



EXPEDITION TO LAHAUL & SPITI

23rd May to 1st June 2026

Experience the thrill of off-road driving, immerse yourself in local culture, and witness the surreal landscapes of Lahaul and Spiti — where every turn is a new adventure waiting to unfold.



ABOUT **LAHAUL & SPITI**

Discover the Untamed Beauty of Lahaul & Spiti Valley through the heart of the Indian Himalayas — a land where time slows down and nature takes center stage. This immersive expedition begins in the charming hill town of Narkanda, winding through the lush orchards and majestic peaks of Sangla Valley before entering the stark, otherworldly terrain of Spiti. Explore the ancient villages of Nako and Tabo, home to centuries-old monasteries and timeless traditions. Traverse the windswept valley of Kaza, the cultural and geographical heart of Spiti, before crossing the legendary Kunzum Pass into the wild beauty of Lahaul. Spend a magical night by the turquoise waters of Chandrataal Lake, surrounded by silence and stars, before concluding your journey in the bustling town of Manali.

From thrilling drives along narrow mountain roads to serene moments in remote villages, this expedition blends adventure, culture, and breathtaking scenery into a truly unforgettable Himalayan experience.



TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

Explore Sangla & Chitkul – Journey into the stunning Baspa Valley and visit Chitkul, India's last inhabited village near the Indo-Tibetan border, known for its dramatic scenery and traditional wooden homes.

Discover Kaza – Spend two nights in Spiti's high-altitude hub, where ancient culture meets a raw, dramatic landscape.

Visit Key Monastery – One of the region's most iconic landmarks, this ancient monastery sits perched on a hilltop, echoing chants and offering panoramic views of the Spiti Valley.

Explore Hikkim, Komic & Langza –

- **Hikkim** – Post a letter from one of the highest post offices in the world.
- **Komic** – Visit the world's highest motorable village, where simplicity meets the sky.
- **Langza** – Spot the massive Buddha statue overlooking fossil-rich terrain and ancient Himalayan stories.

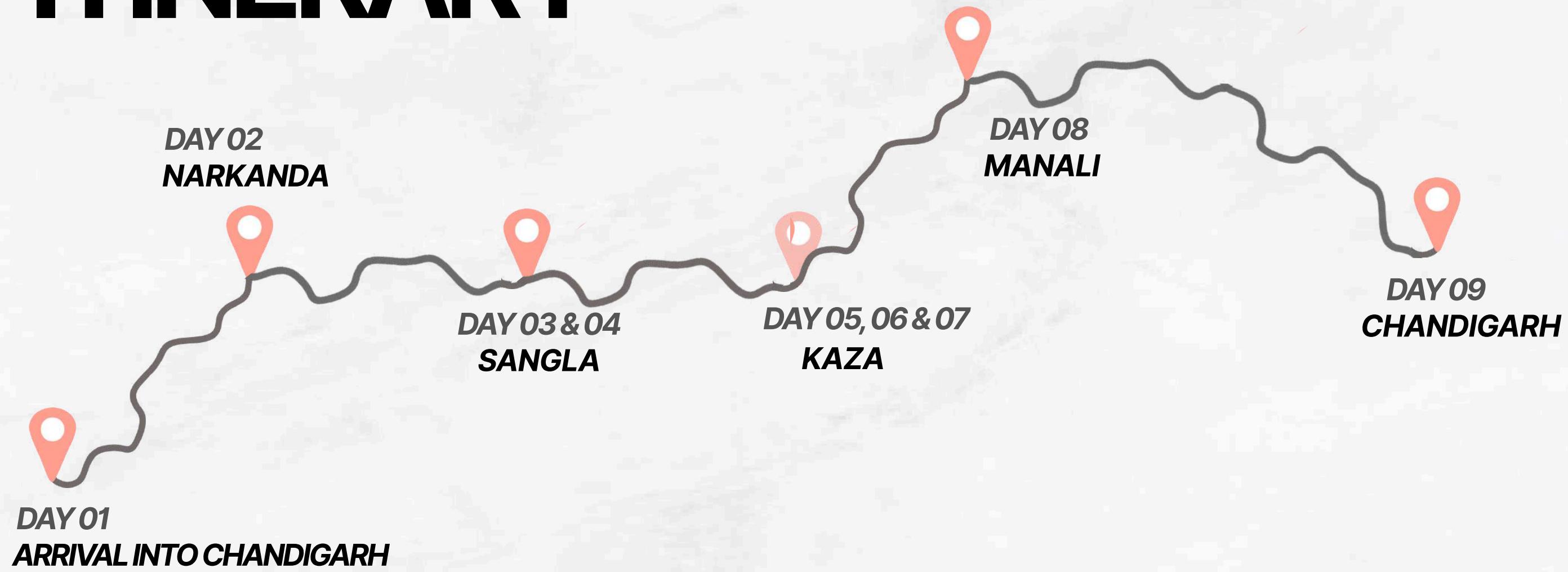
Cross Kunzum La – Feel the thrill of crossing Kunzum Pass (4,551 m), a gateway between Spiti and Lahaul, surrounded by snow-clad peaks and prayer flags.

