Kartik Yatra - 2025

A holy pilgrimage to Sri Govardhan Dham

with

H.H. Radhanath Swami

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INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KRISHNA CONSCIOUSNESS Founder Acharya: His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada Dear Devotees,

Please accept our humble obeisances. All glories to Srila Prabhupada.

The Yatra Committee is glad to inform you that the Annual Kartik Yatra of Sri Sri Radha Gopinath congregation for the year 2025 will be to Sri Govardhan Dham. During this Yatra, we will visit holy places in and around Govardhan.

Please read the following details carefully before registering for the yatra.

IMPORTANT DATES

Yatra Itinerary:

ACTIVITY	STARTS ON	ENDS ON
Arrival at Govardhan	Sun, 19 th Oct	
Main yatra at Govardhan	Mon, 20 th Oct	Sun, 26 th Oct, 9pm
Departure from Govardhan	Mon, 27 th Oct	

Registration Dates:

Online registration	14 th April, 10am IST	28 th April, 6pm IST	
Last date for cancellation of registration with full refund (after deducting processing fee Rs. 300)		15 th July	
Details of accommodation available on website	1 st July		
Late registration (with a late fee of Rs. 500) (subject to accommodation availability)	29 th April	20 th July	
Substitution	21 st July	30 th September	
Last date for settling all accounts related matters	10 th November		

Accommodation Booking Dates:

ΑCTIVITY	STARTS ON	ENDS ON
Accommodation for Varishtha Vaishnavas	3 rd Aug, 10:00 am IST	12 th Aug
Accommodation for Matajis with children	5 th Aug, 10:00 am IST	12 th Aug
Accommodation for Families with children	7 th Aug, 10:00 am IST	12 th Aug
Accommodation for Single Matajis	9 th Aug, 10:00 am IST	12 th Aug
Accommodation for Single Prabhujis & All	11 th Aug, 10:00 am IST	12 th Aug

ELIGIBILITY

The minimum qualification for applying for the yatra is as follows:

- Applicants should be chanting a minimum of 16 rounds of the Hare Krishna Mahamantra daily and following the four regulative principles, including refraining from tea & coffee from Gaur Purnima (14th March 2025).
- 2. Applicants should be attending weekly ISKCON satsang programs on a regular basis for at least one year.
- 3. Applicants should follow the prescribed dress code of Dhoti-kurta for men and Sari for women during the Yatra.
- 4. Applicants must NOT have any objection from his/her Counsellor/ Spiritual Guide/ Authority/ Guardian/ Regional Facilitator (see Appendix for list of Regional Facilitators from other centres in India & abroad, as authorized by the Yatra Committee).
- 5. If anyone wants to join the Yatra from a location where there is no regional facilitator, they can directly contact the Yatra registration team at info@rgyatra.com.
- 6. Applicant's personal information should be updated in rgmdatabase.com, particularly
 - a. Photograph (mandatory for security reasons),
 - b. Mobile number, if any (for Yatra updates),
 - c. Address (for invoice)
 - d. Email address (if any),
 - e. Age and gender

YATRA CHARGES

- Kartik Yatra 2025 charges: INR 5,800/-
 - Charges include registration, internal travelling, prasadam (breakfast & lunch only) and donations to various temples in the holy Dham. **The above amount also includes INR 1,000 as an advance for the accommodation booking**. This advance amount will be adjusted with the room charges at the time of accommodation booking.
- Children under 5 years of age (as of 1st October 2025) are waived of registration charges.
 HOWEVER, THEY ALSO NEED TO BE REGISTERED. Please note that they will not be eligible for a separate seat during internal bus travel, etc. In case a separate seat is required, they have to pay the full Yatra charges. Accommodation charges WILL be charged for children less than 5 years of age too.
- Unregistered children below 5 years of age coming for the Yatra will be fined INR 1000 in addition to accommodation charges.
- Those devotees desiring dinner prasadam will have to make their own arrangements.
- Translation and direct links of the Yatra evening lectures will be available online on YouTube. However, if you wish to hear without time lag, kindly carry your FM device or arrange for a compatible FM app on your smartphone.

