



## VOLUNTEER AT OKHALDHUNGA – 14 DAYS

### Detailed Itinerary

#### ||Day 1|Arrive in Kathmandu|

You will be met by our representative at the airport and transferred to the hotel.

Overnight at Hotel [-/-/-]

#### ||Day 2|Sightseeing tour in Kathmandu|

Today you will be picked up from the hotel for your full day sightseeing of Kathmandu city, Swayambhunath, Pashupatinath and Boudhanath.

Old Kathmandu City: One of the worst earthquake affected heritage sites, you will see the ruins from the earthquake of Kathmandu Durbar Square.

Pashupatinath: Situated 5 Kilometers east of Kathmandu city, Pashupatinath temple is one of the holiest Hindu temple dedicated to Lord Shiva. Situated amidst a lush green natural setting on the bank of the sacred Bagmati River, the temple built in pagoda style has gilded roof and richly carved silver doors. Visitors will be permitted to view the temple from the east bank of Rivers Bagmati, entrance in the temple being strictly forbidden to all non-Hindus. Pashupatinath is the center of annual pilgrimage on the day of Shivaratri which falls in the month of February / March. Behind the temples are the cremation grounds. Pashupatinath suffered little damage from the earthquake.

Swayambhunath: Located approximately 4 km/2.5 miles, this Buddhist stupa is said to be 2000 years old, the stupa which forms the main structure is composed of a solid hemisphere of brick and earth supporting a lofty conical spire capped by a pinnacle of copper gilt. Painted on the four



sided base of the spire are the all seeing eyes of Lord Buddha. This hill is a mosaic of small Chaityas and Pagodas temples.

Boudhanath: This Stupa, eight kilometers east of Kathmandu City is one of the biggest in the world of its kind. It stands with four pairs of eyes in the four cardinal direction keeping watch for righteous behavior and human prosperity. King Man Dev built this Buddhist stupa at the advice of Goddess Mani Jogini. It is built on an octagonal base inset with prayer wheels. Houses of Lamas ring the shrine or Buddhist priests.

Overnight at Hotel [B/-/-]

### **|| Day 3 | Visit Bhaktapur Durbar Square |**

Bhaktapur is the third major city in the Kathmandu Valley, and we will visit its Durbar Square, which, although larger than Kathmandu's has fewer temples due to an earthquake in 1934. We also visit the Nyatapola Temple, which at 98ff. height, is not only the highest temple in the valley but also one of the best examples of traditional Nepali architecture. A major German funded project brought pavements and sewers, but Bhaktapur is still the most distinctly medieval of the three cities. The main occupations are weaving, pottery and fanning, and the houses are traditionally of brick with intricate wood carving for decoration.

After the sightseeing, we will brief and prepare you for your volunteer work.

Overnight at Hotel [B/-/-]

### **|| Day 4 | Drive to Okhaldhunga |**



After breakfast drive to Okhaldhunga. The drive takes approximately eight hours and passes through scenic mountain landscape and the remains of the earthquake along the way.

Overnight at Camp [B/L/D]

#### **|| Day 5 | Full day Community Service |**

Rebuilding of local School

Overnight at Camp [B/L/D]

#### **|| Day 6 | Full day Community service |**

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Overnight at Camp [B/L/D]

#### **|| Day 7 | Full day Community service |**

Rebuilding of local School

Overnight at Camp [B/L/D]

#### **|| Day 8 | Full day Community service |**

Rebuilding of local School

Overnight at Camp [B/L/D]



**|| Day 9 | Full day Community service |**

Rebuilding of local School

Overnight at Camp [B/L/D]

**|| Day 10 | Full day Community service |**

Rebuilding of local School

Overnight at Camp [B/L/D]

**|| Day 11 | Transfer to Kathmandu |**

Drive back to Kathmandu. Rest of the day is at leisure.

Overnight at Hotel [B/-/-]

**|| Day 12 | Departure |**

Transfer to airport for your final departure.

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