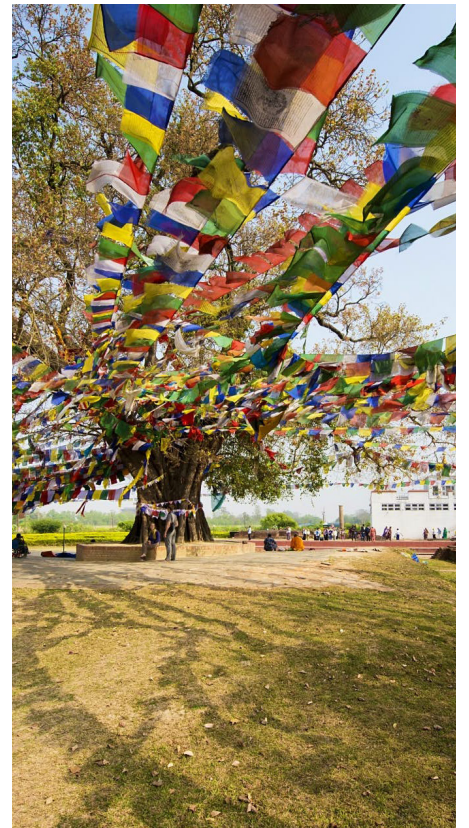


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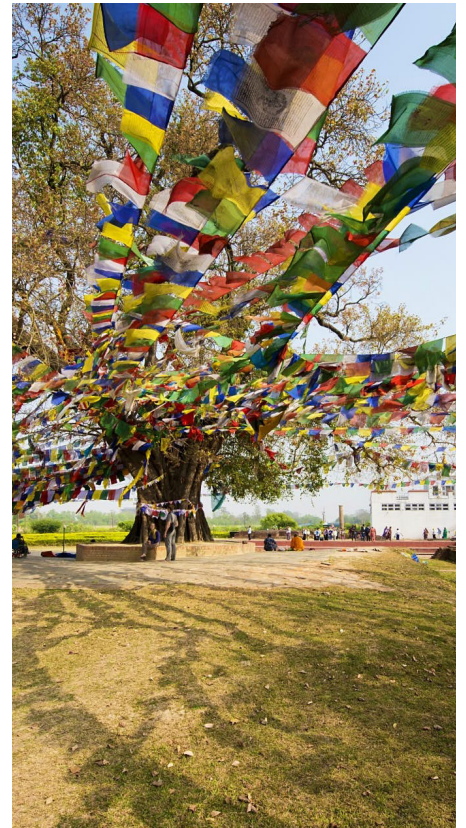


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## LOCATION

Mahal is a Rana palace located in the bank of Kali Gandaki River in Palpa district of Nepal.

## THEME OF YOUR CBT VOLUNTEERING EXPERIENCE

Support local people in initiating community-based touristic services in Rani Mahal



## CONTEXT

Rani Mahal Community Based Tourism (CBT): Rani Mahal Community-based Tourism is one of the historical touristic places in Nepal. The Rani Mahal in Palpa, or Ranighat Palace, is often referred to as the “Taj Mahal of Nepal.” Although it does not resemble the famous Taj Mahal visually, it does have a similar background story full of love and determination. This palace is built along the Kali Gandaki River in Palpa District of Nepal. Government and local people are working for the conservation of the Rani Mahal and promotion of the community-based tourism. General Khadga Samsher Rana constructed this palace in 1893. His beloved youngest wife Tej Kumari Devi died and within a year he built a palace and named after his wife as a Rani Mahal (queen’s palace). Currently, there is a vehicle access road Palpa Tansen to Rani Mahal. It takes around one hour to reach. No public vehicles are available for the trip. Also, foot trail from Kailashnagar near the Batasedanda, about 3 km from Tansen leads to Ranimahal. It takes about 3-4 hrs walk to Rani Mahal from Batasedanda.



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## PURPOSE OF YOUR CBT VOLUNTEERING PROJECT:

Rani Mahal is a beautiful and attractive place which has great potentials to support income-generating activities of local people through offering and initiating community-based touristic services. However the planning, organisation and realization of these services needs external support and guidance. The objective of this project is to develop the opportunities of community-based tourism (CBT) of Rani Mahal.