REGISTRATION

- Registration is **MANDATORY** for all devotees attending the yatra, including Brahmacharis, sevaks of different departments and children less than 5 years of age.
- Devotees can register online at rgmdatabase.com. Those who don't have a login id/password should get the same from their respective counsellor/ regional facilitator.
- Those uncomfortable with online registration can take the help of their counsellor/regional facilitator.
- Payment has to be made online immediately, either with UPI, a Credit / Debit card or through Internet Banking. Our payment gateway also provides EMI options for payments. Registration will be confirmed only after the payment process is complete.
- Your Yatra group in the previous Yatra will be displayed on the registration page, by default. You can keep the same or request a change of Yatra group at the time of registration. This is to avoid a huge number of group change requests during the Yatra. Kindly ensure that you select/change to the correct group based on your language/ family/ other considerations.
- Limited accommodation is available in Sri Govardhan Dham. The sooner devotees register for the yatra, the earlier the yatra committee can book more accommodation if required / available.
- If registrations exceed the accommodation available, all new registrations will be put on a waiting list. If the Yatra committee is able to arrange for additional accommodation, the waiting list will be confirmed. Otherwise, these devotees will have to try for a substitution or cancel their yatra participation.
- Registration shall be strictly non-transferable, i.e. once registered you cannot interchange it with anyone else except with prior approval of the Yatra committee.
- Registration with a late fee payment of Rs. 500/- will start from 29th April and will be allowed till 20th July, subject to the availability of accommodation.
- The final decision in all matters will be at the sole discretion of the Yatra committee.

ACCOMMODATION BOOKING

- It is **MANDATORY** for every yatra participant to book his or her accommodation through **the Yatra committee only.** In other words, Yatra participants must not book their accommodation directly in any hotel or guesthouse in Sri Govardhan Dham. However, if you have your own residential facility there, you are exempted from the above rule.
- Devotees will need to visit rgmdatabase.com and choose the room where they would like to stay and with which other devotees. Once one of the available rooms is selected, payment has to be made online immediately for the room.
- For a group of devotees wanting to stay together, one of the group members can book for the whole group, provided he/she has access to the profiles of all other group members.
- Coordinators or counselors are requested to arrange accommodations of the devotees under them by making sub-coordinators who know the situations, age & health issues of the devotees who want to come for the yatra.
- For those devotees who are not net savvy, a counter will be available at Sri Sri Radha Gopinath

Mandir, Mumbai, at a stipulated time, where a volunteer will register and book accommodation on the devotee's behalf (using the respective devotee's Login ID and Password).

Step 1: By 20st July, the accommodation details of all rooms at Sri Govardhan Dham will be available on rgmdatabase.com for viewing and download.

Step 2: On 3rd Aug, 10 am IST, accommodation booking will start for Varishtha Vaishnavas (VV).

- Varishtha Vaishnavas (VV) are Prabhujis whose age is 60 years or more as of 1st October 2025 and Matajis whose age is 55 years or more as of 1st October 2025.
- On the 3rd & 4^{th of} Aug, only Varishtha Vaishnavas will be allowed to choose accommodation.
- From 5th Aug, no preference will be given to Varishtha Vaishnavas. But they can continue to book any available room.
- Varishtha Vaishnava couples wanting to stay together will be able to book any available room of capacity 2 only.
- Kindly note that any unoccupied space in a room booked by you now will remain available for booking by other Varishtha Vaishnavas.

Step 3: From 5th Aug, Matajis with children (MC) can book accommodation.

- Varishtha Vaishnavas who want to form a group with Matajis with children can also book accommodation during this time.
- Children are defined as boys who are 12 years old or younger and girls who are 15 years old or younger, as of 1st October 2025.
- Kindly note that any unoccupied space in a room booked by you now, will remain available for booking by other Varishtha Vaishnavas or Matajis accompanied by children.

Step 4: From 7th Aug, Families with children (FC) can book accommodation.

