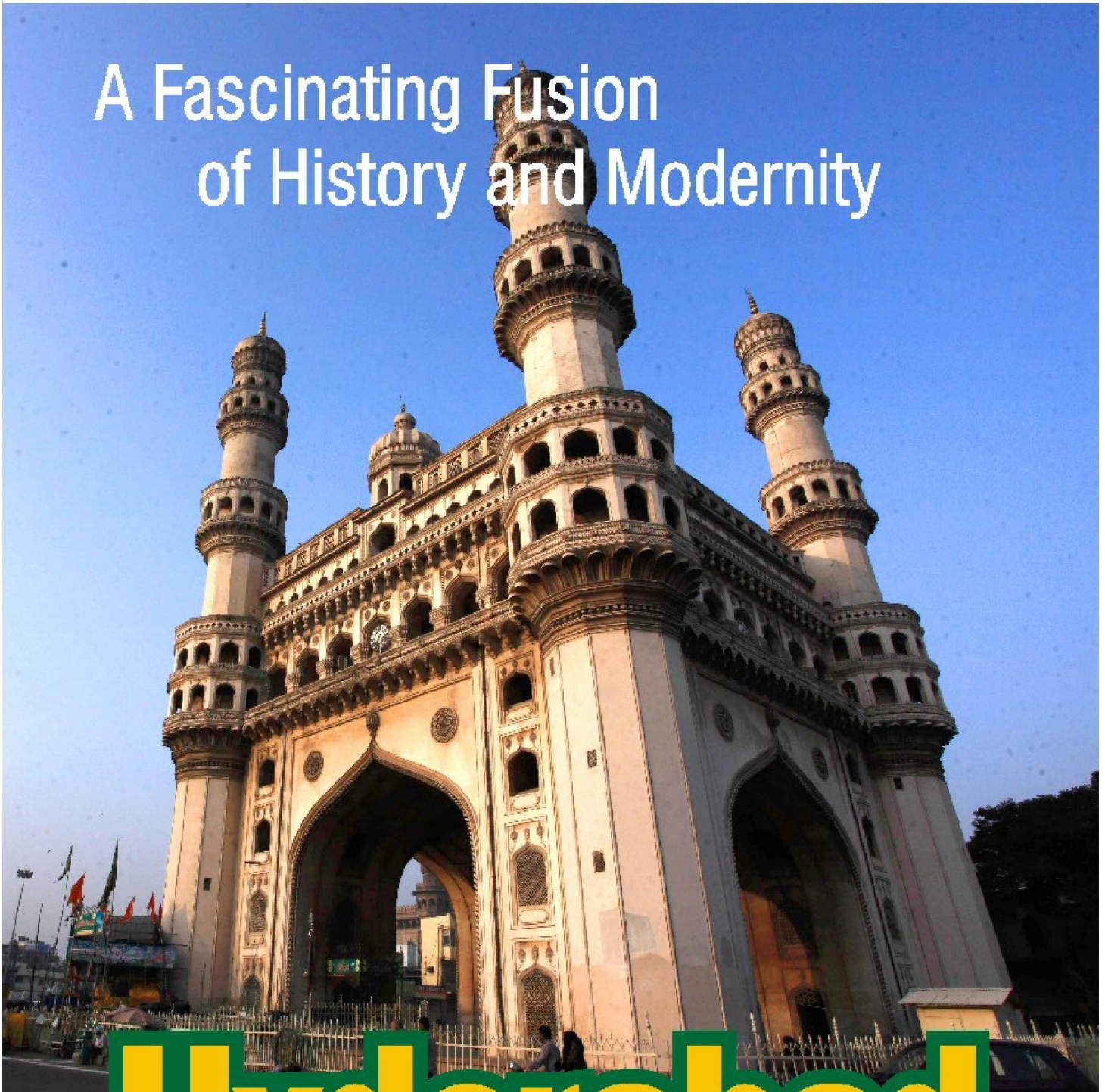




A Fascinating Fusion of History and Modernity



Hyderabad has been a favorite destination for travelers and it is not hard to understand why. The city with its glorious rich history, is a fascinating blend of the past and present. It is a perfect introduction to the composite cultures of an ancient land- a window to the kaleidoscope that is India. Hyderabad offers many attractions for its visitors. Its multifaceted existence is tantalizing and can entice the traveler into a fascinating journey of discovery. Hyderabad's unhurried pace and natural beauty invite you to slow down. Stroll through time at sites chronicling 400 years of history. Meander through gardens and parks that play symphony to nature's chorus. Bask in hospitality that remains true to its famed traditional roots. So get set for a timeless encounter with the historic grandeur, the rich culture and the royal heritage that the enchanting pearl city offers.