## ACTIVITIES YOU CAN BE ENGAGED IN - BASED ON YOUR INTERESTS AND SKILLS:

You will be supporting local people in the organisation and realization of community-based touristic services that could attract more visitors to the place. Within the community-based initiatives you will be able to support the community to plan, realize and offer homestays, tour guiding, transport services, exhibitions and selling of traditional local goods and crafts.

You will be supporting the educational and awareness-raising programs that target the development of the knowledge and skills of the community that can result in the above-mentioned and further CBT services. You will be working closely with locals, and be part of an intercultural work atmosphere, in which you will also grow, learn and experience a lot

## INTERCULTURAL EXPERIENCE YOU WILL BE PART OF:

Rani Mahal is one of the most well-known historical places of Nepal. You will experience, see and visit different natural and spiritual spots and venues of the area and also have the chance to participate on several cultural and traditional events and celebrations together with the community. You will meet youngsters, women and all groups of people from the society who will welcome you and show you various traditional practices including dances.

You can also join farmers based on rural areas, support their work, and get to know more about their lifestyle and traditions. You can also visit school communities and engage in informal learning opportunities together with students, through sport, community, cultural or social activities.



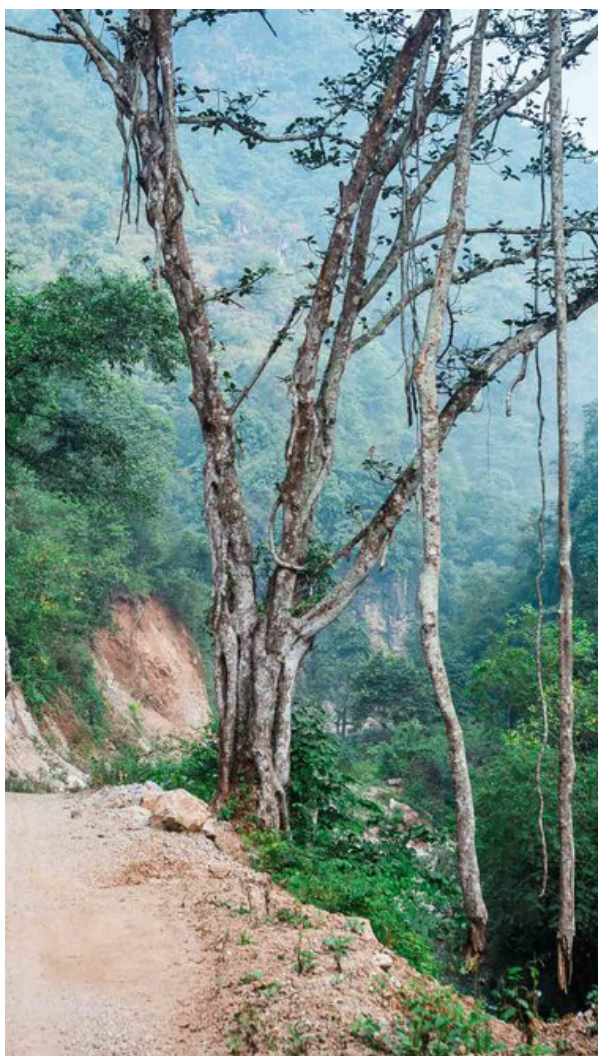


## FACULTATIVE TRIPS YOU CAN CHOOSE FROM:

- Old Newari artistic houses and architecture
- Lush green area of Shreenagar Hills
- Rani Mahal palace
- The mesmerizing flow of Kali Gandaki Rivers

## YOU WILL BE HOSTED AT:

Palpa Community Homestay is situated in Bhagwati Tole Road in Tansen only 532 m far from the centre. There is a car rental service for the guests. During a walking tour, you can explore numerous interesting places nearby. The accommodation will provide guests with access to the Internet. The menu of the restaurant includes diet meals. The reception functions round the clock. There is a terrace equipped for the them. For the best accommodation, guests can choose one of the 2 rooms in the homestay. The following categories of rooms are available for guests: twin, double. A wide range of facilities is offered here: safety deposit box, refrigerator, ironing facilities, dining table, outdoor furniture, outdoor dining area and clothes rack. There is a lot of rooms with mountain view and city look.



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