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Varanasi in winters: 5 top things to do

Have you been to Varanasi yet? The season is just right to plan one, and get the essence of this place, with not so much crowd to bother you. It's one of the oldest living cities in the world, and is definitely one of the most captivating destinations that needs to be experienced once in your lifetime. A place that is best for those seeking spirituality, culture, and history. If you are convinced to plan a trip soon, here are five top things to do when you are in Varanasi during the winter months: Witness the Ganga Aarti at Dashashwamedh Ghat One of Varanasi's most famous customs, in which you can be a part of, is the Ganga Aarti at Dashashwamedh Ghat. Every evening, as part of a regular practice, people gather to be a part of the aarti, and when bells ring and chantings are performed, along with flames lighting up the night sky, the sight is just breathtakingly beautiful. The crisp winter air further makes the entire experience even better. A boat ride on the Ganges is a must-do in Varanasi, especially during the early hours of winter. The mist over the river and the soft golden glow of the rising sun create a mystical atmosphere.

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Vande Bharat trains will run on Mumbai-Ahmedabad bullet train corridor until Shinkansen trains

New Delhi: After facing uncertainty and delay over the procurement of high-speed trains from Japan, the Indian Railways announced that Vande Bharat trains will run on the Mumbai-Ahmedabad high-speed corridor until the arrival of the Japanese Shinkansen trains. At a time the tender for procuring trains with Shinkansen technology from Japan for running at a maximum speed of 320 kmph is yet to be firmed up, Indian Railways said it is actively considering running an Indian Bullet train with a maximum speed of 280 kmph on the 508 km long Mumbai-Ahmedabad high-speed rail corridor. The Indian Railways said the decision comes amid delays in finalising the deal for procuring the Shinkansen trains, which are now expected to be operational in stages by 2030 and fully by 2033. In the meantime, the National High-Speed Rail Corporation (NHSRCL) has invited tender for a signalling system that will enable Vande Bharat trains, with a maximum design speed of 280 km/h, to operate on this section. The European Train Control System (ETCS) Level-2 will be implemented for the Vande Bharat trains, while the Japanese DS-ATC signalling system will be installed for the Shinkansen trains once they arrive. The Railways said that the plan is to start fully-functional operations of Vande Bharat trains on this track by 2027.



Best budget-friendly destinations for your upcoming holiday in India and abroad: Where to travel next?

Are you drawn to serene beaches or enchanted by snow-capped hills? Here are our best budget-friendly destinations in India and abroad for couples and families. But we know where you are stuck. You are still unsure about the destination that fits your budget, right? Fret not! Whether it's snowy mountains, sunny beaches, or exploring vibrant cultural treasures, we've rounded up the best budget travel destinations you can visit from January to March, both in India and abroad. So, are you ready to make your next holiday unforgettable? Discover breathtaking views, unique experiences, and warm hospitality without burning a hole in your wallet. Check out these budget-friendly destinations and plan your holiday with the best flights and hotel deals through Skyscanner! Best international holiday destinations for a budget trip Malaysia Malaysia is a dream destination to visit from January to March, offering the perfect mix of pleasant weather, exciting cultural celebrations, and fewer tourists.



US plans to remove H-1B visa country cap: Will this benefit Indian professionals?

President-elect Donald Trump has named well-known Indian-American venture capitalist Sriram Krishnan as Senior Policy Advisor for Artificial Intelligence at the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, a historic appointment that indicates growing influence of Indian-Americans in US politics. It's now anticipated that he will have a major role to play on US immigration reform. This appointment coincides with a proposal currently being considered by the US government to remove the national cap on H-1B visas. It is expected that this change will increase opportunities for skilled Indian workers, especially in engineering and technology sectors. H-1B Visa Employing foreign workers in specialised occupations that call for particular training and education is made possible by the H-1B visa. The number of visas that can be granted to applicants from a single nation is currently limited, which has caused a backlog for Indian professionals looking to work in the United States.



Paris to Milan in just 6 hours: High-speed train service resumes for tourists after 19-month closure due to landslide

The train line connecting Paris with Turin and Milan will reopen in late March and early April after a landslide caused a 19-month closure. The hugely popular train line linking Paris with the Italian cities of Turin and Milan is to reopen in March and April after a 19-month closure forced when a landslide damaged a tunnel, French railway operator SNCF and Italian counterpart Trenitalia announced Tuesday. SNCF said connections between Paris and Turin and Milan, which has whisked passengers from a breakfast of croissants in the French capital to a hearty pasta for lunch in Italy in six or seven hours, would resume on March 31. Trenitalia, which is competing with SNCF on the line, said its connections would resume on April 1. France-Italy train services resumes The Italian company plans two round trips per day aboard its high-speed Frecciarossa train. SNCF will offer three round trips per day on the French TGV. The French company set up a replacement service between Paris and Milan last January in order to keep one round trip per day.

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