

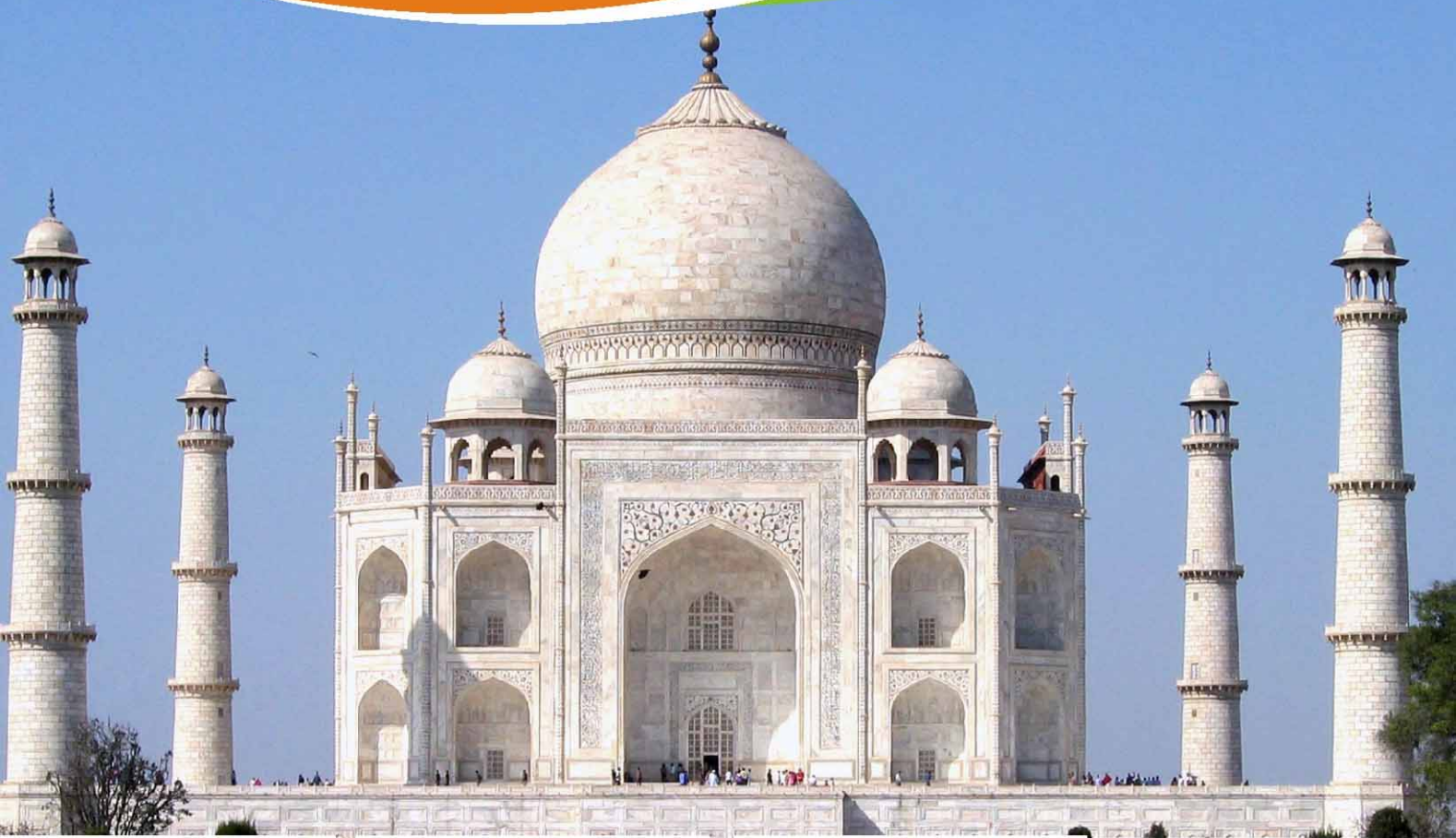
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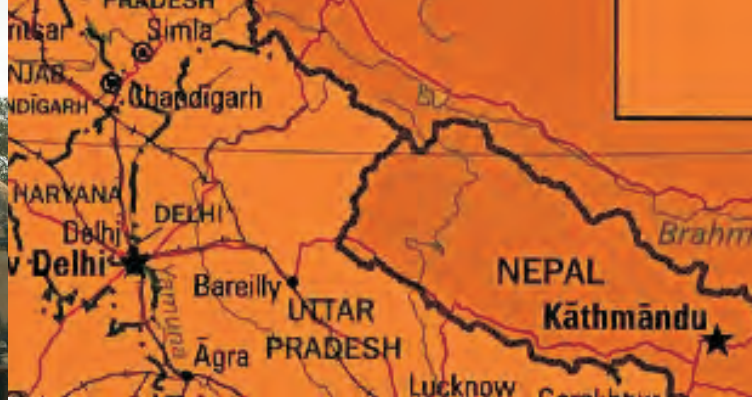
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India

India has emerged as an important country in the world of IP. With leading pharmaceutical companies, a vibrant high-tech sector and a rapidly expanding IP profession, no practitioner can afford to ignore the opportunities that India now affords. The **FICPI INDIA SYMPOSIUM 2009** gives you the perfect chance to explore these opportunities while enjoying presentations of the usual high FICPI standard on recent international developments in the field of IP. An excellent social programme has also been arranged to give you a taste of India while networking with leading IP practitioners from India, Asia and all over the world.

