

Shrimad Rajchandra Mission

Shri Dharampur Tirth



The Majestic
MAHAVIR PRAASAD





An Architectural Marvel

The ethereal Mahavir Praasad, atop the highest peak of Shri Dharampur Tirth, is a pulsating presence. A deeply beautiful and peaceful experience.

- Constructed under the guidance of Pujya Gurudevshri Rakeshji in accordance with Jain scriptures, shilp shastra meaning scriptures related to sculpture, and vastu shastra meaning scriptures related to architecture
- Built in the traditional Nagara architectural style
- Copper used instead of steel in the temple base to maintain harmony with the Earth's magnetic field
- Built using around **2,00,000** cubic feet of superior quality white Makrana marble
- Jinmandir Complex covers over **1,00,000** sq. ft.
- Seats over **2,500** people at a time
- Plaza spread over **2.5** acres
- An exquisitely carved plinth of elephants with various depictions
- Traditional non-RCC method of construction that withstands earthquake magnitude **7.0** on the Richter scale
- Engineered to last several millennia

Pure Pratimajis

The garbhagruh (sanctum) is the heart of the temple. It is a highly charged space radiating divinity through seven enthroned soul-stirring pratimajis (idols). In addition to a 55-inch pratimaji of Bhagwan Mahavir as the principal deity, Bhagwan Rushabhdev, Bhagwan Shantinath, Bhagwan Neminath, Bhagwan Parshwanath, the present Tirthankar (Omniscient Lord) Bhagwan Simandharaswami and the future Tirthankar Bhagwan Padmanabh have also been consecrated. Thus, Tirthankars of the past, present and future, all sanctify the Jinmandir.







Pristine Pillars

The Jinmandir is supported by 108 intricately carved pillars, square and octagonal in shape, each etched with a unique design. Inspiring souls from Bhagwan Mahavir's time including the Lord's 11 Gandhars (chief disciples), 24 sadhus (monks), 24 sadhvis (nuns), 24 shravaks (laymen), 24 shravikas (laywomen), 9 souls who will become future Tirthankars and 64 Indras have been sculpted into the pillars.





Domes and Ceilings

The domes and ceilings of the Jinmandir are a nod to the timeless beauty of classic Indian temple architecture. There are 19 samrans (outer domes) and 2 ghumats (inner domes). 84 ornate ceilings, each with a different design or theme, as if whirling above in all exuberance. The inner circumference of the main dome showcases the five kalyanaks (auspicious events) of Bhagwan Mahavir.



Arcade of Arches and Fabulous Flooring

A marvellous melange of ancient heritage and contemporary design, 108 torans (arches) offer a royal welcome into the Mahavir Praasad. Adding to the devotional fervour, contrasting the milky white marble, is an array comprising 1,75,00 colourful embedded semi-precious and marble pieces across the entire temple complex flooring.



Elegant Exterior

The fluttering red and white dhwaja (flag) at a height of 108 feet stands tall over the highest shikhar (spire) directly above Bhagwan Mahavir's shrine. Over 300 miniature shikhars form part of the elegant carving adorning the 5 main shikhars. The exterior walls of the temple, known as mandovar, feature a tapestry of carvings. Spanning 2.5 acres, a pathway for performing circumambulations has been constructed around the complex.



Gallant Gajpeeth

Sculpted around the front steps is a unique plinth of elephants. Among the exquisite array one can behold 16 depictions showcasing key historical events and inspirational stories based on Bhagwan Mahavir's teachings.





14 auspicious dreams seen by Queen Trishla, Bhagwan's mother



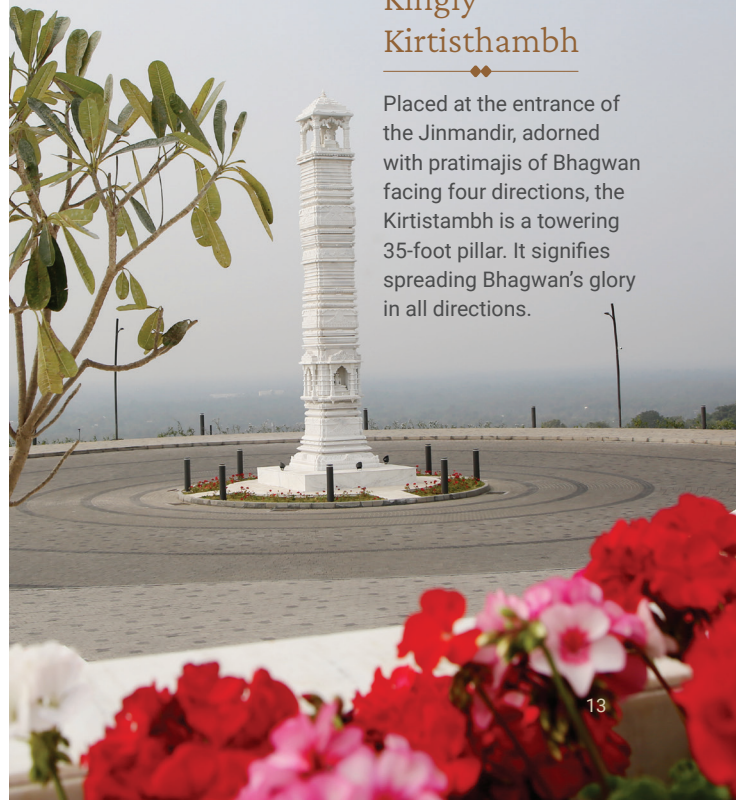
Hull and Vihull embraced renunciation after the death of their elephant Sechanak



