

Logistic Information

Guwahati is the largest city in Assam, Northeast India. It used to be the capital before it moved to the planned city of Dispur.

Excavations trace the origins of the city to around the 6th century and it was the capital of Assam until the 10th century. Currently, the city has a population of around one million, making it the largest city in the state and its main center for shopping and business, attracting people from all over the North East India as well as from Eastern Bhutan. The slow, meandering Brahmaputra River is a focal point of the downtown while the lush hills of the Shillong Plateau provide a verdant backdrop for the suburbs. Of late there has been something of a boom in the construction of shopping malls and high quality condominiums, which has helped raise the economic profile of the city.

Climate: Guwahati's climate is subtropical. Summers last here from April to May, monsoons from June to September and winters from October to March. Temperatures here approximately range between 19°C and 26°C. 161.3 cm is the average yearly precipitation level here. Humidity is more than 80/90% often.

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By Air: Lokopriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport at Borjhar about 20 km west of the city center. Air connectivity has improved considerably in the last couple of years and all major domestic airlines fly into Guwahati except Go Air and Paramount Airlines. Indian connects Guwahati internationally to Bangkok once a week. Guwahati airport averages about 20 arrivals and departures a day. Guwahati is connected directly to Delhi, Jaipur, Mumbai, Kolkata, Hyderabad, Bangalore and other major cities in India by different airlines. A modernization plan is underway at Guwahati airport right now and once it is completed, the AAI plans to make Guwahati a hub of air connectivity.

Guwahati has three railway stations serving it. The major station is Guwahati Junction. Two minor stations are Kamakhya (adjacent to the NF Railways headquarters) and New Guwahati (for freight services) located towards west and east respectively. Major trains serving Guwahati are Guwahati Rajdhani Express, Saraighat Express, North-East Express, Guwahati-Jorhat Town Jan Shatabdi Express, Awadh Assam Express, Kanchanjunga Express, Guwahati-Chennai-Egmore Express, Guwahati Trivandrum Central Express, Guwahati-Bangalore City Express, Guwahati-Ernakulam Express, Guwahati-Secundrabad Express, Guwahati-Puri Express, Guwahati-Jammu Tawai Lohit Express, Guwahati-Dadar Express, Guwahati-Okha Express, Guwahati-Bikaner-Jodhpur Express, Brahmaputra Mail, Guwahati-Kolkata Garib Rath, Howrah-Dibrugarh Kamrup Express, Dibrugarh-via Guwahati-Amritsar Express.

Guwahati is very well connected with adjoining regions via bus services. Two nodal points, Adabari and Paltan Bazaar, provide bus services to towns and cities in Assam and adjoining states. Some of these services are run by the government agency ASTC, whereas a vast majority of them are run by private companies. "Night supers", or buses that run overnight, and luxury coaches, are very popular.

Training Venue: Shilpgram (PI read the attached file for detail information about Shilpgram): It is about 24 KM from Airport and 7 KM from The Railway Station. Bus, Auto or Car services are available from Airport/Railway station on. Car hiring charges from Airport to Shilpgram will normally cost between Rs. 500 to Rs. 600. The auto will charge Rs. 300. From Railway station the Car hiring charge is Rs.150 and Auto is Rs. 100.00

Lohitmukh: It is about 350 KM from Guwahati. It is located very close to Arunachal Pradesh. The team will travel by private buses.