Stop by Chandratal Lake – Make a detour to this mystical high-altitude lake, known for its crescent shape and pristine reflections – a visual masterpiece.

Descend into Manali – Return to lush green landscapes, waterfalls, and cedar forests as you make your way to Manali after days in the stark highlands.



EXPEDITION ITINERARY



DAY 01

Chandigarh

ARRIVAL & BRIEFING

Your journey begins in Chandigarh, where participants arrive by road or air. After check-in at the hotel, vehicles will be handed over, and essential formalities will be completed. In the evening, gather for a detailed expedition briefing, team introductions, and a welcome dinner to kick off the adventure. Overnight stay in Chandigarh.

HOTEL: HYATT OR SIMILAR

DAY 02

Drive to Narkanda

INTO THE HILLS

Post breakfast, begin your drive through the scenic Shivalik hills, heading toward the quaint town of Narkanda. The route takes you via Shimla, Kufri, and Theog, offering beautiful hill views, dense pine forests, and apple orchards. We will have a delicious lunch at Taj Theog, reach Narkanda by late afternoon, and settle in. Overnight stay in Narkanda

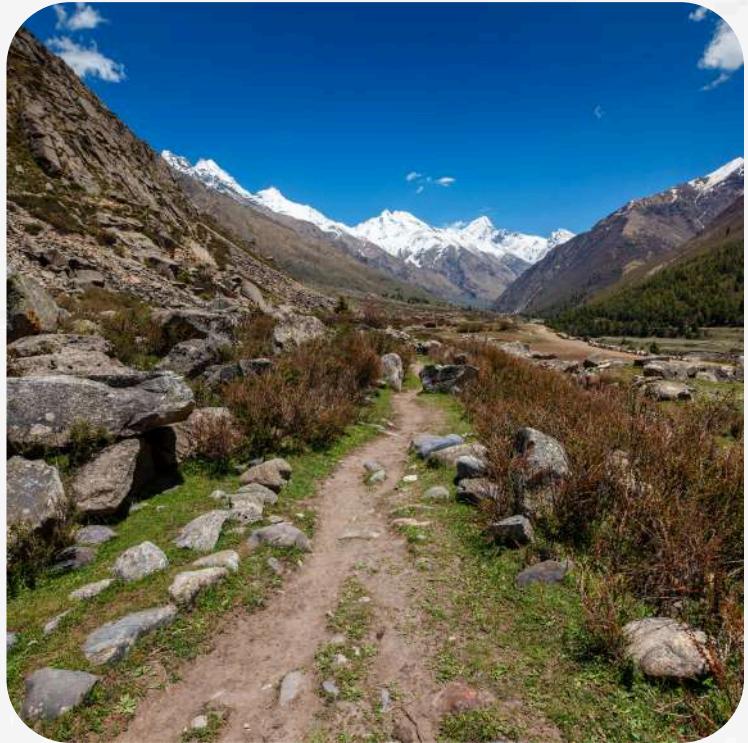
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DAY 03