TSTDC Facilities

Taramati Baradari revived by TSTDC has become the centerpiece of an ultra modern convention and culture complex. Haritha Hotel has 30 Luxurious Rooms and Multi Cuisine Restaurant fully air-conditioned with 85 persons capacity, where the food is just right. Saqi Bar is a 50 seater A/C Bar that literally keeps the spirits up. A unique Open air auditorium- with 1600 seating capacity, a banquet hall of 250 persons capacity; a Conference Hall with 100 and 60 persons capacity. an





Taramati Baradari

Once upon a time , during the Qutb Shahi days, this stately pavilion used to reverberate with music and dance whenever Taramati, the beautiful courtesan of the 7th Sultan of Golconda, Abdullah Qutub Shah entertained. Located about a mile from Golconda Fort this double storied square shaped structure with 12 doorways stands as a symbol princely patronage. Revived by the TSTDC, it has become a centerpiece of an ultra modern convention and culture complex with an open air amphitheatre, a multi-cuisine restaurant and luxury accommodation.



Charminar

Stand spellbound as you gaze at the breathtaking beauty of the stunning monument. A most striking edifice, a singular landmark in Hyderabad, is the Charminar, a historic monument with 4 graceful minarets. Built two years after the founding of the city, to mark the end of an epidemic in the city, it is often referred to as the arc de triomphe of the east. Its central structure soars to height of 180 feet. Charminar has 45 prayer spaces and a mosque in it. Visit Charminar. you will cherish the experience forever.



Laad Bazaar

A unique shopping experience. unlike any you have ever imagined. Laad Bazaar is the bustling shopping centre of the old city, tucked away in one of the streets leading away from Charminar. It is world famous for its attractive traditional Hyderabad stone studded bangles in a mind boggling selection of colours and designs. The old bazaar also throbs with hectic trading of pearls, lac bangles and a glittering selection of accessories that would adorn and enrich any bride' trousseau.



Mecca Masjid

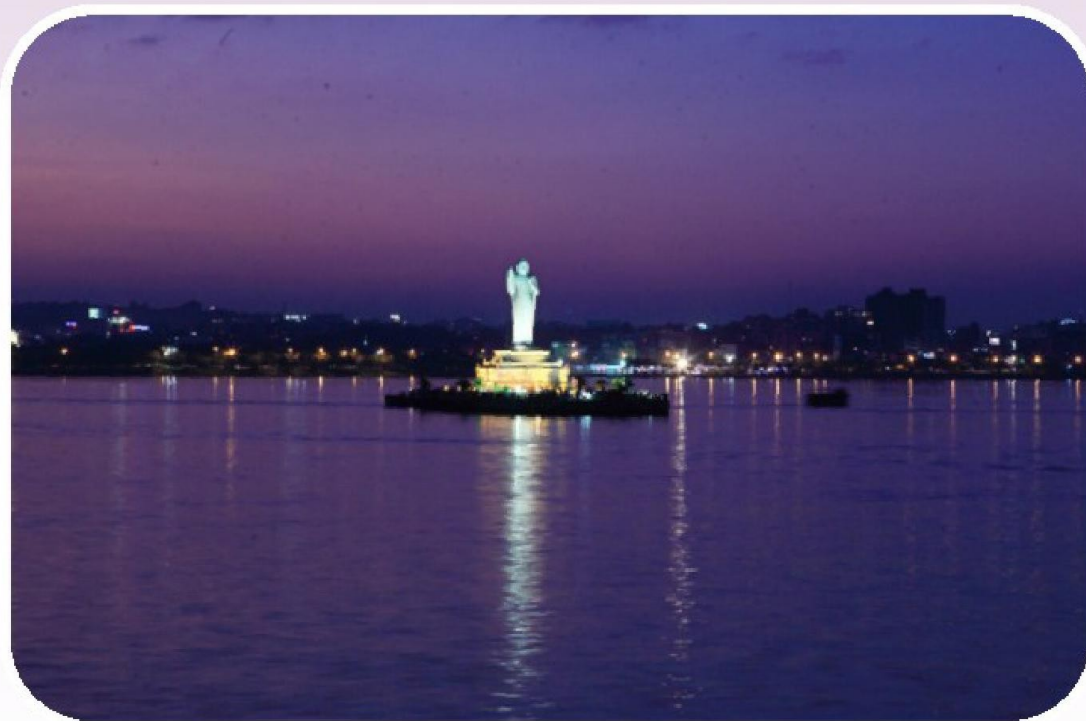
Wonder at the timeless



statuary. Of special interest is the Velied Rebecca, and the Jade Room containing priceless objects, which belonged to ancient Indian rulers like Aurangazeb, Tipu Sultan, Shah Jahan and the Asaf Jahs of Hyderabad.

