<u>ITINERARY</u>

Duration: 6 Nights / 7 Days

Destinations Covered: - Delhi-Shimla-Manali-Chandigarh-Delhi

Day 1: Delhi - Shimla

Arrival Shimla in the morning. Check-in in the hotel & after fresh up go for Shimla sightseeing Draped in forests of pine, oak and rhododendron this erstwhile summer capital of British Colonizer blossoms at an altitude of 2,205 m. Experience pleasant summers and snowy winters at the soothing environs of Shimla which is often referred as "Queen of Hills". The neo-gothic architecture mushrooming amidst emerald settings of Shimla adds a vintage appeal which charms all. Spend the day at leisure at your hotel.

Day 2: Shimla

On the second day you will be driven towards numerous famous tourist spots of the region. First set on an excursion to Kufri, a tiny hamlet located 13 km from Shimla. The highest point of the surrounding region, Kufri is known for spectacular scenery and a Himalayan Wildlife Zoo. For further blossoming vistas drive to Fagu or try your hands at renowned golf course of Naldehra which is a spectacular course, nestled at an altitude of 2044 meters strewn with trees and hillocks. Enjoy panoramic views there and in the evening visit Jakhu Temple- a very well-known temple situated at the top of the hill. An hour long physically challenging trek takes you to the renowned temple known for stunning vistas, presence of numerous monkeys and for being the place where as per legends, Lord Hanumana had rested. Later walk down to the bustling mall & enjoy shopping. Drive back to Shimla then in time for dinner.

Day 3: Shimla - Manali (265 kms)

After breakfast drive to Manali, the renowned hill station of Himachal Pradesh. While domestic tourists visit Manali for honeymooning and the enchanting views of mountains the foreigners loves to indulge in adventure sports and for a laid back

exploration of the surrounding villages and temples. Also it is from here that a significant number of trekkers set on their mountaineering escapades towards Ladakh, Karakoram Pass, Spiti, Leh and Keylong.

Day 4: Manali:

After breakfast you may take a walking tour of Manali, visiting the 450 years old temple dedicated to Hadimba Devi, which has some excellent woodcarvings which includes its intricately carved wooden doors and a 24 meters tall wooden tower. Goddess Durga dominates



most of the themes of the carvings inside the temple which is very captivating. You also visit the Vashisht Bath, Jagat Sukh Tibetan Monastery and the handicraft centre. The rest of the day at leisure or walk to the nearby picturesque village of Vashisht known for its quaint environs, small temples, simple living and of course hot sulphur springs. Visit Vashisht to witness tranquilizing façade of Mother Nature. This morning you visit the Solang Valley which is situated at the top of Kullu Valley in Himachal Pradesh. The valley is not only a favorite of nature lovers, but is equally loved by adventure freaks for it offers summer and winter sport conditions. You can try your hands at various exhilarating sport activities such as parachuting, paragliding, skating, skiing and zorbing.

Day 5: Manali:

Today you will move towards the not to be missed destinations of the region, the Rohtang Pass where you may get a chance to frolic in the snow. Situated 51 km from Manali at an altitude of 3978 meters Rohtang Pass is a high mountain which connects Lahaul and Spiti Valleys (subjected to weather conditions). Also visit Kothi and beautiful Rahala Waterfalls situated at an altitude of 2501m on the way. Rest of the evening is free to explore Manali.

Day 6: Manali - Chandigarh (320 kms):

You drive next to Chandigarh. While some visitors are impressed with the urbanized settlement of Chandigarh, others find the green and clean ambiance of the city perfect for a vacation amidst interesting tourist sites and buzzing nightlife. Most fascinating is the architectural excellence of the neat geometrical design of residential quarters and area layouts gives the city a unique westernized appearance rarely found in the country. If time permits enjoy local sightseeing such as Museum and Art Gallery and The Chandigarh Museum before settling in your hotel for night stay.

Day 7: Chandigarh - Delhi:

After breakfast, you will be driven back to Delhi, enroute visit Rock Garden and Rose Garden. Rock Garden is a brilliant creation of a humble transport official, the park was put together by Nek Chand who wanted a small garden for himself and ended up creating grand sculptures inside a beauteous park. Later you will be escorted back to Delhi from where you will board the flight back home.

