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IAAPI AMUSEMENT EXPO 2024: Dates Announced



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Yes, we want you to block your diaries and mark your calendars well in advance. The 22nd edition of IAAPI Amusement Expo will be held from **27 to 29 February 2024 at Bombay Exhibition Centre, Mumbai - India.**

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Himachal Pradesh to promote adventure activities in lesser-known valleys.

To increase the footfall of the visitors and adventure enthusiasts from India and abroad, the Himachal Pradesh government is planning to promote adventure-related activities in the state in a phased manner. Besides giving a push to the ongoing sports activities, like paragliding, water sports and skiing, the government is likely to facilitate trekkers too.There are numerous treks in the state, particularly in the districts of Kullu, Kangra, Mandi, Sirmaur, Kinnaur, Lahaul-Spiti and Chamba, which offers a lot to adventure lovers and also to explore the Himalayan flora and fauna besides tryst with the wildlife.

Source :https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com

Uttarakhand: State Government Inks Agreement with Private Firm for Developing Ropeway

The ropeway project at Yamunotri, one of the Char Dhams in the great Himalayas, is inching closer to reality. This comes in the backdrop of the Uttarakhand government signing a memorandum of understanding (MoU) on 23 February for development and operation of passenger ropeway.



The concession agreement for Yamunotri ropeway was signed between the Uttarakhand Tourism Development Board (UTDB) and private firms, namely, S R M Engineering and FIL Industries Limited. Speaking after the signing of the MoU, Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami said, "Yamunotri Dham is crucial for our state and is recognized worldwide. It is an auspicious day for us today. With the ropeway, the journey (yatra) of the pilgrim will become easier and also reduce their travel time," Dhami said.The ropeway from Kharsali village to Yamunotri Temple in Uttarkashi district of Uttarakhand is being built under public-private partnership (PPP) mode.

Source: https://swarajyamag.com



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Goa Tourism Body Welcomes State Move To Regulate Water Sports

The Goa government's decision to regulate water sports has been welcomed by the coastal state's apex travel and tourism body, which said visitors will be unhappy and head elsewhere if they are overcharged.The Goa bench of the Bombay High court recently ordered the state tourism department to introduce a "queue system" for water sports. Following the order, the department started state-run counters to regulate the recreational activity.

Nilesh Shah, president of the Travel and Tourism Association of Goa, said such a step was necessary as many water sports overcharge customers, which brings a bad name to the state.

"Safety standards will be improved once there is the regulation of the activity. Pricing will be regularised," he said.



Source: https://theprint.in

Rajasthan Tourism Awarded With "Best Emerging Destination -Most Scenic Road Award"



Tourism & Survey Award 2022 ceremony organized on Thursday, 24th February 2023 in Hotel Oberoi, New Delhi. On this occasion, Department of Tourism, Rajasthan gets "Best Emerging Destination – Most Scenic Road Award 2022" for Udaipur to Jodhpur. Honourable Shri Arjun Ram Meghawal, Union Culture and Parliamentary Affairs Minister, presented this award to State's Principal Secretory Tourism, Government of Rajasthan, Gayatri Rathore. RTDC, Chairman, Dharmendra Rathore was also present on this occasion. On this occasion, RTDC, Chairman, Dharmendra Rathore said in his address that, "It is far-reaching results have been to seen the complete status of industry to tourism in Rajasthan. All the units related to tourism sector in Rajasthan benefited by the State Tourism Policy, and all are working together to promote tourism". Five major tourist destinations, Haldighati, Kumbhalgarh Fort, Delvada Jain Temple, Ranakpur Jain Temple and Shri Om Banna Mandir, attract lot of tourists.

Source :https://travelbizmonitor.com





The National Museum Of Qatar: Depicting The Country's History Through Centuries

The National Museum of Qatar (NMoQ) is dedicated to the history of Qatar. Symbolically, its architecture evokes the desert, its silent and eternal dimension, but also the spirit of modernity and daring that have come along and shaken up what seemed unshakeable . A visit to the National Museum, one will find gigantic flying saucers. Designed as a desert rose, the museum structure is pleasing to the eye. Besides the museum, the building itself is an architectural marvel. And also reflects meticulous planning on the design front. The entire journey (inside the museum) is immersive and at the same time experiential which tells the story of Qatar and its people from earliest times to today. Visiting the museum one will easily understand the peninsula's natural history, its rich heritage and culture. The National Museum is dedicated to thehistory of Qatar. Symbolically, its architecture evokes the desert, its silent and eternal dimension, but also the spirit of modernity and daring that have come along and shaken up what seemed unshakeable.

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Tiara-topped Water Tower Coming Soon



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Disney Parks guests will get to experience Princess Tiana's story like never before following the attraction's debut at Walt Disney World Resort and Disneyland Resort in 2024, and what a party it will be! The story will pick up where the film left off as guests join Princess Tiana and jazz-loving alligator Louis on an adventure down the bayou as they prepare to host a one-of-a-kind celebration during Mardi Gras season where everyone is welcome. Along the way, guests will encounter familiar faces, make new friends and travel through the bayou to original music inspired by songs from the film.

Our team of Imagineers recently traveled to New Orleans to capture the true essence of the Mardi Gras celebration, the energy, the colors, the rhythms of the music, all that and more to infuse into Tiana's Bayou Adventure to create lots of memorable fun for guests!

Source :https://disneyparks.disney.go.com