



## SO WE MEET AGAIN

Come October and I find myself on the Egypt on the Nile Tour with 30 students and two teachers. Our flight was delayed by a couple of hours but that had not dampened the enthusiasm of the youth brigade that was with me on board, the eldest among whom was 13 years old. We met our guide Mohammad at the Airport who welcomed us in Cairo and from here began a memorable tour of seven days that took us to places like Giza, Alexandria, Aswan, Komombo and finally to Luxor.

We began the tour with a visit to the Egyptian Museum of Antiquities, the store-house of Egyptian History, artifacts, larger than life sculptures, treasures and mummified bodies of famous and popular pharos. We then checked into our hotel, had dinner in an Indian restaurant and hit the sack early to rest our bodies in order to wake up fresh and leave for Alexandria the next day. Before we departed for Alexandria we visited the Three Pyramids of Giza taking an internal view of the third pyramid and experiencing a walk therein. Alexandria, on the Mediterranean Coast was a well planned and developed city and once again we found ourselves walking in a tomb, not in a pyramid but a Roman Catacomb. We also visited the Roman Theatre which at one time was the main source of entertainment when Alexandria became the Capital city of Egypt. We returned to Giza to take our train to Aswan. Our train was very comfortable and private. Dinner and breakfast was served on the train. After a good night sleep, we arrived in Aswan to visit the historical sites and take our Cruise on the Nile.

In Aswan we visited the Unfinished Oblique and the High Dam. In the evening we enjoyed a Sound and Light Show at the Philae Temple. The next day our Cruise took off and we were sailing on the Nile watching the blue waters from the sun-deck. We landed in Komombo and visited the awesome temple of Sobek and Horus and then went about buying Gale bios for the Galebio party that night, wherein we all danced to the tune of Egyptian music. The next morning we landed in Edfu and in horse carriages we went to visit the temple of Horus. The Cruise finally halted in Luxor where we checked out to see the Valley of the Kings, Hatshepsut temple, the Karnack Temple and the Luxor Temple before taking our train to Giza. We arrived in Giza the next morning and left for the Khan el Khalil Market. We then left for the airport to take our flight home.

Another historical walk on the sands of time came to an end, however memories still linger and I hope to get back with the group for another tour in the coming year.

## Taking Maharashtra to the world



*In the Golden Maharashtra year - 2010, Creative Outdoor Development Education (CODE) takes this opportunity to acknowledge personalities in the Educational field that have promoted Maharashtra in the last destination. In this issue we feature*

**Mrs. Alice Baretto, Principal, Bombay Scottish School, Powai.**



A woman of substance, quiet, cool and yet very methodical. She has continued the trend set by her predecessors that the best way of learning history is to visit the destination and obtain first hand information. The collected information has to be recorded at the destination

itself, making it a learning experience. In her short tenure she has promoted Maharashtra intensely. As a person she has been very active and led from the front by participating in educational tours and having utmost faith in her teachers and organizers to ensure quality education was imparted on the tour. Though our interaction with her has been very limited, we believe that her scope of education in the coming years will be much beyond Maharashtra as she will be connecting with the rest of India and will take on the world in her pursuit for excellence.

## JET AIRWAYS TO FLY NON STOP TO MILAN



Flying into Italy non-stop is now possible thanks to the Ministry of Civil Aviation approving a

proposal by Jet Airways (India) Ltd to fly to Milan in Italy and has also given its permission for the carrier to increase its frequency of flights to short-haul international destinations such as Dubai, Bangkok and Colombo from various Indian cities. This approval last week will allow Jet Airways to access the largely untapped India-Italy market, which is currently served through indirect connections. Mounting losses had forced Italian government-owned Alitalia to withdraw from the Indian market in March 2008.

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**THE MAHARASHTRA BEACH ESCAPADES**

In our endeavor to promote Maharashtra in its 50<sup>th</sup> Golden Jubilee year, we take you to the unexplored beaches of Ratnagiri and Konkan to savor the taste, cuisine and true culture of Maharashtra.

**Day 01 : Mumbai – Murud Janjira**

Morning, leave for Murud Janjira by road. Arrive Murud Janjira and check in at the hotel. Evening visit Garambi Dam and Janjira Fort. Dinner and Overnight in the hotel.

**Day 02 : Murud Janjira**

Morning after breakfast leave to visit the Ahmedganj Palace. Also visit the Shri Siddhivinayaka temple and its pristine Nandgoan beach. Dinner and Overnight at the hotel.

**Day 03 : Murud Janjira – Murud Harnai (Dapoli)**

Morning after breakfast leave for Murud Harnai's Karde Beach (153 km) Arrive and check in. Afternoon, leave for a visit to the Anjarle Ganapati temple. Also visit Harnai Port to see the auction of fish. Dinner & Overnight at the hotel.

**Day 04 : Murud Harnai (Dapoli)**

Early morning around 0600 hours leave for a Dolphin Safari by boat. After lunch visit Panhalekaji Hindu and Buddhist Caves (20 km) located on the banks of the "Kotjai" river. Dinner and Overnight at the hotel.

**Day 05 : Murud Harnai (Dapoli) - Mumbai**

Morning after breakfast check out and leave for Mumbai. Lunch enroute. Evening, arrive School. Tour ends.



Italy has a lot to give its tourists, a country offering visitors a vast heritage of art, architecture, history and epicurean wonders. Stroll through ancient cities and you will become part of Italy's history. Visit quaint medieval towns, peaceful hill side villages, or experience the energy of a metropolitan city. With 44 sites, Italy has more Unesco World Heritage sites than any other country on earth. Its cities of art, Rome, Venice and Florence, have been attracting visitors for centuries. Milan, the country's financial hub, has become the gateway to Italy with all major airlines operating in this city. The latest Airline to join the Bandwagon is our very own Jet Air flying directly to Milan.

No other city other than Rome had been the attention centre of the world for such a long period. The most



impressive features in Rome comprehend the Trevi fountain, the Spanish Steps, the Roman heritage sights such as the Pantheon, the Coliseum and the Roman Forum; make sure not to miss a stroll through the Vatican City with the incredibly huge St. Peter's Cathedral and the unrivalled Vatican Museum.



Venice is a dream that shines on the waters. . This unique urban masterpiece has canals instead of streets, boats instead of buses, and ornate bridges instead of subways. A trip to Venice provides an unforgettable glimpse of life's defining moments played out on watery avenues.



Florence is considered to be the Renaissance capital of the world. Located in the heart of Tuscany, tourist can find miles of vineyards, rolling hills and mountaintop castles. If in Florence also visit nearby Pisa and experience the walk all the way to the bell tower. Putting together these destinations and taking off on a holiday to Italy is perhaps what dreams are made of.



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