

PONG DAM

Maharana Pratap Sagar


in Kangra, Himachal Pradesh



If you ever want peace with beautiful surroundings, then a Lake is the place for you. Lakes are peaceful, they're not loud like sea or ocean, but they will please to just sit there, delighting your eyes and meditation to rejuvenate from your busy routines.

That's where 'The Pong Eco Village' is located !

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A photograph of a lake with several birds on the shore. The water is a clear, light blue color. The shore is a mix of brown earth and small rocks. Three birds are visible on the shore: one on the left, one in the middle, and one on the right. The text is overlaid on the upper part of the image.

***A place, where you will hear only
smoothing sound of water & voices of birds,
nothing else !***

About The Pong, A Lake !

Pong Dam Lake in Kangra, Himachal Pradesh, India also known as Maharana Pratap Sagar. Pong Reservoir was created in 1975, by erection the highest Dam in India on the Beas River in the fen zone of the Siwalik Hills the Kangra district of the state of Himachal Pradesh.

“ *The lake is well known Wildlife & Bird sanctuary and one of the 26 international fen sites declared in India by Ramsar convention.*

The Pong Dam named in the honors of Maharana Pratap. Pong Reservoir covers an area of 60,610 acres and fen area is 38,700 acres.

The Pong Dam is also known as Fishing reservoirs in the Himalayan foothills of the Himachal Pradesh.

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The Beas River, on which the Pong Dam is Located, river flows from the Beas Kund near by Rohtang Pass, In upper Himalayas and flow generally in a north-south direction up to the Pong Dam.

Kangra is a city and a municipal council in Kangra district now in Indian state of Himachal Pradesh. Historically it was known as Nagarkot. Meaning of Kangra is a composite word made out of Kaann + gaddha.

This name was given to Kangra because of the famous ancient plastic surgeons of the region who were known to provide plastic surgery for royals who wanted to improve their looks and warriors who had lost facial features during wars. British documentation of ancient and medieval plastic surgery.

The British archaeologist and historian Sir Alexander Cunningham documented and brought to light the tradition and science of Kangra plastic operations.

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Although, modern plastic surgery uses the same techniques as the ancient techniques developed in South India, for north Indians Kangra. own unique methods were more popular and accessible History. Historically known as Nagarkot, The town of Kangra was founded by Katoch Kshatriya Rajput's of Chandervanshi Lineage.

The Katoch Rajas had a stronghold here, with a fort and rich temples. Another ancient name of the city is Bhimagar and it was supposedly founded by Raja Bhim, younger brother of Kuru Emperor Yudhishtira of Indraprastha (now Delhi).The temple of Devi Vajreshwari was one of the oldest and wealthiest in northern India.

It was destroyed, together with the fort and the town, by 1905 Kangra earthquake on the 4 April 1905, when 1339 lives were lost in this place alone, and about 20,000 elsewhere. In 1855 the headquarters of the district were removed to the cantonment of Dharmsala, which was established in 1849.

'Bathu Ki Ladi' accessible only in months of May and June !



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Bathu Ki Ladi, at The Pong !

The Bathu Temples (Bathu ki ladi) are a bunch of temples in the Kangra District state of Himachal Pradesh India, These were Submerged in Pong Dam Reservoir. These temples are accessible only in months of May and June when the water level decreases.

This temples have so many history from the time of Mahabharat. Some claim that the temple was built by Pandavas.

'Bathu Ki Ladi' Submerging into water !



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