Programme Highlights

- Live panel discussion with CEOs from Indian industry and members of FICPI and CII
- Pros and cons of outsourcing IP services offshore. How can it help your practice?
- Assessment of patentability in India, the US, Japan and Europe
- Generic v. Branded Pharma
- Update on traditional knowledge
- Comparison of patent examination & opposition practice in Europe, India & elsewhere
- IP protection for IT & software
- Trademark protection for shapes and colours

Leading Speakers including **Judge Fysh** (UK) and officials from **WIPO**, the **European Patent Office** & **IP India**.

A full social programme for delegates & accompanying persons is included; pre- and post-conference tours to popular Indian destinations are planned, including the famed Taj Mahal in Agra.

The FICPI India Symposium 2009 will be held at The Taj Palace Hotel, New Delhi

Open to all...

FICPI member, non-members, intellectual property practitioners, colleagues from industry, corporate IP managers.

It is your opportunity...

To listen and debate with experts on recent international developments in intellectual property protection and their impact on day-to-day practice.

Partner in India - CII

FICPI gratefully acknowledges the kind assistance and support received from the **CII** for the **FICPI India Symposium 2009**, especially in relation to the organisation of the CEO Panel Discussion and the Student Session at IIT, New Delhi.

The **Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)** works to create and sustain an environment conducive to the growth of industry in India, partnering industry and government alike through the advisory and consultative processes. CII is a non-government, not-for-profit organisation which is led and managed by industry. Founded over 114 years ago, CII is playing a proactive role in India's development process. With 64 offices in India, 9 overseas in Australia, Austria, China, France, Germany, Japan, Singapore, UK, USA and institutional partnerships with 211 counterpart organisations in 87 countries, CII serves as a reference point for Indian industry and the international business community.

The Programme in Detail

Wednesday, 9th December 2009

Morning

Visit to IP India (by invitation only)

A delegation of leading members of FICPI in India and internationally will visit IP India to discuss matters of mutual interest to the offices and IP practitioners in India and abroad, and to promote good relations with the office.

Afternoon

Student session at IIT Delhi

FICPI members from India and abroad will visit the renowned Indian Institute of Technology in Delhi. They will deliver a series of presentations and speak with the students about the advantages of choosing the patent attorney profession as a career. The CII has indicated a need for more science and technology graduates to enter the patent profession in India, and it is hoped that FICPI members from different countries where the profession is vibrant will stimulate interest in it amongst the students at the IIT.

17:00 - 18:00

Planning meetings for organisers, moderators and speakers, Taj Mahal Hotel.

18:00 - 20:30

Welcome Reception, Taj Palace Hotel

Thursday, 10th December, 2009

9.00 - 9.15

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Peter Huntsman, *President, FICPI*

High-ranking official from IP-India

Francis Groser, *President, FICPI-India*

9.15 - 10.30

PANEL DISCUSSION

CEOs from different branches of Indian industry will discuss the challenges that they face and the opportunities afforded by intellectual property rights. Representatives of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) will take part in the discussion.

Moderator: **Peter Huntsman**

Speakers: **Hari Bhartia**, Vice President, CII; Co-Chairman and Managing Director, *Jubilant Organosys Ltd*

Adi Godrej, Chairman, *The Godrej Group*

Kiran Mazumdar Shaw, Chairman & Managing Director Founder, *Biocon India*

Sunil Bharti Mittal, Past President, CII; Founder Chairman & Group CEO, *Bharti Enterprises*

Shanker Annaswamy, Chairman, CII National Committee of IP Owners; Managing Director, *IBM India Private Limited*

Anjan Das, Senior Director & Head, Technology, Innovation, *IPR & Life Sciences, CII*

10.30 - 11.00

Coffee Break

11.00 - 12.15

SESSION I: Historical Background and TK Issues

It has long been known that pain and inflammation can be reduced by chewing certain plant materials such as willow bark. It was eventually discovered that the active ingredient was salicin (a derivative of salicylic acid) and salicylic acid became available as an analgesic late in the 19th century, despite its serious irritant effect on the stomach. Research by Felix Hoffman resulted in the acetyl derivative which turned out to be much less irritating and which was marketed as ASPIRIN from 1899. The panel will discuss how the traditional use of willow bark would be seen today and how, if at all, this "traditional knowledge" could be protected. The recent work of the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Traditional Knowledge and Genetic Resources and Folklore will be reviewed.

