

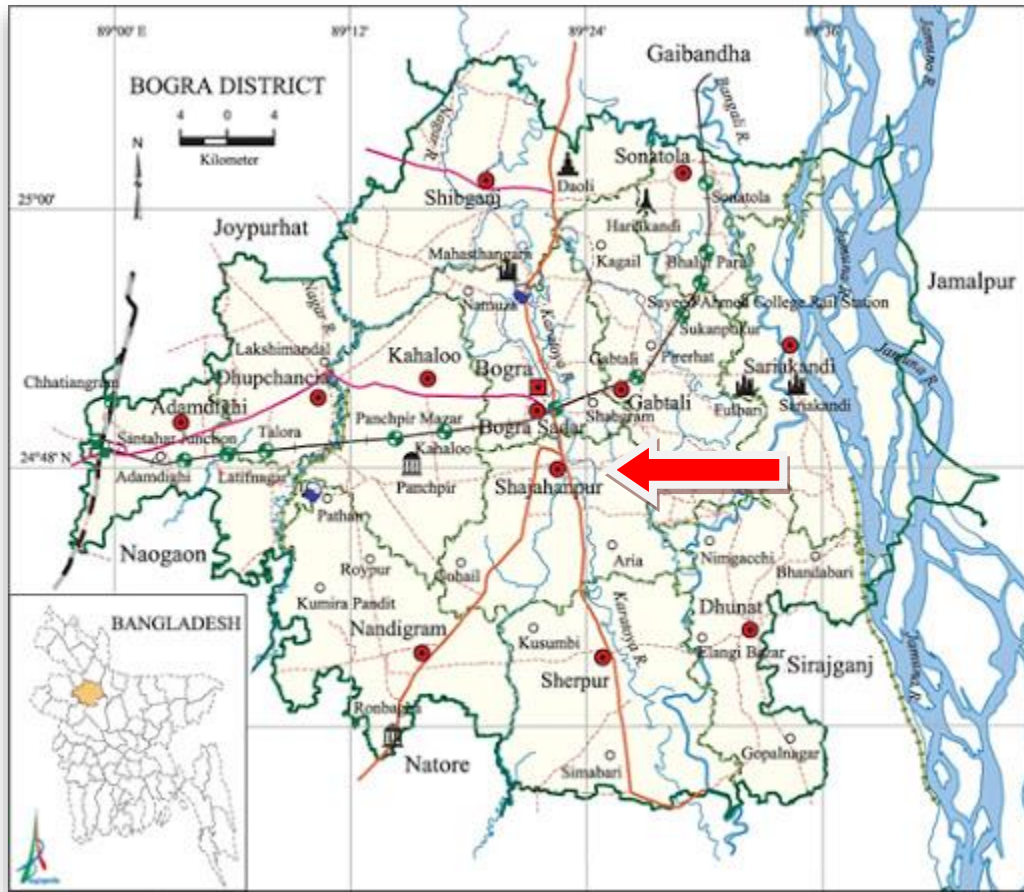
## GHEL ECO TOURISM: BOGRA



### **Bogra at a Glance**

Bogra is the oldest city of Bengal. It is also located near the big rivers Jamuna and Brahmaputra. Bogra, officially known as Bogura, is a major city located in the Bogra District, Rajshahi Division, Bangladesh. It is a major commercial hub. The Bogra bridge connects the Rajshahi Division and Rangpur Division and also the largest City in Rajshahi. This city is also known as the capital of North Bengal (উত্তরবঙ্গ) of Bangladesh. Shatmatha is the heart of this city. Bogra is named after Nasiruddin Bughra Khan, the Governor of Bengal from 1279 to 1282[2] and the son of Delhi Sultan Ghiyasuddin Balban.

## Map of Shahjahanpur- Bogra District



## History

Bogra is considered the oldest city of Bengal, dating to the reign of the Great Emperor Ashoka, who ruled India from 268 to 232 BCE. When Ashoka conquered the Bengal (Bongo) region, he founded Bogra and called it Pundra Bardhan. This is supported by the discovery in October 2008 of an ancient engraved stone believed to be produced in the Gupta era near Sura Masjid at Ghoraghat Upazila in Dinajpur. During the Bangladesh War of Independence, the area witnessed the Battle of Bogra, a fierce conflict between the guerrilla units of the Bangladesh Forces under Sector 7 and the Pakistan Army.

## Facilities at GHIL Eco Tourism Centre

- Meeting places for 200 people.
- Meeting places for 10/20/30 people in different rooms
- Guesthouse
- Accommodation facility for 40 people

- Air Condition
- Free wifi
- LED television
- Restaurant for 200 people
- Catering services & Buffet Lunch/Dinner or any kinds of party for 400 people
- Fresh air
- Fresh food
- Solar powered electricity

## **Tourism**

Bogra is home to Mahasthangarh, the earliest known urban archaeological site in Bangladesh, as well as the village of Mahasthan in Shibganj thana of Bogra District. This site contains the remains of Pundranagara (or Paundravardhanapura), an ancient city in the territory of Pundravardhana. This place is considered sacred to Buddhists, Muslims, and Hindus alike. Pilgrims and visitors tour the area all year round. The Behular Bashor Ghor is a popular tourist attraction in the city and is close to other popular spots and monuments such as the Mahasthangar, Nawab Palace (called Neelkuthi during the British period), Kherua Mosque (Sherpur Upazila), Bara Mosque, Mazar of Shah Sultan Balkhi, Mazar of Panchpir, Gokul Medh, Palace of Parshuram, Basu Bihara, Palli Unnayan Academy, Saudia City Park, Bhimer Jangle, Museum of Nawab Bari Palace, Wonderland Shishupark (a children's park), Shanewaz Shishubagan, Woodburn Park, Dreshtinandan Park, Bijayangan (the War of Liberation museum), and the Jaina Temple.

