 38 logo designs from Indonesian and Indian Citizen participants from various professions and ages.

On May 22, 2018, the Assessment Team from Indonesia and India and competent in its field has conducted the judging process for all 38 logo designs received by the Committee. From the judging process has been selected 1 (one) logo design winner. Assessment is based on the originality of ideas, visual display, messaging, and theme conformity. The winning logo design will be the official logo of the 70th Anniversary of RI-Indonesia Diplomatic Relations.

The winners of the Cultivation Contest Logo The 70th Anniversary of Diplomatic Relations between RI and India are:

Anto Wibowo, Graphic Designer, Jakarta

The decision of the Appraisal Team is absolute and inviolable. Winners will be contacted by the Committee and entitled to a pre-determined prize.

Congratulations to the Winner!

# MISSION'S ACTIVITIES



Meeting on Friday, 25 May 2018. Between Ambassador Embassy of India, Jakarta (Mr. Pradeep Kumar Rawat) with Governor of Jakarta (Mr. Anies Rasyid Baswedan), Courtesy Call and discuss about upcoming PM visit to Jakarta.

## INTERNATIONAL DAY OF YOGA



### 4TH INTERNATIONAL DAY OF YOGA 2018



Ten Cities, Ten Days, Bringing Together Twenty Thousand Yoga Lovers  
"Promoting Health and Happiness through Yoga"

Embassy of India is happy to present to you an unprecedented celebration of 4th International Day of Yoga (IDY 2018) across Indonesia and Timor Leste.

In association with Governments, Yoga and community associations; the celebration of 4th IDY would be conducted in Ten cities as per the schedule below.

City	Date	Time	Venue	Contact Person
Malang	22 <sup>nd</sup> April	6.30 - 8.00 am	Muhammadiyah University, Malang (UMM), Approx. 500 Participants	Mr. Suprpto : +62 8123368597
Jakarta	28 <sup>th</sup> April	2.00 - 9.00 pm	One Earth Meditation Retreat Centre - Clawi	Mr. Joehanes : +62 811144959
Yogyakarta	5 <sup>th</sup> May	3.30 - 5.30 pm	Halaman Kantor Balai Kota, Jl. Kenari No.56, Yogyakarta	Mr. Joehanes : +62 811144959
Bandung	9 <sup>th</sup> June	6.30 - 8.00 am	Venue, TBC Approx. 500 Participants	Mr. Dudit : +62 81321331574
Bali	16 <sup>th</sup> June	4.00 - 9.00 pm	Anand Ashram Ubud, Jl. Sri Wedari Km. 3	Mr. Joehanes : +62 811144959
Dili (Timor Leste)	16 <sup>th</sup> June	6.30 - 8.00 am	Venue, Dili Approx. 500 Participants	Mr. R.O. Sunil Babu +62 8113867270
Bali	17 <sup>th</sup> June	6.30 - 8.00 am	Venue, Renon, Lapangan Niti Mandala, Denpasar Approx. 2000 Participants	Mrs. Kezia : +62 87851431024
Surabaya	21 <sup>st</sup> June	6.30 - 8.00 am	Brawijaya Driving Range Golf course Jl. Hayam Wuruk No. 54-A Approx. 5000 Participants	Mr. U P Singh: +62 81330896682 Mr. Guna Shekhar : +62 89652270770
Jakarta	23 <sup>rd</sup> June	6.30 - 8.00 am	Taman Menteng, Jakarta Pusat Approx. 1500 Participants	Mr. Makrand Shukla +62 8159202686
Medan	24 <sup>th</sup> June	6.30 - 8.00 am	Venue, Brastagi Ground, Tiara Convention Center (TBC) Approx. 1000 Participants	Mrs. Mariana Sin +62 82166689800
Yogyakarta	24 <sup>th</sup> June	6.30 - 8.00 am	Prambanan Temple Complex Grand finale - Record Breaking Approx. 10000 Participants	Mrs. Roswita: +62 8128863773
Surabaya	10 <sup>th</sup> August	6.30 - 8.00 am	Airlangga University Approx. 500 Participants	Mrs. Afifah +62 8113579313

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**4TH INTERNATIONAL DAY OF YOGA**  
On December 11, 2014, the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) declared June 21st as the International Day of Yoga (IDY). The declaration came after the call for the adoption of June 21st as International Day of Yoga by Indian Prime Minister, Narendra Modi during his address to UNGA on September 27, 2014. The date (June 21) is the Summer Solstice, the longest day of the year in the Northern Hemisphere, and has special significance in many parts of the world. Given the tremendous interest the celebration of the 3<sup>rd</sup> International Day of Yoga generated in Indonesia, this year celebrations have been planned on an even larger scale. You are cordially invited to join us in the celebration of the 4<sup>th</sup> IDY.

