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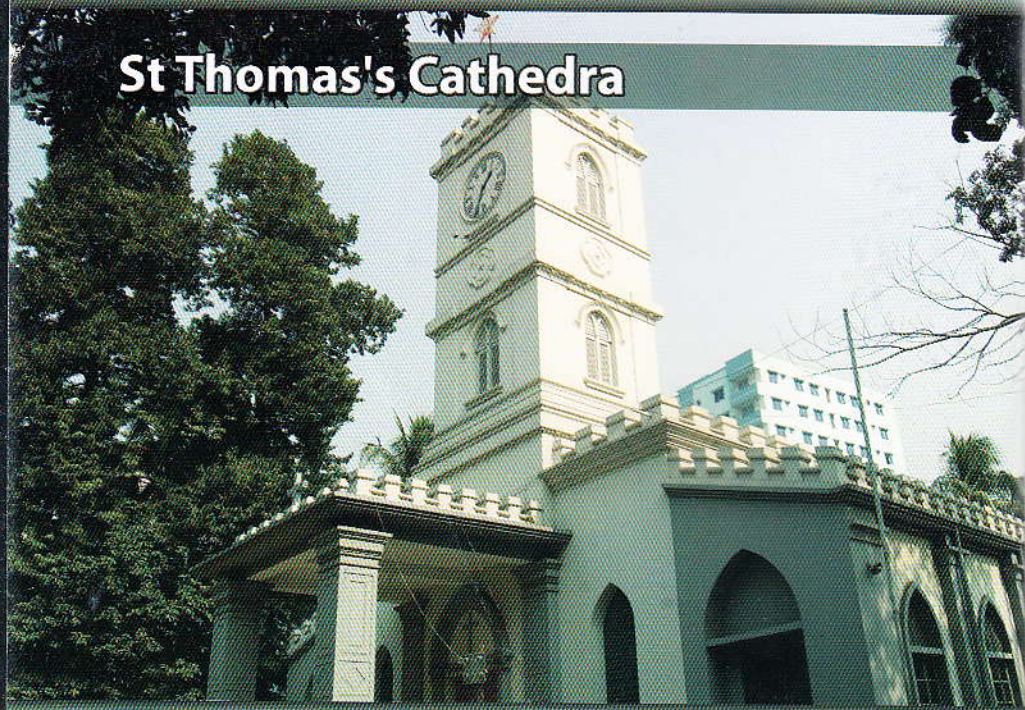


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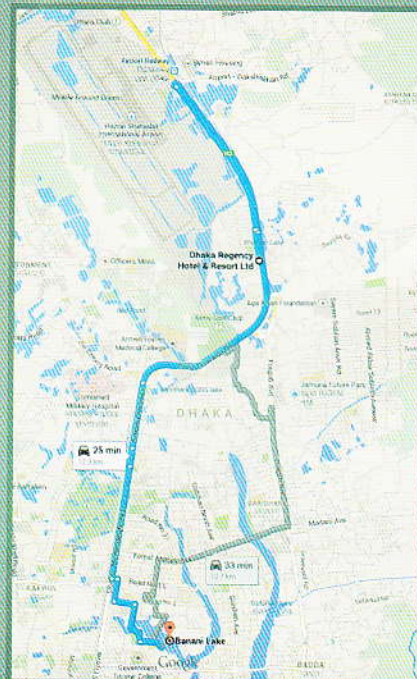
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St Thomas's Cathedra



Built in 1819, and inaugurated by Bishop Reginald Heber of Kolkata (Calcutta) on the 10th of July in 1824 while he was on a visit to Dhaka. The church is serving as a cathedral church since 1951.

Distance from the Airport : 11.8 km
Way of Transportation : Taxi Cab
Location : Lalbagh



Botanical Garden



Built over an area of 205 acres of land at Mirpur, Dhaka, just east of the zoo. It has collection of nearly 100 species of local and foreign plants; 100 varieties of roses in the rose corner, 100 varieties of bamboo in the bamboo grove.