Moderator: **Daniel Alge (AT)**

Speakers: **Bastiaan Koster (ZA)**

Shamnad Basheer (IN)

Begona Venero Aguirre (WIPO)

12.15 - 13.30 **Lunch**

13.30 - 15.00 **SESSION 2: Patentability Issues**

The panel will discuss the patentability of salicylic acid derivatives (including aspirin) on the basis that salicylic acid and its clinical properties were already known. The patentability of a notional further derivative to which we have given the name FICPIRIN will be reviewed. The original US Patent for aspirin was very narrow in scope. Could it have been claimed more broadly based on modern patent laws? If so, would FICPIRIN infringe?

Moderator: **David Bannerman (GB)**

Speakers: **Len Svensson (US)**
Francis Ahner (FR)
Hiroko Ejiri (JP)
V. Lakshmikumaran (IN)

15.00 - 16.30 **SESSION 3:**

Patentability of Further Medical Indications

The patentability of further medical uses of aspirin will be discussed, on the assumption that only its anti-inflammatory and analgesic properties are already known. The panel will consider what, if any, protection could be obtained for further medical indications in the major patent jurisdictions, in particular, the USPTO, the EPO, the JPO and IP-India.

Moderator: **Shozo Uemura (JP)**

Speakers: **Nicholas Jones (GB)**
Hari Subramaniam (IN)
Mark Wilson (US)
David Cheng (CN)

16.30 - 16.45 **Coffee Break**

16.45 - 18.15 **SESSION 4:**

Generic Pharma v. Research-Based Pharma

India is well-known for its generic pharma industry. The panel will review the legal issues facing a generics company in different jurisdictions when considering commercialising a drug. How can a research-based pharma company preserve a measure of exclusivity, for example by "evergreening"? The Indian pharma industry is now developing its own drugs and this will be discussed.

Moderator: **Pravin Anand (IN)**

Speakers: **Danny Huntington (US)**
HH Judge Michael Fysh (GB)
Larry Welch (US)
Speaker - Indian Pharma Industry (tba)

18.15 - 18.20 **Closing of Day I Programme**

19:30 - 23:00 **Dinner at Sanskriti Anandgram**

Friday, 11th December 2009

9.00 - 10.30

SESSION 5:

Trademark Protection of Shapes and Colour

The makers of FICPIRIN have developed a novel and distinctive shape and colour for their newest pharmaceutical tablet. In this session speakers will consider the issues surrounding the trademark protection of particular colours and shapes. North American, Asian and European experts will discuss the potential for colour and shape trademark protection in various jurisdictions as well as some of the anticipated problems. Also discussed will be the factors at play when prosecuting an application, including issues surrounding formalities. Anticipated enforcement difficulties will also be considered. Finally, speakers will explain the prospects for using trademark protection to achieve exclusivity during and after the life of the associated patent.

Speakers: **Coleen Morrison (CA)**
Ho-Hyun Nahm (KR)
Elia Sugranes (ES)

10.30 - 10.45 **Coffee Break**

10.45 - 12.15

SESSION 6:

Protection of IT and Software

Software development in India today has worldwide importance. There is hardly any global IT company without development facilities in this country. By way of a practical example the panelists will compare the possibilities of patent protection for software inventions in different countries with a focus on India.

Moderator: **Alexander Esslinger (DE)**

Speakers: **Yoshikazu Tani (JP)**
Brett Slaney (CA)
Essenese Obhan (IN)

12.15 - 13.30 **Lunch**

13.30 – 15.00 **SESSION 7:**

Patent Examination Practice, including Opposition

India has always been a patent-importing country. Recent industrial and technological developments have made India one of the most promising markets for European and American industry, so that there is an ever-increasing interest in filing Indian patent applications. Also, development of technology within India is leading to an increase in patent filings by Indian companies: many of them have begun to file applications in China, Japan, USA and Europe. Although the modern Indian patent system is based to a large extent on the EPC, there are some significant differences between the two systems.

This session aims to guide Indians who wish to patent in Europe, and Europeans who wish to patent in India, so that they can avoid potential pitfalls. The comparison will take account of legal requirements, prosecution and opposition practice, also with a survey of important case law.