CELEBRATION OF THE 4TH  
INTERNATIONAL DAY OF YOGA  
(IDY) 2018 IN INDONESIA  
For more details, schedule of the 4th  
IDY Celebration available at:  
indianembassyjakarta.com and



<https://www.facebook.com/IndiaInIndonesia/>





## FLAVOR'S OF INDIA

### RAJASTHANI GATTA CURRY RECIPE

Serves : 4-5 persons  
 Prep Time: 15 minutes  
 Cook Time: 35 minutes

#### INGREDIENTS

##### For Besan Gatta:

- Gram Flour (Besan) – 1½ Cup
- Pinch Of Asafetida
- Turmeric Powder –¼ Tsp
- Red Chili Powder – 1 Tsp
- Salt To Taste
- Cumin Seeds – 1 Tsp
- Ginger-Garlic Paste – 2 Tsp
- Yogurt – 1/4 Cup
- Oil – 5 Tbsp
- Baking Soda – 1 Tsp (Optional, I Did Not Add Any In This Recipe)
- Kasuri Methi (Dried Fenugreek Leaves) – 1 Tbsp
- Water, If Needed

##### For Sauce:

- Oil – 3 Tbsp
- Cumin Seeds – 2 Tsp
- Onion, Ginger, Garlic Paste – – ¾ Cup (2 Onions, 1-inch ginger, 4 Garlic Cloves)
- Green Chilies Chopped – 1
- Turmeric Powder – 1/2 Tsp
- Red Chili Powder – 1 Tsp Or To Taste
- Coriander Powder – 1/2 Tsp
- Pinch Of Asafetida
- Garam Masala Powder – ¼ Tsp
- Kasuri Methi / Dried Fenugreek Leaves – 2 Tbsp
- Salt As Per Taste
- Yogurt Whisked – 1 ½ Cup

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

##### For Making Gatta:

1. Take a large mixing bowl.
2. Add besan, asafetida, turmeric powder, red chili powder, salt, cumin seeds, ginger-garlic paste, yogurt, oil, Kasuri methi and knead into a stiff dough. Also add baking soda, if using.
3. Use 2 tbsp of water if needed.
4. Divide the dough into 4-6 equal portions and shape each portion into 10 inches long thin cylindrical roll.
5. Boil enough water in a pan. Add rolls to the boiling water and boil for 10 to 15 minutes.
6. Remove from heat.
7. Take out the rolls from the water and keep the water aside for the curry base.
8. Cut each cylinder into 10-12 pieces, and keep aside.
9. Gattas are ready.

##### For Making Sauce:

1. Heat 3 tbsp oil in a pan.
2. Add asafetida and cumin seeds to it.
3. When it begins to crackle add the onion, ginger garlic paste.
4. Saute the onion paste till light brown in color.
5. Add chili powder, turmeric powder, coriander powder, and garam masala along with the boiled water we kept aside earlier.
6. Cook for another 3-4 minutes.
7. Now lower the heat and slowly add the whisked curd.
8. Stir well and stir continuously till it comes to a boil.
9. Once you see the oil coming up to the surface add the cut gatta pieces, salt, green chili and fenugreek leaves.
10. Now Let the curry cook on medium low heat for 10-12 minutes for the flavors to concentrate.
11. Stir occasionally.
12. Transfer the curry to a serving dish and garnish with chopped green chilies
13. Serve hot with rice or flatbread as you prefer.

##### NOTES:

1. Knead the dough with light hands.
2. Make sure to boil them till they float on the surface. Proper boiling is the key here.
3. After boiling you should put them in gravy instantly.
4. If you want to make gattas ahead of time then give them boil again before adding to the gravy.
5. If your gattas come out hard, then you can also try adding little more oil and little bit more yogurt. This way they should come out soft.
6. And also it is important to cook them in the sauce for a long time.
7. I don't add baking soda but if you wish you can add 1/4 tsp baking soda.