Hussain Sagar

The Hussain Sagar Lake bridges the cities of Hyderabad and Secunderabad, known as the 'twin cities'. It is a quiet and placid lake built by Hazrat Hussain Shah Wali on a tributary of the River Musi, during the time of the great builder of the dynasty, Ibrahim Quli Qutb Shah in 1562, to meet the water and irrigation needs of the city.



TSTDC Facilities: Visitors coming to Hyderabad can enjoy boating facilities at Hussain Sagar Lake. TSTDC offers two pleasure cruisers available for hire that can take visitors around the lake and also give them a closer view of the Buddha statue in the Lake. Besides pleasure cruisers

NTR Gardens

A leisure and entertainment centre adjoining the Hussain Sagar Lake, the NTR Gardens house a Memorial of Late N.T. Rama Rao, former Chief Minister, with an exemplary piece of architecture. The sprawling gardens, set up in an area of 36 acres, offers a serene atmosphere and yet provides recreation facilities such as Machaan Tree, Japanese Garden, Car Café', Souvenir Shops, Fruit Restaurant and Children's playing area. A mono rail system takes children around the Garden. It's an amusement park with a difference... see it to believe it.



Shilparamam

A charming village of arts and crafts it is the most sought after destination to explore the world of Indian crafts and enjoy the thrill of shopping and relaxing amidst sylvan nature and a rustic ambience. Located in Madhapur, this 30 acre village brims over with a wealth of arts and crafts from all corners of the country. Shilparamam, is unrivalled in its uniqueness, as a fabulous place for artists from all parts of India to showcase their talent and find great encouragement to pursue their traditional occupation and exhibit their talent. Take home something essentially Indian. A Shilparamam souvenir.



choices both non-vegetarian and vegetarian catering to all tastes. The restaurant boasts an air conditioned Bar offering moderately priced drinks and snacks. One can have a lovely panoramic view of the lake and the rock formations surrounding the lake from the restaurant and bar. The food is fresh and cooked to order ensuring a quality dining experience in a most original location.

TSTDC Boating Unit: Mechanized boat - Adult Rs. 30/-, Child Rs. 20; Pedal Boat (per head) Rs. 25; Angling Charges for 5 hours Rs. 50/-. Ph: 040-23110523/23555072

Nehru Zoological Park

Spanning 300 lush green acres, the Nehru Zoological Park is a must for nature lovers. It has over 250 species of animals and birds, most of which are kept in conditions as close to their natural habitats as possible. This is the first zoo to create moated enclosures for animals. The Lion Safari Park, Natural History Museum and Children's Train are the added attractions. TSTDC runs an ice-cream parlour and restaurant here.



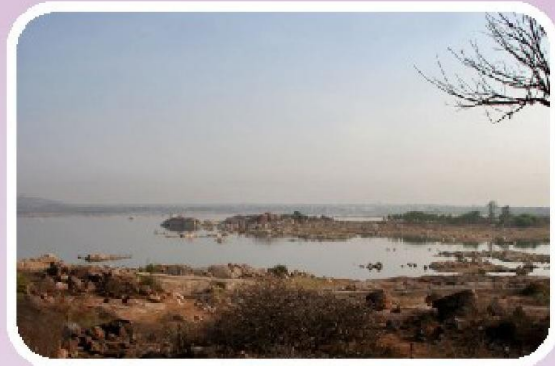
Balaji Temple, Chilkur

Fast becoming one of the most popular temples in Telangana, the temple with



Shamirpet

Shamirpet is a major tourist spot close to the twin cities of Hyderabad and Secunderabad. Located about 24 kilometers from the Secunderabad, this beautiful place is easily accessible. It is renowned for its natural beauty and scenic water body. The Shamirpet Lake is surrounded by lush greenery that is home to the famous Shamirpet Deer Park. The lake is also a great venue for



people who love bird watching. Today, visitors coming to Shamirpet have the luxury of staying at the Shamirpet Lake Resort operated by the TSTDC. This resorts has been refurbished at the cost of 1crore rupees and comprises of 12 well-furnished and modern cottages, multi-cuisine restaurant, sculpture park and spellbinding landscaping. In addition, the resort will soon be equipped with boating facilities, adventure sports, spa and gym to give visitors a wonderful and memorable experience.

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