Moderator: Francesco Paolo Vatti (IT)

**Speakers: Officials from EPO and IP India (tba)
SharadVadehra (IN)**

15.00 – 15.30 **Coffee Break**

15.30 – 17.00 **SESSION 8:**

IP Off-shore Outsourcing

IP off-shore outsourcing is about companies sourcing in IP services from vendors or their own captive centres located in countries like India, where the revenues have been estimated at \$46 M for the calendar year 2007. Examples of services are proofreading of issued US patents, remote updating of electronic dockets, paralegal and administrative assistance (for preparing forms and applications), novelty searches, validity studies, freedom to operate search and analysis, patent analytics (patent mapping & landscaping) and patent drawing preparation. The business is driven by scalable and low skill intensive functions such as paralegal and administrative support. Search and analysis, though high on the skill scale, form a large

chunk of the business. This session has a panel of speakers who have practical experience in building and validating IP outsourcing.

Moderator: Jan Modin (SE)

**Speakers: Manoj Pillai (IN)
Dan Collopy (US)
Martin Shively (US/IN)**

17.00 – 18.00 **SESSION 9:**

Presentation of FICPI and FICPI India

What is FICPI and the Indian Section of FICPI? Senior officials from both organisations will explain what they are and what they do. FICPI is the only worldwide professional association exclusively for high-quality patent attorneys in private practice. How does it benefit its members? How does it develop positions in IP legislation, both current and proposed, and thus seek to influence the relevant legislative bodies with the aim of improving IP laws and procedures to the benefit of both active and passive users of the IP systems?

Moderator: Danny Huntington (US)

**Speakers: Peter Huntsman (AU)
Julian Crump (GB)
Eric Le Forestier (FR)
FICPI IN officers (IN) (tba)**

18.00 – 18.15 **Closing of the Symposium**

Dinner at Sanskriti Anandgram

Sanskriti Anandgram is a cultural centre with a difference - a place where artists and sculptors, writers and musicians, and village craftsmen can practise their arts in congenial and tranquil surroundings that induce creativity. The landscaped grounds, filled with a profusion of trees, present a picture of seemingly organic growth. Hopefully, Anandgram, as the complex is called, will in the years to come, remain just that - a Happy Village.

This seven acre complex, redolent with plants, has been chosen as the venue for the offsite dinner on Thursday, 10th December. Symposium participants can relax in these sylvan surroundings and visit Sanskriti Anandgram's three unique museums of everyday art, Indian terracotta, and Indian textiles while sipping their drinks, before proceeding to enjoy a cultural performance and dinner.

Buses will leave from the Taj Palace Hotel at 18:30 hrs and bring participants back at the end of the evening.



Accompanying Persons' Programme

AP-1: Tour of Old Delhi

Date: Thursday, 10th December
0930 – 1630 hrs (lunch included)

Tour Highlights:

Red Fort: Constructed by the Emperor Shah Jahan in 1638 - 1648 AD, the original fort has had several sections added to it subsequently. The significant phases of development were under Aurangzeb and later Mughal rulers. During the British period the fort was mainly used as a cantonment and even after independence, a significant part of the fort remained under the control of the army until the year 2003.

Chandni Chowk (Moonlit Square) is located opposite the Red Fort. Enjoy a cycle-rickshaw ride through the narrow lanes of this typical Indian bazaar.

Jama Masjid is the principal mosque of Old Delhi. Commissioned by the Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan, builder of the Taj Mahal, and completed in the year 1656 AD, it is one of the largest and best-known mosques in India. The courtyard of the mosque can hold up to twenty-five thousand worshipers and houses several relics.

Other sights en route include India Gate and Rashtrapati Bhavan, the official residence of the President of India. India Gate is a memorial to the 90,000 soldiers who laid down their lives during World War I.

AP-2: Humayun's Tomb & Qutab Minar

Date: Friday, 11th December
0930 – 1630 hrs (lunch included)

Tour Highlights:

Humayun's Tomb, a magnificent tomb in red sandstone, crowned by a glorious double-dome in marble, is considered to be the fore-runner to the famed Taj Mahal in Agra. Char Bagh - the authentic Islamic layout for a paradise on earth, consists of four canals dividing the garden into four sections. In the central domed chamber is Emperor Humayun's grave.

The Qutab Minar, a five story victory tower, was begun in 1193 AD by Qutb-ud-Din-Aibak, the first Muslim Sultan of Delhi. Constructed of red sandstone, the five story 238-foot high tower served as a minaret to call the faithful to prayer. An iron pillar stands in the courtyard in front of the mosque. The pillar is made of such pure iron that it has never rusted. According to legend, anyone who can encircle the pillar by standing with their back to it and clasping their hands from behind will have his or her wish granted. Unfortunately, the pillar is now surrounded by a fence and not accessible to visitors.

Post-lunch, explore Santhushti Shopping Complex, a cluster of upscale boutiques gathered around a carefully-tended garden courtyard. Shops range from fashion to jewellery to art, a perfect place to stroll and look at high fashion Indian clothing, cosmetics, jewellery, leather accessories and decorative home items.