Narkanda to Sangla

ENTER THE BASPA VALLEY

Today's drive takes you deeper into Himachal's mountainous terrain as you descend toward the Sutlej River and follow its winding course upstream. The road carves through dramatic gorges and hanging cliffs, passing through Rampur and Karcham before entering the breathtaking Baspa Valley. By afternoon, arrive at Banjara Retreat, a beautiful property tucked away in Sangla's forested slopes. Surrounded by apple orchards, cedar trees, and the soothing sound of the Baspa River, the retreat offers cosy wooden cottages, warm hospitality, and stunning views of the Kinnaur Kailash range. It's a perfect place to unwind after a long day's drive.

**HOTEL: BANJARA RETREAT**

DAY 04

Excursion to Chitkul

INDIA'S LAST VILLAGE & RIVERSIDE LUNCH

After breakfast, drive to Chitkul, the last inhabited village near the Indo-Tibetan border. The scenic route follows the Baspa River through forests and open meadows. Once in Chitkul, explore the charming village, visit the ancient Mathi Devi Temple, and stop by the quaint post office, one of the highest in the region.

Enjoy a peaceful riverside lunch with views of snow-capped peaks and the gushing Baspa River – a perfect moment to unwind in nature. Later, drive back to Sangla for a relaxed evening.

HOTEL: BANJARA RETREAT



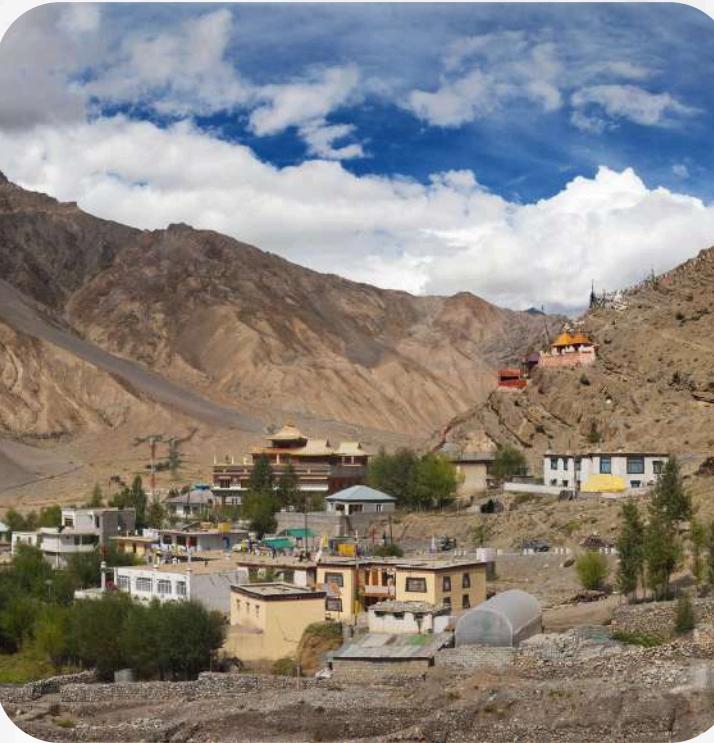
DAY 05

Sangla to Kaza

JOURNEY INTO SPITI VALLEY

Today is one of the longest but most rewarding drives of the expedition. Depart early from Sangla and drive along the Sutlej River before entering the high-altitude landscapes of Spiti Valley. The terrain transforms dramatically as you leave behind pine forests and lush valleys for stark, rugged mountains and moonscape vistas.

En route, take a detour to visit the Gue Monastery, a hidden gem near the Indo-Tibetan border. The monastery is famous for housing the naturally preserved mummy of a 500-year-old monk, a fascinating and spiritual stop that adds to the mystique of Spiti. After the visit, continue onward, passing through Tabo and other remote hamlets before arriving in Kaza, the cultural and administrative capital of Spiti Valley.