## **Eco Tourism & Farm Resort**

The eco tourism centre in Shahjahanpur is great place to learn and experience green lifestyle, technology and products! People can learn about bio tech and renewable energy along with organic farming. The farm resort has a malta(mandarin) garden at 5 bigha land which is a beautiful place for hanging out with family and friends. The resort has hotels, restaurant, party-center, catering, meeting-room and conference facilities with very reasonable prices and swimming pool. People can also visit duck farm. There is also a beautiful picnic spot.

## **Facilities**

- Transport by battery vehicle: Enjoy ecofriendly transportation
- Tent facility: Enjoy living under wide big sky full of stars
- Conference facility: We can provide meeting and conference room for corporate events
- Picnic facility: Picnic can be held in the spot
- Restaurant: More than 200 people can enjoy lunch or dinner at a time
- City tour: Our team can ensure a full city tour. Bogra is full of historical places.

## **How to go Bogra**

Buses arrive at Bogra's central bus station 2 km from town. Ordinary buses from Dhaka take 4.5 hours. AC buses can cost up to 500-800 Tk. Buses also leave throughout the day for Natore, Rajshahi, Khulna Rangpur.



*Here are some pictures of our sight:*



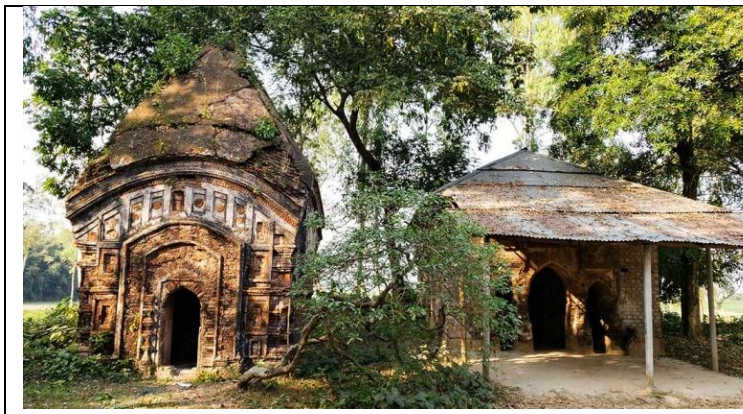


***And some other historical places:***

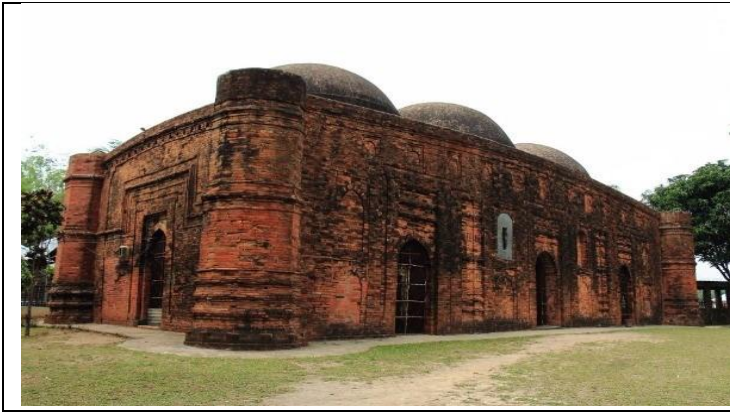
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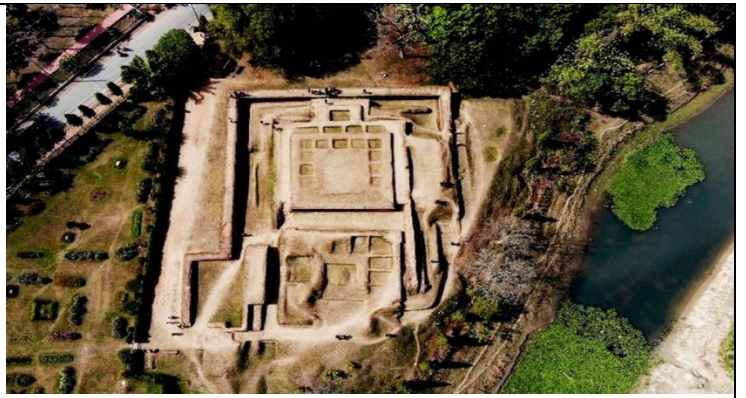
Jogir Bhaban: Paikgarh, Bogra:



Kherua Mosque: Sherpur, Bogra:



Mahasthangarh: 15km from Bogra Town, Bogra:



Vasu-Bihar: Bogra:



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