Source: MyGingerGarlicKitchen

# ISLAMIC ARCHITECTURE IN INDIA – RAMADHAN SPECIAL



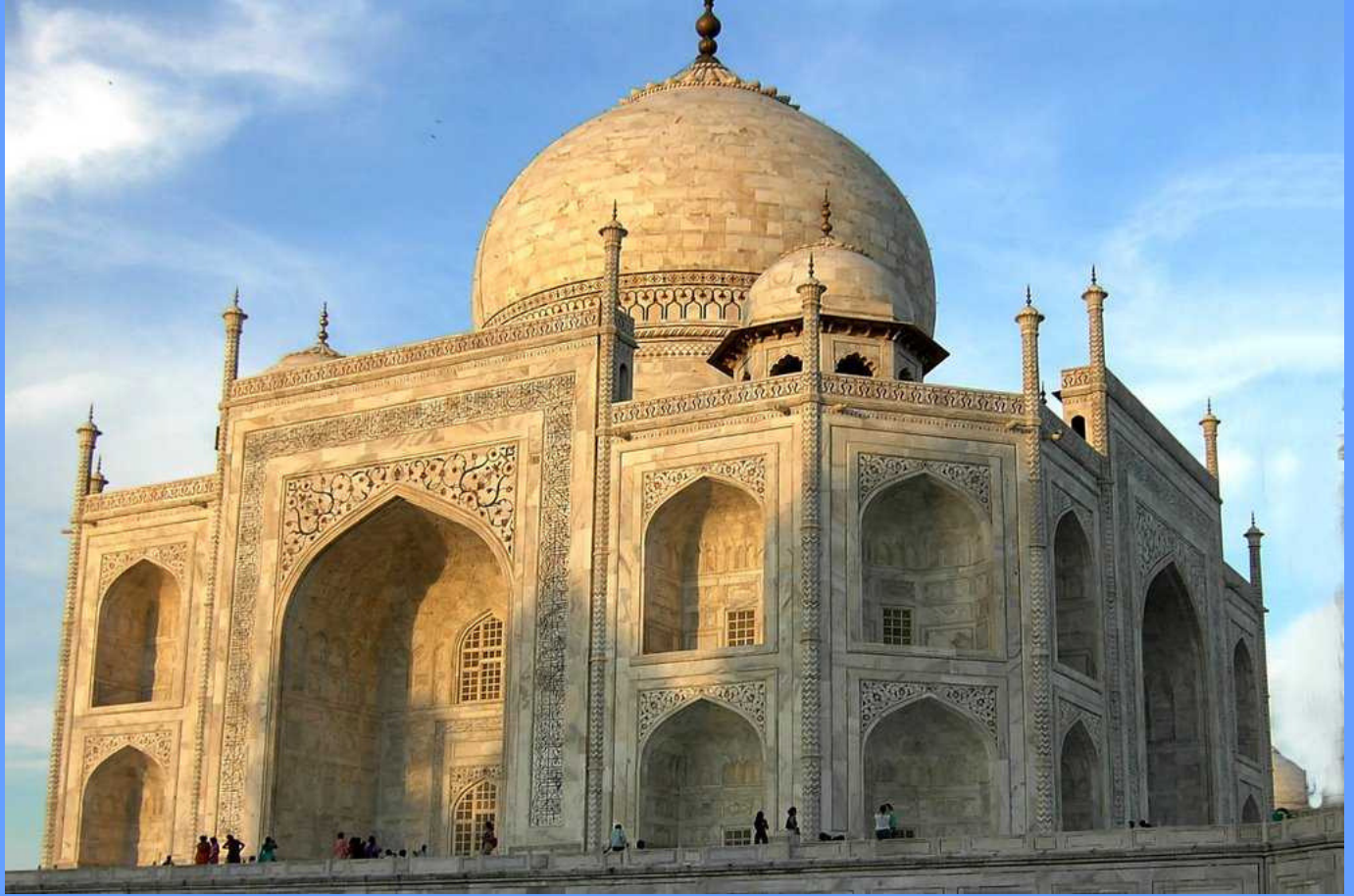
## Bara Imambara, Lucknow

Also known as **Asfi Imambara** named after the **Nawab of Lucknow** who commissioned the structure. Bara means big and Imambara meaning shrine, it is one of the largest Islamic Architecture in India and an important place of worship for which people gather here on every religious festival. Ramdan being the most celebrated festival witnesses a crowd of large numbers accumulating the courtyard to offer prayers and celebrate **'iftar'** with loved ones. The last day of Ramdan and the day of Eid are the busiest day here with people bustling about wishing each other while the make shift shops put up an exhibition of food and crafts for sale.

The architecture of **Bara Imambara**Source: <https://www.holidify.com/blog/ramdan-places-to-visit/> , though on the lines of Indo-Islamic architecture is actually quite unique. The central hall of Bara Imambara is said to be the largest arched hall in the world. But what makes it unique is that the blocks used to construct are of the interlocking system with absolutely no use of girders and beams. Till date the roof stands strong without any pillars to support it. Apart from this, Bara Imambara is known for its **Bhulbhulaiya** – an incredible maze, located at the upper floor and the only way to find your way out is with a guide. It leads to top of the monument from where you can see a panoramic view of the city of **Lucknow**.

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## Taj Mahal, Agra

It is impossible to talk about Islamic Architecture in India and not mention **Taj Mahal** – an ode to art as much as it is to love. The white marble dome of the Mausoleum is one of the most recognized structures in the world. However, little is known of the minarets that stand beside it. Minarets weren't a common feature of Islamic architecture until the 17th century and **Emperor Shah Jahan** had a big contribution towards it. Shah Jahan's idea behind the structure was to create a replica of the house of the departed in paradise on earth. The constant changing color of the structure because of the light that falls on the marble isn't a lucky coincidence but was a deliberate attempt to feature the light of god for light is a Moghul metaphor for God. Another feature that stands out in the structure is the calligraphic use of passages from the Holy Book of **Quran** that is used as decorative elements on the structure.

Tourists flock the place all throughout the year, most visit especially during Ramadan for the promise of scrumptious food that is prepared by small stalls and huge restaurants all offering their very best. Apart from this, the Taj Mahal takes on a different hue during this month with the hustle and bustle of the festivities. If the sight of the Taj Mahal itself wasn't enough, then the thousands of people gathered together, bowing their heads down in gratitude only reaffirms the power of faith among people.

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