- Families with children (FC) are those families with boys up to the age of 12 years as of 1st
 October 2025 and/or girls up to the age of 15 years as of 1st October 2025.
- If there are some children within the age category defined above and other children older than the age defined above, still the family can book under this category.
- If all children are above the age defined above, accommodation cannot be booked under this category. They will be able to book later.
- Higher categories (VV and MC) can continue to register and choose available rooms with families with children.

Step 5: From 9th Aug, Single Matajis (SM) can book accommodation.

• Single Matajis refer to those Matajis who are willing to stay with other Matajis only, even though their other family members may be participating in the Yatra.

Step 6: From 11th Aug till 12th Aug, any devotee can choose any of the available rooms and book them.

KINDLY NOTE: Due to the limited availability of rooms at Sri Govardhan Dham, the Yatra committee cannot guarantee that all members of a family will be able to stay together in the same room.

SUBSTITUTION

- If any devotee has paid for the registration and accommodation and cannot come for the yatra,
 he/ she can find a substitute. The onus of finding a substitute lies with the devotee who is cancelling, but the Yatra committee can provide help.
- Substitution is self-service. The Steps to submit a substitution request are as follows:
 - 1. Registered devotees or counsellors can visit the YATRA >> REGISTRATIONS page from the main menu.
 - 2. On the right side of the registered member, in the Actions drop-down, click on "Substitution Request"
 - 3. Kindly provide the devotee ID of the substitute whose profile is updated and eligible for Yatra.
 - 4. Finally, the admin will confirm in the system that the substitution process will be completed only when the substitution is appropriate.
- Once paid, the registration & accommodation charges will not be refunded. A fee of Rs 500 from the devotee who is coming and a fee of Rs 300 from the devotee who is cancelling will be charged by the yatra committee. However, wait-listed devotees will get full refunds, excluding the bank transaction charges. Substitutions will be allowed till 30th September.

TRAVELING

- 1. Traveling arrangements from one's place of residence to Sri Govardhan Dham and back, have to be made by the participants on their own.
- 2. The Yatra committee will make internal bus travel arrangements for visiting various holy places during the yatra wherever required.
- 3. For reaching Sri Govardhan Dham from New Delhi or any other nearby railway stations/ airports, the Yatra committee will provide the contact details of some travel agents/ transport agencies. Devotees may contact, negotiate, book, pay and bear any risks, on their own, in this regard.

IMPORTANT CONTACT E-MAIL ID

- All accommodation-related queries should only be sent to acco@rgyatra.com
- All other Yatra-related communication could be sent to **info@rgyatra.com**

CORRECTIVE ACTION

Norms regarding the conduct of the devotees pertaining to visiting the places, security, dress code, shopping, regulative principles, etc., would be intimated by the Yatra committee through a separate information booklet. All the participants are expected to strictly follow the instructions of the yatra committee and other sub-committees like security, prasadam, etc. Any discrepancy will be viewed seriously, and the concerned devotee may be penalized monetarily or debarred from future participation in yatras or both. Counsellors of such erring devotees would also be considered responsible for any misbehaviour of their counselees violating the norms of the yatra. Observations of the vigilance committee will be taken into account for executing the disciplinary action and the decision of the yatra committee would be irrevocable in this regard.

FORCE MAJEURE

If Yatra needs to be cancelled due to a natural catastrophe or any unavoidable reasons, the Yatra committee will refund the appropriate charges after deducting the expenses already incurred.

DISCLAIMER

Devotees attending this yatra are doing so entirely at their own risk. Under no circumstances shall the members of the yatra committee in particular or ISKCON Chowpatty in general, individually or collectively, be liable for any loss/ damage in any way due to any cause beyond your / our control.

Thanking you, Your servants, Sanatkumar das & Shyamananda das (Yatra Coordinators)

APPENDIX "A": LIST OF REGIONAL FACILITATORS (INDIA)

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APPENDIX "B": LIST OF REGIONAL FACILITATORS (OVERSEAS)

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