Please contact the official Destination Management Company for any information regarding the Accompanying Persons' Programmes. Details are on page 12.

Programme at a Glance

	Morning	Noon	Afternoon	Evening
Wednesday December 9	Visit to IP India*		Registration	Welcome Reception at Taj Palace Hotel
			Student Session at IIT, Delhi	
Thursday December 10	Symposium Working Sessions	Lunch	Symposium Working Sessions	Networking Dinner at Sanskriti Anandgram
	Accompanying Persons' Programme – Old Delhi Tour			
Friday December 11	Symposium Working Sessions	Lunch	Symposium Working Sessions	Gala Dinner at ITC Maurya Hotel & Towers
	Accompanying Persons' Programme – Humayun's Tomb & Qutab Minar			
Saturday December 12	Post Conference Tours Commence			

* by invitation only

Conference Venue

Located in the Diplomatic Area, and categorised as a 5* Deluxe Luxury hotel, the Taj Palace Hotel is part of the Taj Group of Hotels – one of the finest hotel chains in South Asia. A large number of Delhi's international conferences are hosted at the Taj Palace Convention Centre. The Taj Palace Hotel is 20 minutes from the international airport and a 15 minute drive to the city centre.



Taj Palace Hotel

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Website: www.tajhotels.com

Transportation from Airport

The Taj Palace Hotel provides complimentary arrival transfers for guests staying in Taj Club Rooms. Other guests wishing to book arrival/departure transfers may indicate this on the registration form.

Alternatively, pre-paid taxi services are available at the airport. It is recommended that these be booked at the counters manned by the Delhi Traffic Police.



Registration for the Symposium

Registration for the symposium should be made separately from the hotel reservation. Registrants are urged to register before **September 30, 2009** to obtain the early bird registration fee. If possible, please register online via: <http://www.ficpi.org>

Alternatively, you can download a registration form from the FICPI website at <http://www.ficpi.org> and

send in your registration by fax to the FICPI Symposium Secretariat (details on Page 13)

Please note there are separate forms for the symposium and for hotel reservation

Category	Early Bird Registration Fee Until September 30, 2009	Late & On-site Registration Fee From October 1, 2009
Participant (full fee)	INR 74,460/-	INR 89,350/-
Participant (one-day fee)*	INR 44,120/-	INR 52,950/-
Accompanying Person (incl. 2 sightseeing programmes)	INR 37,230/-	INR 44,680/-
Accompanying Person (with 1 sightseeing programme)	INR 33,230/-	INR 40,680/-

Important: Payment via credit card will attract additional bank charges.

At the time of printing, 1 USD is approx INR 47

Registration Fee for Participants includes:

All sessions, reception, informal and gala dinners, lunch and coffee breaks.

*The one-day fee includes the sessions, lunch, coffee breaks and the evening function only for the day on which the participant is registered.

Registration Fee for Accompanying Persons includes:

Accompanying persons' programmes, reception, informal and gala dinners. Please note that accompanying persons are not entitled to attend the symposium sessions.

Payment

Payment must be made in Indian Rupees (INR)

and can be made by any of the following methods:

- Credit Card – VISA or MasterCard
- Bank Draft favouring “KW Conferences Pvt. Ltd. – FICPI Symposium”, Please instruct the issuing bank to make the draft payable at Delhi. It should then be mailed to the symposium secretariat (details on Page 13)
- Bank Transfer**:

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Confirmation

On receipt of the registration fee, the FICPI Symposium Secretariat will send you a confirmatory email bearing your registration ID number. You will need to bring this number with you to the registration desk at the symposium site. In case you need an invoice for the payment, please contact the secretariat.

Cancellation of Symposium Registration

If you cancel your participation in the symposium, please notify the FICPI Symposium Secretariat by email or fax immediately. The following cancellation fee will apply based on the date when the cancellation is received. All refunds will be made after the close of the symposium. Please note that bank charges will be deducted from all refundable amounts.

Cancellations will be charged as follows:

- Until October 31, 2009: 20% of the amount paid, plus bank charges
- From November 1, 2009: 100% of the amount paid (no refund)

FICPI Symposium Secretariat

For any enquiries regarding registration, please contact:

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Hotel Accommodation

Rooms have been reserved for symposium participants at discounted rates at the Taj Palace Hotel from December 9 – 12, 2009. These discounted rates are not guaranteed for arrivals/departures outside of the mentioned dates, as these will be subject to availability. All rooms are inclusive of buffet breakfast.

Room Category	Single Occupancy	DbI/Twin Occupancy
ROH*	INR 13,850	INR 17,350
Taj Club**	INR 15,350	INR 18,350

* Run-of-the-House (ROH) is a mix of Superior, Deluxe and Luxury categories, and will be assigned on first-come first-served basis depending on availability

** Club Rooms are inclusive of a one-way airport/hotel transfer

Handling charges are included in the tariffs.