HOTEL: GRAND DEWACHEN

DAY 06

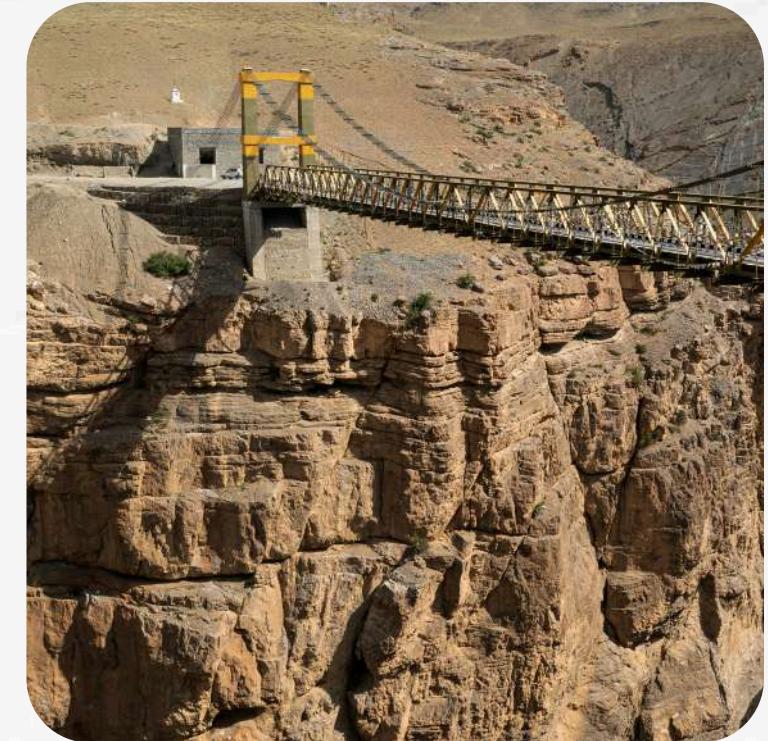
Explore Spiti

KEY MONASTERY, CHICHAM BRIDGE AND RIVER-CROSSING ACTIVITY

Start your day with a drive to the stunning Chicham Bridge, one of Asia's highest suspension bridges, spanning a dramatic gorge at over 13,500 feet. It's a perfect spot for photos and to soak in the scale of the Spiti landscape.

From there, head down to the majestic Key Monastery, a 1,000-year-old marvel perched on a hilltop overlooking the Spiti River. Explore its ancient prayer halls, meet the monks, and take in the panoramic views of the valley below.

Later, get ready for an adrenaline-filled experience as you take on a thrilling Spiti River crossing in your 4x4 SUV. This off-road adventure tests both man and machine as you drive through glacial waters with the help of your convoy – an unforgettable highlight of the expedition.



