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Tailor Made Travel: India *Boating down the Ganges*

"The story of the Ganges, from her source to the sea, from old times to new, is the story of India's civilisation and culture, of the rise and fall of empires, of great and proud cities, of the adventure of man." (Jawaharlal Nerhu)

The river Ganges takes its name from the water goddess 'Ganga' - takes the traveller into the very heartland of India. Rising in the glaciers of the Himalayas, it crosses into the plains at Rishikesh, and empties into the Bay of Bengal, some 2500 kms to the southeast. Along the way it flows through a landscape of continually changing scenery, and a rich diversity of cultures and peoples. The holy city of Varanasi should be visited by all travellers to India for here more than any other city the true roots of the India consciousness are revealed. The following boat tour commencing in the holy city of Allahabad revered as the confluence between the two holy rivers of Ganges and Jumna. However, to visit highlights of this part of India in greater comfort and taking in some of the other sights of central India an alternative itinerary is proposed.

Itinerary Boating on the Ganges (9 day tour)

Day 1 Morning flight from Delhi to Allahabad. Afternoon tour of the city by Tongas (horse drawn carriages). Overnight at hotel (tbd).

Day 2 Transfer to boat. Sail from Allahabad to Lakhiya. Overnight in tents.

Day 3 Sailing from Lakiya to Usmanpur. Overnight in tents

Day 4 Sailing from Unsmampur to Mardaghat. Overnight in tents

Day 5 Sailing from Mardaghat to Mirzapur. Overnight in tents.

Day 6 Sailing from Mirzapur to Varanasi. Overnight in hotel.

Day 7 Full day sightseeing in Varanasi.

Day 8 Day of leisure. Evening flight to Delhi.

Day 9 Depart Delhi for onward flight