Distance from the Airport : 12.8 km

Way of Transportation : Taxi Cab

Location : Mirpur



Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Novo Theatre



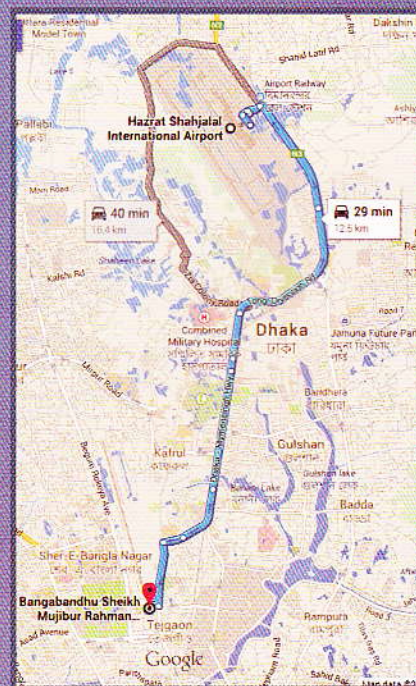
Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Novo Theatre is a planetarium on Bijoy Sarani Avenue of Tejgaon area in Dhaka, Bangladesh. The theater opened to public on 25 September 2004. The space center was commissioned by the Ministry of Science and Communication Technology.

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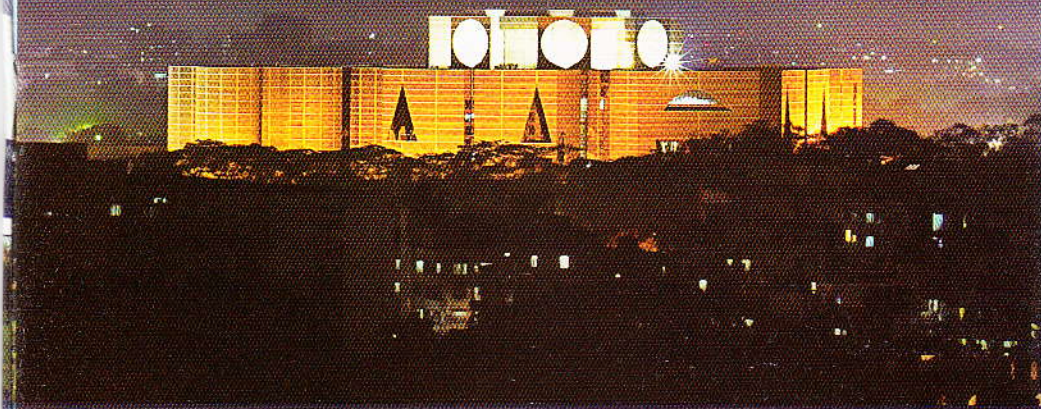
Way of Transportation : Taxi

Location : Bijoy Sarani, Tejgaon, Dhaka

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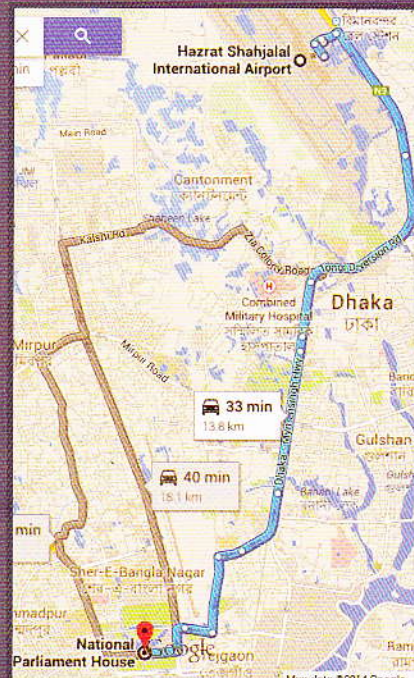


Jatiya Sangsad Bhaban (National Parliament House)



The parliament house, designed by famous architect Louis I. Kahn, is located at Sher-e-Bangla Nagar. It boasts some distinctive architectural features; there is a big creek with lotus in front known as crescent lake. This edifice is widely considered a masterpiece and awarded 'Aga Khan Award for Architecture' in 1989, in Award Presentation Ceremony held at Citadel of Saladin in Cairo, Egypt.