DAY 07

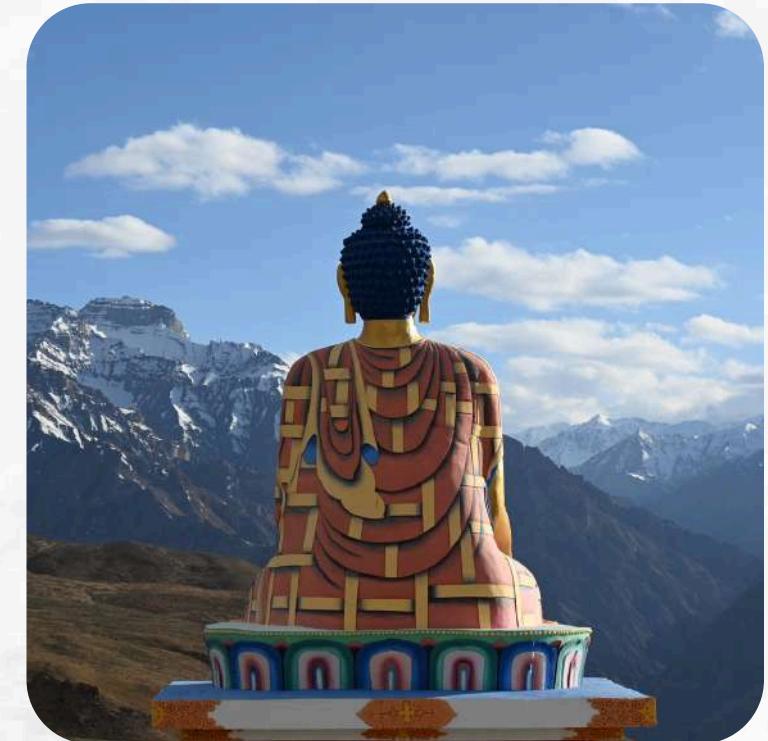
High-Altitude Villages

HIKKIM, KOMIC & LANGZA

After breakfast, embark on a scenic drive to explore some of Spiti's highest and most iconic villages. Start with Hikkim, home to one of the world's highest post offices – a unique spot to send postcards to loved ones from the edge of civilization.

Continue to Komic, the highest motorable village in Asia, where ancient monasteries and traditional mud homes stand against a backdrop of towering Himalayan peaks. Then, head to Langza, known as the fossil village, marked by its giant Buddha statue overlooking the valley. Keep an eye out for marine fossils embedded in the rocks – a surreal reminder of Spiti's prehistoric past.

Return to Kaza by afternoon and spend the rest of the day exploring its local market and cafés – perfect for shopping souvenirs, trying local food, or simply soaking in the vibe of this Himalayan town.



DAY 08

Kaza to Manali

VIA KUNZUM LA AND CHANDRATAL

Today's drive is one of the most scenic and adventurous of the expedition. Depart early from Kaza and ascend towards Kunzum La, a high mountain pass offering panoramic views of the Spiti and Lahaul valleys. Pause here for a brief prayer at the Kunzum Mata temple, as is the local tradition.

From there, take a short detour to visit the mesmerizing Chandratal Lake (subject to weather and road conditions). Known as the "Moon Lake," it's famous for its surreal, high-altitude beauty and ever-changing shades of blue.

Afterward, descend toward Batal, where we'll stop for a hearty lunch at the legendary Chacha Chachi Ka Dhaba – a humble but iconic eatery run by a warm-hearted couple known for their hospitality and survival stories. Enjoy a simple, soul-satisfying meal before continuing the drive through the dramatic terrain of the Atal Tunnel into the lush green valley of Manali.