Taxes will be additional.

Hotel Reservation and Payment

Please note that applications for hotel reservations and registration for the symposium are to be made separately. Your online hotel reservation may be made via <http://www.ficpi.org>

Alternatively, you can download the hotel reservation form from <http://www.ficpi.org> and fax it to:

The Reservations Department
Taj Palace Hotel
Fax: +91 11 2611 0808

A confirmation will be sent to participants directly by the Taj Palace Hotel

Cancellation of Hotel Reservation & Terms and Conditions

1. Participants are urged to book their hotel rooms as early as possible. Bookings received after November 15, 2009 will be confirmed subject to availability.
2. Bookings shall be confirmed along with valid credit card guarantees
3. For cancellations up to 45 days prior to check-in, no charges will apply
4. For cancellations from 45 to 30 days prior to check-in, one night's tariff inclusive of taxes will be charged
5. For cancellation from 30 days prior to check-in, until the date of check-in, or an eventual no-show, the entire length of stay, inclusive of taxes, will be charged



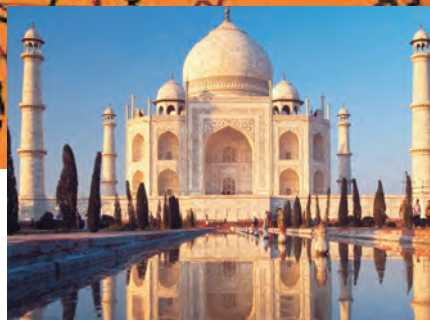


Map of Delhi



	<i>Distance</i>	<i>Driving Time</i>
◆ Taj Palace - I.G. International Airport	8 Kms	20 Minutes
◆ Taj Palace - I.G. National Airport	4 Kms	10 Minutes
◆ Taj Palace - Sanskriti Anandgram	20 Kms	40 Minutes
◆ Taj Palace - Connaught Place/Railway Station	16 Kms	30 Minutes

Map not to scale.



Post Symposium Tours

Tour 1 – Day Trip to Agra and the Taj Mahal

Date: December 12, 2009 (1 Day)

Price: INR 6,400 plus taxes.

Based on a minimum group size of 10 persons

Early morning transfer to New Delhi railway station to board the Shatabdi Express for Agra. Your first visit will be to Fatehpur Sikri, the Mughal Emperor Akbar's City of Victory, situated on a hill top almost 40 km from Agra. After lunch at a 5-star hotel in Agra, visit the majestic Agra Fort, built in the 10th century. Built principally as a military establishment by Akbar, the red sandstone Agra fort was partially converted into a palace during Emperor Shah Jahan's time.

Next visit the fabled Taj Mahal, built by the Mughal Emperor Shah Jahan in memory of his wife, Mumtaz Mahal. The Taj Mahal is synonymous with beauty, love and grandeur. Its millions of visitors marvel at the play of light on its marble dome which seems to turn from rose to pearl with the passage of the sun.

Tour 2 – Golden Triangle – Delhi-Agra-Jaipur-Delhi

Date: December 12 -15, 2009 (4 Days)

Price: INR 34,290 plus taxes, on twin-sharing basis. Single room supplement: INR 18,829

*Based on a minimum group size of 8 persons
Airfare Jaipur-Delhi will be additional*

Early morning transfer to New Delhi railway station to board the Shatabdi Express for Agra. Visit Agra Fort and the unforgettable Taj Mahal. Drive to Jaipur the next day, visiting Fatehpur Sikri enroute.

In Jaipur, visit Hawa Mahal - the Palace of Winds, perhaps Jaipur's signature monument, a five-storied, spectacular, pyramid-shaped façade. Continue to the famed Amber Fort (pronounced Aa-mer), the former capital of the Kachhwaha Rajputs before it shifted to Jaipur. The Amber Fort is a classic fusion of Mughal and Hindu architecture, built in red sandstone and white marble.

Visit the Maharaja Sawai Man Singh II Museum housed in the City Palace, part of which is still the home of the Jaipur royal family. Also, visit the awe-inspiring Jantar Mantar, an observatory built in the 18th century and containing giant masonry astronomical instruments that continue to provide accurate information even today.

Tour 3 – Backwaters of Kerala – Delhi-Kochi-Kumarakom-Kochi-Delhi

Date: December 12 -15, 2009 (4 Days)

Price: INR 40,574 plus taxes, on twin-sharing basis. Single room supplement: INR 34,549

*Based on a minimum group size of 8 persons
Airfare Delhi-Kochi-Delhi will be additional*

Morning transfer to the airport to board the flight to Kochi (previously known as Cochin). After check-in at the hotel, go on a sightseeing tour of Kochi. Visit St. Francis' Church, built in 1503 AD by Portuguese Franciscan friars, where Vasco da Gama was buried for 14 years before his remains were transferred to Lisbon. Nearby is the Mattancherry Palace or "Dutch Palace". The central hall on the 1st floor was the coronation hall of the rajahs of Kochi.