The example of Madhubindu highlighting the dangers of sensual indulgence

Kingly Kirtistambh

Placed at the entrance of the Jinmandir, adorned with pratimajis of Bhagwan facing four directions, the Kirtistambh is a towering 35-foot pillar. It signifies spreading Bhagwan's glory in all directions.



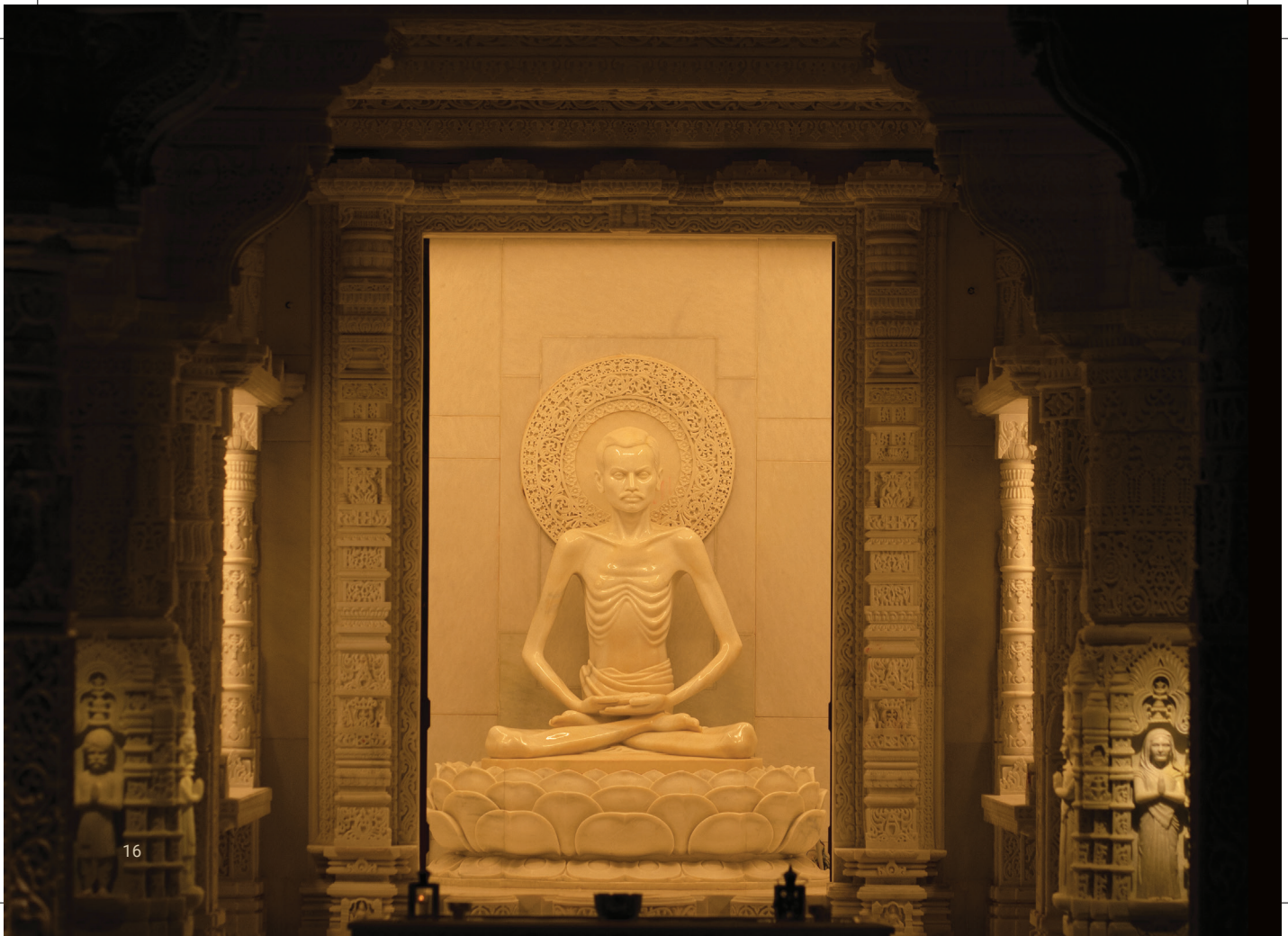
The Glorious GURUMANDIR

Slip into Sublime Silence

A flight of stairs takes one beneath the Jinmandir, to the meditative expanse of the Gurumandir, the royal seat of Shrimad Rajchandraji, who is the guiding force behind the Mission. Like an enchanting magnet, Shrimadji's idyllic presence pulls one within.









Peaceful Pratimajis

Enthroned on a blooming lotus, the 72-inch idol of Shrimadji in lotus posture graces the sanctum. In addition, four idols of Shrimad Rajchandraji – two idols in lotus posture and two gold gilded idols in standing posture have been specially consecrated.

Stepping outside the sanctum, on either side, is Shrimadji's spiritual legacy of great literary works. On one side is a compilation of all His writings titled Shrimad Rajchandra. It is also fondly known as Vachanamrutji. On the other side is His magnum opus, Shri Atmasiddhi Shastra.



Shri Saubhagyabhai



Shri Lalluji Muni



Shri Ambalabhai



Shri Juthabhai

Pillars of Pious Devotion

The 150 pillars of the Gurumandir will transport one to the age of Shrimad Rajchandraji. His blessed parents are sculpted into columns outside the sanctum, while His four exceptional devotees are chiselled into the pillars supporting the magnificent central dome. Nine male and nine female seekers who recognised and revered Shrimadji's exalted state embellish the passages. Each shared cherished experiences and a special bond with the Master, while following His footsteps.



Tranquil Tavdi

An architectural marvel, the tavdi is a huge 30 x 30 feet dome comprising 154 carved pieces of stone, locked together without any binding agent. Being pillarless, it provides an unobstructed view of Shrimadji's divine countenance.



Night View