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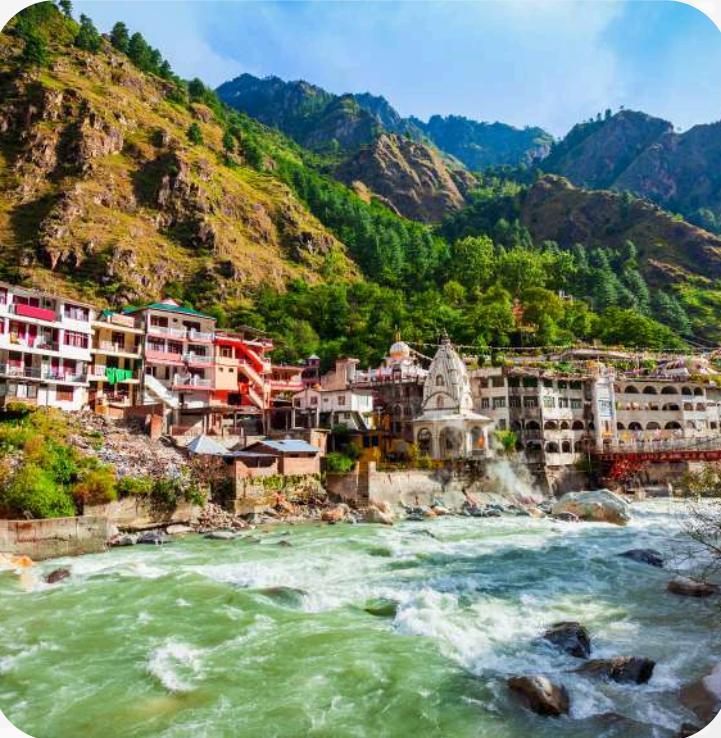
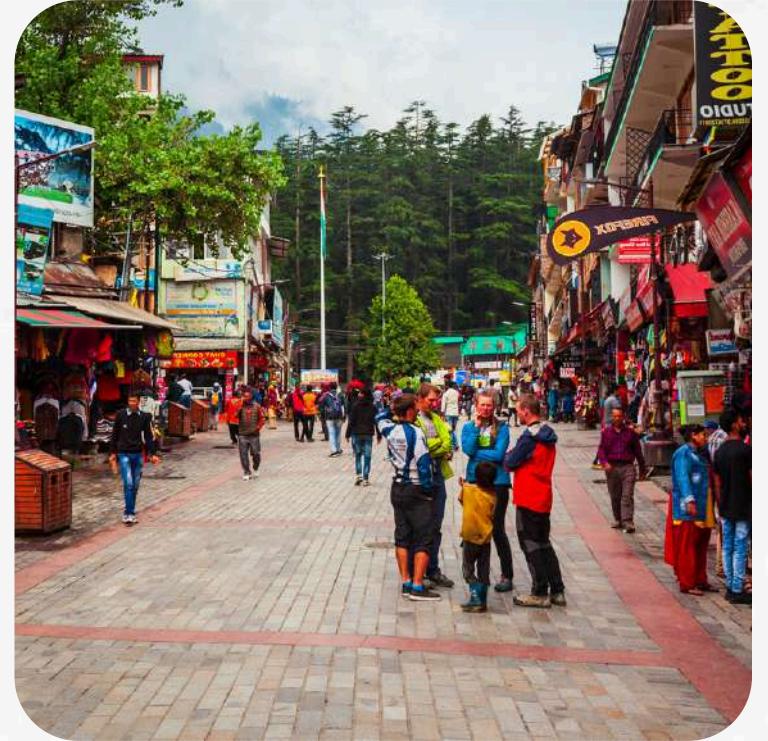
DAY 09

Manali to Chandigarh

HOMECOMING

After breakfast, drive back to Chandigarh via Mandi and Bilaspur. The descent is smooth and scenic as you return to the plains. Reach Chandigarh by evening and check into the hotel. Overnight stay in Chandigarh.

HOTEL: HYATT OR SIMILAR



EXPERIENCE COST

INR 1,50,000/- PER PERSON ON DOUBLE OCCUPANCY

INCLUSIONS

- 09 nights' accommodation in luxury hotels
- All meals included (breakfast, lunch, and dinner) on all days except lunch on Day 1
- Daily high-teas
- Bonfires on select evenings
- Riverside lunch experiences
- First-aid support throughout the journey
- Entry fees at all applicable sites and attractions
- Professionally captured photographs
- Two mineral water bottles per vehicle per day
- Services of knowledgeable local expert guides
- Mechanical support throughout the expedition
- Wireless radio sets for each vehicle
- A detailed expedition guidebook for each vehicle
- Personalized giveaways curated by Beyond Xpeditions

EXCLUSIONS

- Vehicle with Fuel
- Alcoholic beverages
- Travel insurance
- Personal expenses such as tips, in-room dining, or dining separately from the group meals
- Any additional accommodation costs arising due to unforeseen circumstances such as weather, civil unrest, or COVID-19-related issues
- 5% GST

