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Report

Info letter on “Uttarakhand and its tourist destinations”

Name of the Activity – Info Letter on “Uttarakhand and its tourist destinations”

Activity Date - 26th June 2021

Venue: Online mode

Report Description:

The EBSB club of TAPMI started a series of monthly info letter which will cover up more insights into the state of Uttarakhand. The info letter was shared with 555 students from TAPMI. Mr. Mrugendra Jagdale and Mr. Ashwin M; EBSB member from TAPMI published the info letter in online mode.

With this, the Club aims to showcase different aspects of the state which include culture, festivals, cuisines, places to visit, weather conditions, how to reach, and local artisans. This will help the students to learn more about the state and its rich culture in an easy way of accessing.

This is the first issue of the newsletter which covers the facts of Uttarakhand, latest news related to tourism, and a tourist destination in focus. In the facts, information such as introduction to the state, its capital, neighbours, and regions is provided. Two latest news articles highlighting the tourism theme are included. Dehradun is the tourist destination in focus. Information includes tourist attractions, must-try cuisines, shopping places, unique facts, weather, and the best time to visit.

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Pictures of the Info letter –

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UTTARAKHAND FACTS

Uttarakhand was formed after being **separated from Uttar Pradesh** in the year 2000. It is the 27th state of the Republic of India, which was **formerly known as Uttaranchal**. The State is a unique combination of scenic nature, divine pilgrimage, wild forests, thrilling adventure, interesting history, diverse culture, delicious dishes, and also a center of spiritual wellness.

Capital of Uttarakhand

It's interesting to know that Uttarakhand has two capitals. Gairsain was declared the second capital of the state in June 2020.

1. Winter Capital – Dehradun, which is the largest city in the state.
2. Summer Capital – Gairsain, a town in Chamoli district.



Neighbors of Uttarakhand

North: China; East: Nepal; South: Uttar Pradesh;
West and North-West: Himachal Pradesh

Districts in Uttarakhand

Uttarakhand is divided into two regions, namely Garhwal and Kumaon. It is further divided into 13 districts.



UTTARAKHAND LATEST UPDATES

Char Dham Yatra to resume from 1st July!

Considering the Covid situation and the safety of pilgrims, Char Dham Yatra is to be held in a phased manner. In the first phase which would be from July 1, the yatra will resume for residents from the districts Rudrapur, Chamoli, and Uttarkashi. The residents of the districts Rudrapur, Chamoli, and Uttarkashi would be allowed to go to Kedarnath, Badrinath, and Gangotri respectively. In the second phase, the yatra will be opened to all the states. Negative RT-PCR is mandatory in both phases for everyone.



**Jim Corbett, Rajaji Tiger Reserve to be open all around the year:
Uttarakhand Government**

Good news for tourists comes as the Uttarakhand government decides to keep open Jim Corbett, Rajaji Tiger Reserve for 12 months a year. Earlier, both the parks were closed from June 15 to November 15. The decision was taken in order to boost the tourism sector in the state. On one hand, the decision is welcomed by tourists and locals dependent on the tourism of these parks. On the other hand, experts say that the monsoon season is the breeding season for many animals and the disturbance may lead to wildlife-human conflict.

**TOURIST DESTINATION IN FOCUS
DEHRADUN – ABODE OF DRONA**

Dehradun is one of the oldest cities of India and it is the winter capital of the state Uttarakhand. Dehradun city has the ancient history dated back to “Mahabharata” period. As it believed as home to Guru Drona, hence known as ‘Abode of Drona’. The city province is ruled by Garhwal community for a long time.

Tourist attractions:

1. Mussoorie



Mussoorie is also popularly known as the ‘Queen of Hills’. The city is surrounded with mountains and green forests and the mountains with snowcapped.



2. Tapkeshwar Temple

The temple is dedicated to the Lord Shiva and holds a lot of importance among his devotees. It is located on the banks of Garhi Cant, located 8 km from Dehradun.



3. Sahastradhara

Sahastradhara is situated 15 km to the east of the Dehradun and is special for its cold sulfur water spring. One will get to see the Baldi River and the caves which have thousands of limestone stalactite.

4. Robber's Cave Guchu Pani

Robber's Cave Guchu Pani is a natural cave formation where rivers flow inside the cave. Also, the cave is about 600 metres long, and has the highest fall of about 10 metres. The cave consists of an extremely narrow gorge formed in a conglomerate limestone area on the Doon Valley's Dehra plateau.



Unique Facts:

Indian Military Academy, the Wildlife Institute of India, Survey of India are situated in Dehradun.



Must try Cuisines:



1. Kafuli

It is a traditional gravy prepared from Spinach and fenugreek. In some places it is also known as Kafali or Kafli.



2. Chainsoo

It is an old dish in Garhwal Tribe, which is prepared using black urad dal. It is best served with the rice.



3. Dubuk

It is a lentils prepared using local spices and a unique local cooking method. It is preferred by the locals mostly in the winter season.



4. Faluda Kulfi



5. Butter Toffees



Best places for Shopping:



1. The Tibetan Market

Without visiting this market your journey to Dehradun will be incomplete. You can find Tibetan artefacts, Garhwali jewellery, and prayer flags.



2. Paltan Bazaar

One can find antiques, clothes, Pahari handicrafts and many more. It is also famous for Basmati rice.



3. Arhat Bazaar

One can find a lot of local spices here. It is generally crowded and gives a taste of local life.



4. Astley Hall

It is one of the best places to buy Souvenirs an Shawls. Others items include wooden artifacts, woolen clothes and locals

Weather conditions & Best time to visit:

Dehradun follows a typical Indian calendar. Monsoons fall from July to September, during this most of the adventure spots are closed. In winter which stretches from October to February, temperature drops as low as 3 degree Celsius. To visit Dehradun in winters is a totally different experience, is considered ideal for exploring by many tourists. The best time to visit Dehradun is in summers, between March to June. During summers one can enjoy extremely pleasant weather, beautiful views, green forests, and glittering waterfalls. It is must to visit Nag Tibba (highest peak in Uttarakhand) in this season.