"Must-sees" are the Chinese fishing nets, introduced by traders from the courts of Kublai Khan. You will also see the Jewish Synagogue, constructed in 1568 AD, with hand-painted, willow-pattern floor tiles brought from Canton in the mid-18th century.

A boat trip to the village of Kumarakom will give you a great bird-watching opportunity in the sanctuary on Vembanad Lake - egrets, darters, herons, teal, waterfowl, cuckoo, wild duck and migratory birds like the Siberian stork.





Tour 4 – Goan Sojourn - Delhi - Goa - Delhi

Date: December 12 -15, 2009 (4 Days)
Price: INR 30,893 plus taxes, on twin-sharing basis. **Single room supplement: Rs. 22,079**
*Based on a minimum group size of 8 persons
Airfare Delhi-Goa-Delhi will be additional*

Morning transfer to the airport to board the flight to Goa. Goa is the ideal place for water sports and relaxing on the beach. There is lots to see as well - Old Goa and the Basilica of Bom Jesus wherein is enshrined the body of St. Francis Xavier in an ornate silver casket, and St. Catherine's cathedral. Also visit Ponda, the temple city and other famous churches in Old Goa, including the Se Cathedral.

Tour 5 – Wildlife Tour in Ranthambore National Park – Delhi - Jaipur - Ranthambore - Sawai Madhopur - Delhi

Date: December 12 -15, 2009 (4 Days)
Price: INR 23,403 plus taxes, on twin-sharing basis. **Single room supplement: INR 10,560**
*Based on a minimum group size of 8 persons
Airfare Delhi-Jaipur will be additional*

Morning transfer to the airport to board the flight to Jaipur, and drive to Ranthambore National Park, one of the most filmed wildlife reserves in the world, and one of the few places where you are likely to see the magnificent Bengal tiger.

Visitors, accompanied by a trained guide, are allowed into the park at fixed times during the morning and evening. The open grasslands, forested areas and ruins of monuments within Ranthambore National park provide many opportunities for wildlife viewing while on a jeep safari – tiger, leopard, striped hyena, several species of deer, sloth bear, wild boar, jungle cats, crocodiles – the list goes on.

Tour 6 – Royal Rajasthan - Delhi - Jodhpur - Udaipur - Delhi

Date: December 12 -15, 2009 (4 Days)
Price: INR 34,916 plus taxes, on twin-sharing basis. **Single room supplement: INR 15,570**
*Based on a minimum group size of 8 persons
Airfare Delhi-Jodhpur and Udaipur-Delhi will be additional*

Morning transfer to the airport to board the flight to Jodhpur. Jodhpur is at the edge of the Thar Desert and is the largest city in Rajasthan, after Jaipur. Visit the impressive 5 km long Mehrangarh Fort, situated on a hill. This is one of the most impressive and formidable structures in Rajasthan. Proceed to the Jaswant Thada, an imposing marble cenotaph built in 1899 AD in memory of Maharajah Jaswant Singh II.

Drive to Udaipur and visit enroute the Ranakpur Jain Temples built in the 15th century AD.

Udaipur lies amidst the Aravali hills of south Rajasthan. It is considered a romantic city - with its lakes, gardens, temples and palaces - an Oasis in the Thar desert. Visit the City Palace, an impressive complex of several palaces which is a blend of Rajput and Mughal influences. It houses a museum and a part of it is still retained by the royal family. In the late afternoon, enjoy a boat ride on Lake Pichola.

Tour 7 – In the Footsteps of the Buddha – Delhi - Patna - Bodhgaya - Varanasi - Delhi

Date: December 12 -16, 2009 (5 Days)
Price: INR 18,700 plus taxes, on twin-sharing basis. **Single room supplement: INR 8,935**
*Based on a minimum group size of 8 persons
Airfare Delhi-Patna and Varanasi-Delhi will be additional*

Morning transfer to the airport to board the flight to Patna. Visit Vaishali (50 Kms from Patna), the earliest democratic republic state, which had a secret ballot system even 300 years before the birth of Buddha in 563 BC. See Acro-Kunj, the mango grove where Lord Buddha stayed for a few years and attained Nirvana.

The next day, drive to Bodhgaya. En route visit Rajgir, one of the oldest capital cities in India. On the way to Rajgir, visit the great ruins of Nalanda University, the first university in the world which flourished from 427-1127 AD. Later, drive to Bodhgaya, the holiest place in the Buddhist world, where you can see the Mahabodhi Temple, which has been declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Several countries - Japan, Burma, China, Sri Lanka, Korea, Nepal – with large Buddhist populations, have built their respective monasteries and temples in Bodhgaya.