VEHICLES AVAILABLE ON RENT

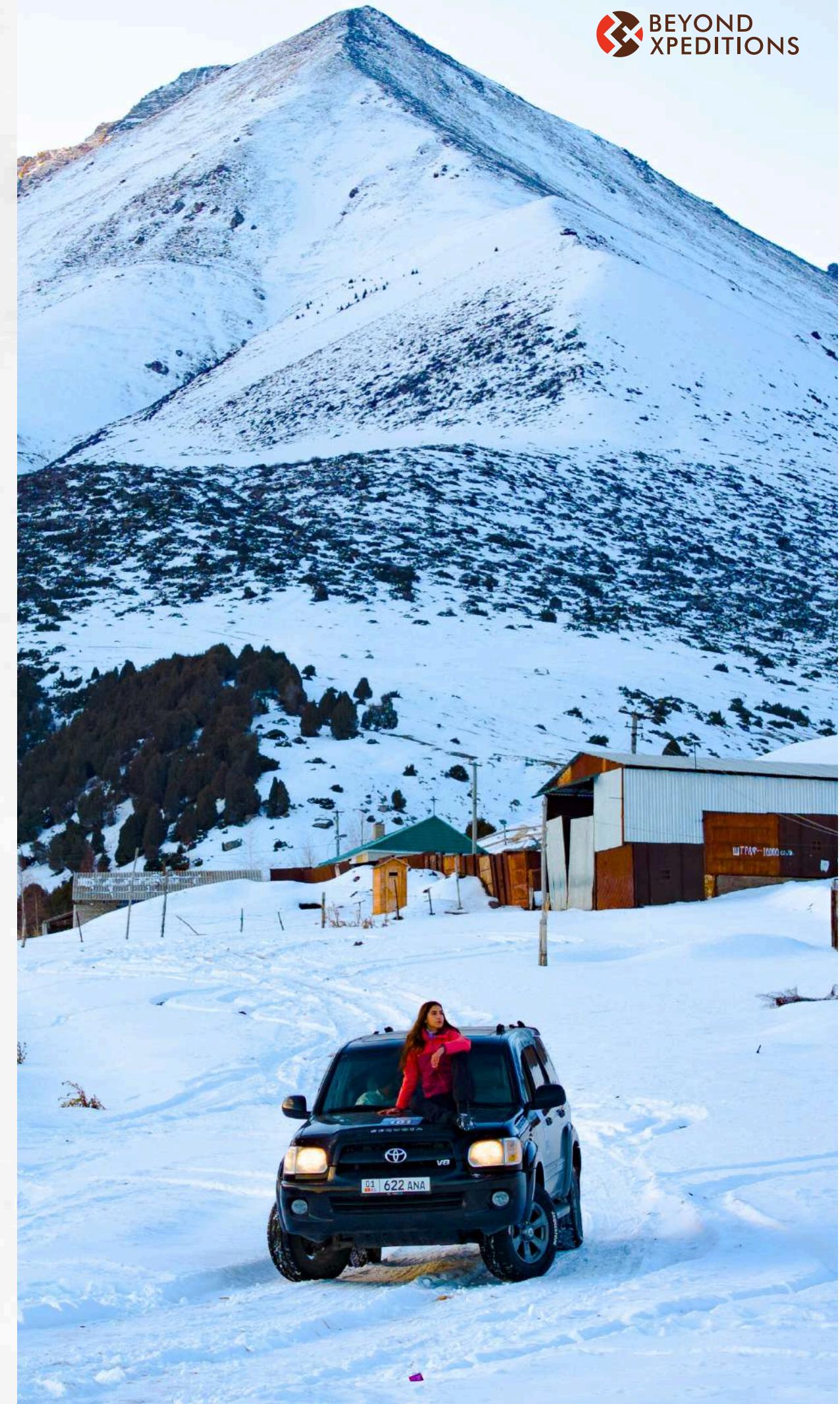
- Mahindra Thar A/T - INR 8,000 per day
- Toyota Fortuner A/T - INR 10,500 per day

CANCELLATION POLICY

- 15 to 30 days before departure – 35% refund
- 7 to 14 days before departure – 20% refund
- Less than 7 days before departure – No refund
- In the unlikely event Beyond Xpeditions cancels the trip (excluding force majeure), participants will receive a full refund.

PAYMENT TERMS

- INR 50,000 per person advance to be paid at the time of booking
- Balance amount to be cleared 45 days before the travel date



TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Eligibility & Participation

- The person driving must be at least 18 years old and have a valid passport.
- This expedition is designed for individuals in good physical and mental health. Participants must disclose any medical conditions beforehand.
- Beyond Xpeditions reserves the right to accept or reject any participant in the interest of group safety and cohesion.