The temple resembles a stellar constellation descended on earth, glowing with an ethereal brilliance under the dark night sky. Various lighting schemes create an elegant yet grand aesthetic vision. The external charm of the temple invites the seeker inside, where the true glory of the Lord can be experienced.



About the Mission

Shrimad Rajchandra Mission Dharampur is a global manifestation of Pujiya Gurudevshi's vision and efforts dedicated to the holistic well-being of humanity. A spiritual movement for inner transformation through wisdom, meditation and selfless service, the organisation encompasses 108 centres across five continents.

The Mission Statement is:

Realise one's True Self and serve others selflessly.



International Headquarters

Nestled on a quiet hillock in the outskirts of Dharampur in Southern Gujarat, India, is Shrimad Rajchandra Ashram, the Mission's International Headquarters.

Spread over 223 acres, this lush spiritual sanctuary is dedicated to the pursuit of a higher existence. Life in the Ashram is at once an experience of solitude and community living, inner growth and outer extension, silence and celebration.



World's Tallest Statue of Shrimad Rajchandraji

The Ashram's spirit converges in the amphitheatre where the majestic 34-foot idol – the world's tallest statue of Shrimad Rajchandraji, towers over the spiritual valley. This is an invigoratingly powerful site for a range of large-scale events, spiritual activities and celebrations.



Satsang and Meditation Complex

The iconic satsang and meditation complex is a powerful site to uncover the hidden depths of spirituality and get elevated. It is in the shape of a lantern with a capacity of over 10,000 seekers.



Spaces for Solitude

Instrumental in unwinding, reflecting and turning within, lush themed gardens and green open spaces are designed across the Ashram. Take in the natural beauty and sacred environs, restore the synergy of mind, body and spirit, and retreat to inner peace and quiet through meditation.





Dining and Other Facilities

The Dining Complex

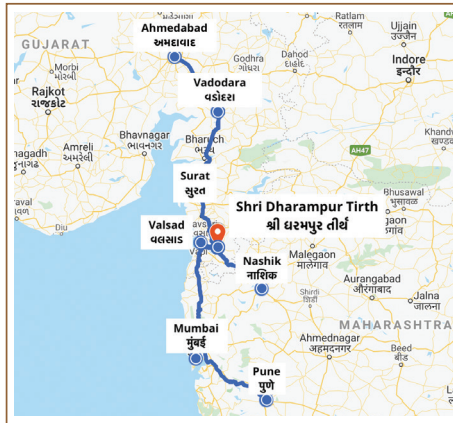
A modern kitchen facility that can serve 10,000 seekers in each meal.

There are 12 dining halls spread across two levels.