Travel to Varanasi and enjoy a boat cruise on the River Ganges. Later, visit the Vishwanath temple, also called the golden temple owing to the gold-plating on its roof.

Later, visit Sarnath, where Lord Buddha delivered his first sermon to his disciples, expounding the principles of Buddhism. The remains date back to the 3rd Century BC. One of the attractions here is the superb capitol of the Ashokan Pillar - the Ashokan symbol of four lions back-to-back, which has been adopted as the symbol of independent India.



Terms and Condition for Tours

1. Tour prices are based on a minimum group size of 8 persons (10 persons in the case of the Agra day trip)
2. Prices will vary for individual travellers, or smaller groups. These can be obtained from the official destination management company (travel agency).
3. The airfares and the timings are subject to change.
4. Tours may be cancelled without prior notice owing to unforeseen circumstances. All payments will be refunded in that case.
5. Tour prices include transportation as per the itineraries, services of a guide, buffet breakfast and meals as specified in the itineraries, hotel accommodation, and entrance fees to monuments.
6. Tour prices do not include airfares, camera fees or taxes

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Alternatively, you can download the form and fax it to the official travel agency (details below)

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• More than 60 days before the scheduled start of the tour	No charge
• 31-59 days before	25% of the tour fee
• 16-30 days before	50% of the tour fee
• 8-15 days before	75% of the tour fee
• 1-14 days before or no show	No refund

Official Destination Management Company

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General Information

Arrival & Departure

On arrival at Delhi's international airport, please go through the Green Channel if you have less than US\$ 10,000 on your person and if you have no unaccompanied baggage. Please use the Red Channel if you have anything to declare or if you are carrying foreign currency in excess of US\$ 10,000.

Passport and Visa Requirements

You are advised to contact the Indian Embassy/High Commission/Consulate in your country in order to obtain a visa of entry. Please apply for your visa in good time. Your travel agent may also be able to help you.

Foreign visitors entering India must have a passport valid for at least 6 months after their date of entry in India, except in the case of nationals of Bhutan and Nepal who need only carry suitable means of identification. In case of difficulty in obtaining a visa, please contact the FICPI Symposium Secretariat.

Import Regulations

You may bring with you into India articles and gadgets for personal use, 200 cigarettes (or 50 cigars or 250 gms tobacco) and liquor and wines up to 1 litre. In case you are carrying any items of high value, please ask the customs officer for a Tourist Baggage Re-Export Form (TBRE) which you will have to show to customs at the time of your departure to show that you are re-exporting the items.

Export Regulations

On your return you may take back souvenirs, including Indian silk, wool, handicrafts, etc., without any limit, and gold and silver jewellery and handicrafts up to a value of INR 100,000. Please note that the export of antiques and art objects more than 100 years old is restricted and the export of wildlife products is prohibited.

Currency

The currency in India is the Rupee, which comes in denominations of 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 500 and 1,000. Please use authorised money changers and banks to change currency. They will issue a certificate of exchange which is required at the time of re-conversion of any unused currency. Under the Foreign Exchange Management Act 1999, it is an offence to exchange foreign currency other than through authorised money changers or banks.

You can check the conversion rate from your own currency to INR at www.xe.com

Climate

The average temperature in Delhi in December is 16°C. Mornings and evenings can be chilly. Please carry a jacket/light woollens.

Insurance and Liability

The organisers and FICPI take no responsibility for any individual, medical, travel or personal insurance. Participants are advised to secure their own insurance policies as necessary.

While every attempt is made to ensure efficient, trouble-free hospitality, including hotel accommodation, sightseeing and tours, participants are advised that no liability accrues to the organisers or FICPI in case of any necessary modifications such as changes to itineraries for tours owing to delays or cancellations of flights/other exigencies beyond the organisers' control.

Language

English is widely spoken, except in most rural areas.

Health

Please consult with your physician regarding health precautions prior to visiting India.

If you are coming from, or have visited, Africa, Latin America or an area infected with yellow fever within five days prior to your arrival in India, proof of inoculation against yellow fever is required.

General Advice

Drink only bottled water and check that the seal is intact when you receive it.

Avoid raw vegetables, uncooked seafood and peeled fruit. Avoid food and drinks from street vendors.

IDD

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Personal Property

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Local Time

Indian Standard Time (IST) is GMT + 5 ½ hrs

Dress Code

Working sessions: Business attire

Tours: Casual clothing; comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

Social programmes: Informal

Smoking Policy

All conference rooms are no-smoking areas.

Tips

You are not compelled to tip anyone for any service rendered. The normal tip to your waiter in a restaurant is 10%.

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