2. Booking & Payment

- A non-refundable booking amount of ₹ 50,000 per person is required to confirm your spot.
- The balance payment must be completed no later than 45 days before departure.
- Payment schedules and deadlines will be strictly adhered to. Failure to comply may result in cancellation of participation.

4. Vehicle Responsibility

- Participants will be allocated self-drive vehicles based on draw of lots.
- Any damage to the vehicle due to negligence, off-road misuse, or violation of local laws must be borne by the participant.
- Fuel costs, tolls, and parking charges (if not included) will be specified in the inclusions section.

5. Itinerary & Weather Flexibility

- The itinerary is subject to change based on weather conditions, local regulations, or safety concerns.
- Any major route changes will be communicated by the Expedition Leader, whose decision will be final.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

7. Risk Acknowledgement

- A mandatory indemnity form will be signed before departure.
- Beyond Xpeditions and its partners are not liable for any injuries, losses, or damages sustained during the trip.

8. Conduct & Cooperation

- All participants are expected to respect local cultures, laws, and group dynamics.
- Any behavior that endangers the group or disrupts the experience may result in removal from the expedition without refund.

9. Photography & Media

- By participating in the event, you grant Beyond Xpeditions the right to use trip photos and videos (that may include your image) for marketing and social media purposes unless explicitly informed otherwise. Such media may be used, reproduced, and shared by the organizer, its event partners, and sponsors for marketing, promotional, and advertising purposes across print, digital, and social media platforms, without any further consent or compensation. You also waive any rights to inspect or approve the final use of such media.



WHY TRAVEL WITH **Beyond Xpeditions**

At Beyond Xpeditions, our commitment to excellence is reflected in our meticulous attention to detail. Every aspect of your journey is thoughtfully curated, from selecting the most captivating routes to choosing accommodations that blend luxury with local charm. We take pride in partnering with the right vendors, ensuring that every experience aligns with our ethos of quality and authenticity.

Safety is our foremost priority. Led by industry experts and 4x4 professionals, our team undergoes rigorous training to guarantee that your expedition is not only thrilling but also secure. We adhere to the highest safety standards, providing you with the confidence to explore diverse landscapes with ease.

Our expeditions are not just about the destination; they're about the journey. With Beyond Xpeditions, you're not merely a participant; you're part of an adventure meticulously crafted to exceed expectations and create memories that linger long after the expedition concludes.



EVENT PARTNERS



MENTIONS IN THE MEDIA

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ABOUT THE FOUNDER

Kaniyshk Malick is widely regarded as one of India's leading expedition leaders — a visionary adventurer who turned his lifelong passion for motoring and exploration into a thriving career. With over a decade of hands-on experience and expeditions across more than 15 countries, Kaniyshk has personally led self-drive journeys in 10 of them, from the icy highlands of Iceland and Kyrgyzstan to the vast deserts of Morocco and the rugged trails of Ladakh.

His journey began during his college days, where weekend off-roading sparked a deep connection with the outdoors and 4x4 vehicles. That early fascination soon evolved into expertise, understanding the terrain, vehicle capability, and the spirit of exploration at a level few possess.

Before founding Beyond Xpeditions, Kaniyshk worked with one of India's largest automobile manufacturers, where he played a key role in conceptualising and executing off-road events and long-format expeditions across the country. Those formative years sharpened his technical expertise and leadership, and shaped his understanding of what truly makes a world-class expedition — not just the route taken, but the emotion, intent, and precision behind every journey.

Today, Kaniyshk continues to chart new routes across continents, designing journeys that combine luxury, adventure, and authentic cultural immersion. His ability to blend meticulous planning with raw adventure has earned him the reputation of being not just an expedition leader but a storyteller on wheels.



EVENT REGISTRATION DETAILS

INR 50,000/- per person to be deposited to book the expedition.

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