Cafeterias

The cafeterias serve refreshments including various products from Raj Uphaar – the Mission's women empowerment initiative.

How to Reach Shri Dharampur Tirth



Shrimad Rajchandra Ashram
Mohangadh, Dharampur – 396050
District - Valsad, Gujarat, India

Contact us:

+91 7285040000 - 9:00 am - 6:00 pm (IST)

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Driving Distances

Mumbai:	210 kms
Pune:	349 kms
Surat:	120 kms
Ahmedabad:	352 kms

Nearest Train Stations

Valsad (Western):	31 kms
Nashik (Central):	125 kms

Nearest Airports

Surat:	120 kms
Mumbai:	210 kms
Vadodra:	230 kms
Ahmedabad:	352 kms

A Tour of the Ashram

Begin at the Welcome Centre. Go via the Clock Tower towards the Dining Complex and visit these spots:

1. Welcome Centre
2. Jinmandir and Gurumandir
3. Amphitheatre
4. Spaces for Solitude
5. Satsang and Meditation Complex
6. Divine Shop and Raj Uphaar
7. Dining Complex
8. Cafeteria
9. Residential Areas
10. Community Garden
11. Large Event Area

To stay at the Ashram overnight, please contact: +91 7285040000 (9:00 am - 6:00 pm) (IST)







Spiritual Activities

Pujya Gurudevshri has revitalised the path to Self-realisation. Each spiritual activity taps into a deeper dimension, allowing one to bloom into an awakened existence.

♦ Wisdom

Through empowering wisdom, He kindles clarity of mind, purity of heart, and discovery of the self within listeners.

♦ Meditation

Through a unique blend of meditation retreats, specially termed as Sadhana Bhattis, explore the inner universe and unveil its vastness.

♦ SRMD Yoga

Asana, pranayama and mudra, underscore SRMD Yoga, a multi-level journey augmenting holistic well-being from experimental to experiential levels of yoga.

♦ Shrimad Rajchandra Global Youth

Through the 5-S programme of satsang, sadhana, seva, sanskruti, and sports across 92 youth centres, He steers the youth to higher goals.

♦ Shrimad Rajchandra Divinetouch

Through Shrimad Rajchandra Divinetouch – a global chain of value-education classes for children, spread across 251 centres, He enables the blossoming of their fullest potential.

Social Initiatives

Shrimad Rajchandra Love and Care is a unique 10-fold benevolent programme with over 50 high-quality projects powered by motivated volunteers. Enjoying special consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council, this international initiative has touched millions globally.

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| 1. Health Care | 6. Community Care |
| 2. Educational Care | 7. Humanitarian Care |
| 3. Child Care | 8. Animal Care |
| 4. Woman Care | 9. Environmental Care |
| 5. Tribal Care | 10. Emergency Relief Care |

◆ Shrimad Rajchandra Hospital

A state-of-the-art 250-bed multi-specialty charitable hospital in Dharampur with the latest technology and leading doctors.

◆ Shrimad Rajchandra Vidyapeeth

A modern science college, a centre of educational excellence, is the first and only one across 238 villages in South Gujarat.

◆ Shrimad Rajchandra Jivamaitridham

A secure shelter for hundreds of animals, and a one-of-its-kind 150-bed animal hospital for their medical care.

◆ Raj Uphaar

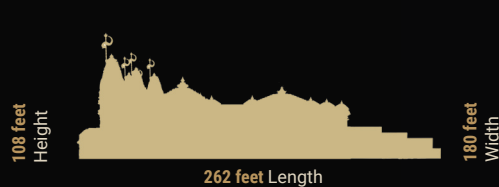
Empowering underprivileged women towards self-reliance by producing snacks, fragrances and utility products.











Shrimad Rajchandra Hospital



Shrimad Rajchandra Vidyapeeth



	20,000+ Carved Stones		Over 1,300 human and celestial figures sculpted
	150+ Inspiring Stories		108 Pillars in Jinmandir + 150 Pillars in Gurumandir
	5 Shikhars		19 Samrans + 2 Ghumats
	Over 225 Ceilings		108 Torans

Over 10,000 unique designs
Over 500 beams measuring 11 feet or more
33 deeply carved wooden doors
Over 50,000 marble flooring slabs
1,75,000 semi-precious and marble pieces in inlay flooring
22,000 tonnes of concrete
15,000 tonnes of stone



श्री धरमपुर तीर्थ

A temple is the heart of religion, the epicentre of spirituality, the home of God, and a place of collective worship. Its divine magnetic field energises and recharges us. Through the charged vibrations, we experience peace and quietude. A temple inspires us to lead a pure life, and constantly uphold moral, religious and spiritual values. It fosters universal love and compassion.

-Pooja Gurudevshri



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