

Kalimpong

Situated almost midway between (Darjeeling and Siliguri is this tittle town "Kurseong which means 'Land of the White Orchid' in the Lepcha Language.

The place gained prominence when the Darjeeling Himalayan Railway line to Darjeeling was constructed and Kurseong became the headquarters.

The town is surrounded by some of the most well known tea gardens internationally producing some of Darjeeling's finest tea.

The town also has some of the most well known educational institutions of the region such as the "Victoria Boys School, Dow Hill Girls School, Goethal's 'Memorial School and St. Helen's Convent.

Fact File

Area 7.5 sq. kms.

Population 40019 (2001) census)

Altitude 4860 ft.

Location 26°53"N88°17"E

Climate

Temperature

Summer: Max.26°C. Min.8°C

Winter: Max. 13°C.Min.0°C

Rainfall 160" annually

Best Season March to Mid-June &

September to December.

Clothing Light woolens in winter &

tropical in summer.

Languages spoken Nepali, English, Hindi, Bengali and Tibetan.



How to Reach

Kurseong is connected to all the major cities of India by Air, Rail and Road.

AIR:

The nearest airport Bagdogra, is 53 kms from Kurseong.

RAIL:

The nearest major railway station is New Jalpaiguri Railway Station. From here there are direct railway connections to most of the major cities of India.

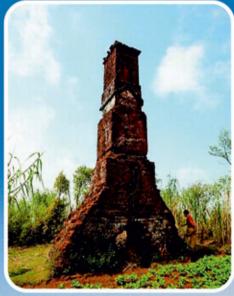
ROAD:

Kurseong is connected to Darjeeling (30 kms), Siliguri (47 kms) and from there on to the rest of the country by road.













Places of <u>Interest</u>

EAGLE'S CRAG

A view point near the main town commands a spectacular view of the mountains, hills and the plains. There is a small park here with a monument dedicated to the martyrs from the region.

THE GROTTO

Situated at St. Mary's Hill, about 2 kms from Kurseong town, the grotto houses a shrine of Mother Mary. From here one can get a spectacular view of Darjeeling hills, the river Balason and the many tea gardens of the region.

THE DEER PARK

Located at Dow Hill on the upper reaches of Kurseong, it is about 4 kms away from the town and has a small amusement park. At a very close distance is the Forest School which has an informative museum on the flora and fauna of the region.

GIDDAPAHAR

Situated 2 kms away from Kurseong town is Gidda Pahar which has a Temple dedicated to Lord Shiva. Located in the vicinity is the residence of the Great Indian Freedom Fighter Netaji Subash Chandra Bose.

MAKAIBARI TEA ESTATE

Home of the farmed Silver-tip muscated tea which attracts bidders from all over the world, the Makaibari Tea Estate is located 4 kms from the main town. This beautifully kept tea garden welcomes all visitors to witness the tea manufacturing process and have a refreshing cup of garden fresh tea.

AMBOTIA SHIVA MANDIR

The Shiva Temple is situated at Ambotia Tea Estate which is around 5 kms from Kurseong town.



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