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Tourist Advisory (Keep Ladakh Pristine: Your responsibility as a visitor)

Welcome to Ladakh, a land of stunning natural beauty and rich cultural heritage, however, the environment is very fragile and eco-sensitive and to preserve this pristine environment for future generations, we urge all tourists to follow these guidelines:

1. Maintain Cleanliness

- Dispose of waste properly.
- Use designated waste bins.
- Carry a small bag for your trash if bins are not available.

2. Avoid Littering

Do not leave any litter, especially at tourist spots, trekking routes, and camping sites.

3. Avoid Plastic Use

- Bring reusable water bottles and bags.
- Avoid single-use plastics whenever possible.

4. Responsible Consumption

- Purchase eco-friendly and biodegradable products.
- > Say no to products with excessive packaging.

5. Respect Local Culture and Environment

- Follow Local Customs.
- Show respect for local traditions and ways of life.
- Dress modestly and behave courteously when visiting religious sites.

6. Protect Wildlife and Natural Resources

- Do not disturb wildlife.
- Stay on marked wildlife trails.

7. Discouragement of Unruly Behaviour

- No vandalism.
- Do not deface natural formations, monuments, or public property.

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8. Noise Control

> Keep noise levels down, especially in quiet and serene areas.

9. Respect Quiet Hours

Avoid loud gatherings late at night to respect the peace of local communities and fellow travellers.

Responsible Trekking

- Do not venture out alone on trek without a guide.
- No attempt should be made to climb any peak in less than a group of four people.

General Instructions for tourists visiting Ladakh

- Follow the instructions of local authorities.
- Acclimatization of 48 hours is compulsory.
- Always carry a valid government ID proof.
- Expect security checks and cooperate with law enforcement authorities.
- > Get requisite permits in advance to avoid last minute hassle.
- Foreigners are requested to carry their passport and obtain requisite permit for visiting specific areas.
- Possession of a satellite phone is strictly prohibited in Ladakh and may lead to detention or arrest, unless for an approved activity by the UT Administration.

Together, we can keep Ladakh beautiful!

Your cooperation is essential to maintain the beauty and sustainability of Ladakh. Let's work together to keep this paradise clean and green for everyone to enjoy. For more information and tips on responsible tourism in Ladakh, please visit our local tourist information centres.

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- 2. SSP Leh/Kargil for information.
- 3. Director, Tourism Department, UT Ladakh for information.
- 4. Technical Director, NIC, Ladakh with the request to upload the advisory on the official website of the UT of Ladakh and district websites of Leh and Kargil.

- 5. Joint Director, Information Department, UT of Ladakh for wide publicity through electronic, print and social media.
- 6. OSD to Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, UT of Ladakh for kind information of the HLG.
- 7. Private Secretary to Advisor to Hon'ble LG, Ladakh for kind information of the Advisor.
- 8. PA to Secretary, Tourism & Culture Department, UT of Ladakh for kind information of the Secretary.

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