Distance from the Airport : 13.8 km
Way of Transportation : Taxi Cab
Location : Mohammadpur

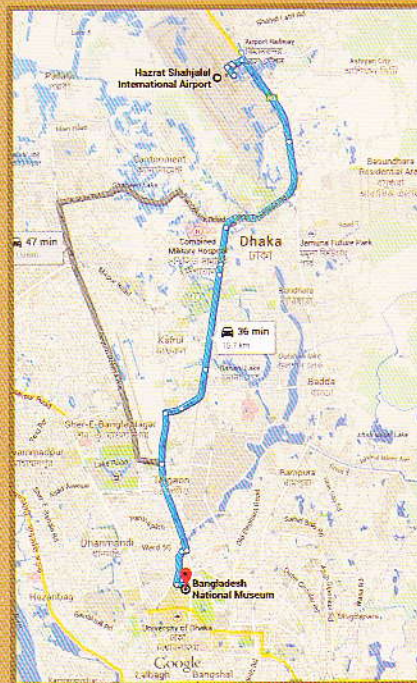


National Museum

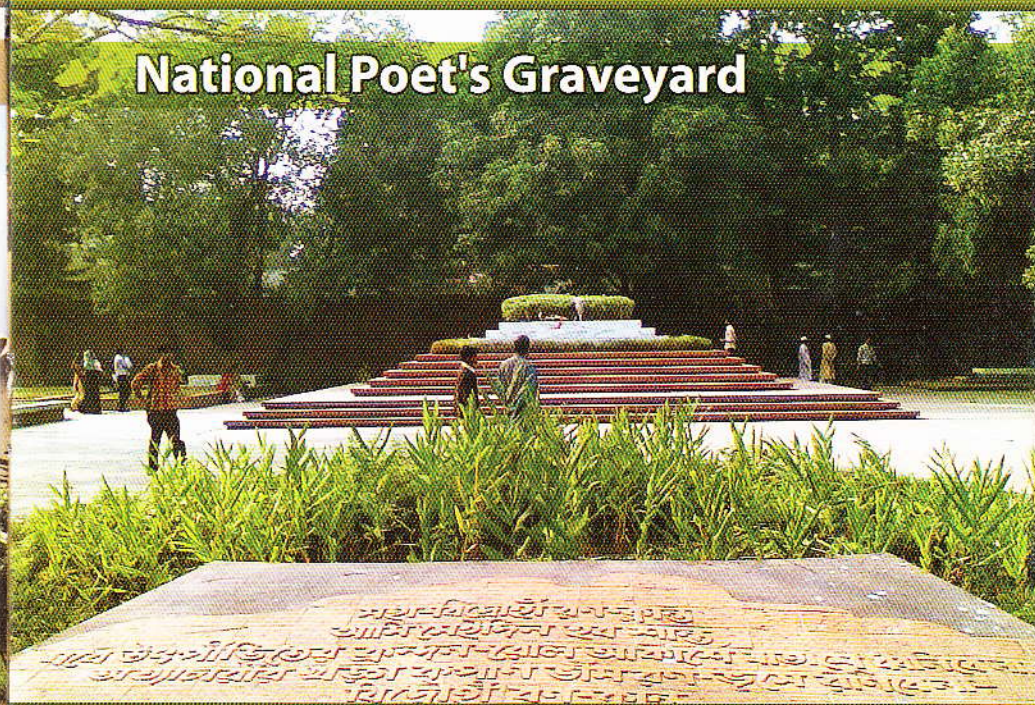


Established in 1913 A.D., the museum was shifted to a new four-storied building at Shahabagh in 1983. It has forty galleries featuring four departments: National History, History and Cultural Art, and Contemporary art and civilization. It has a rich collection of paintings, old coins, metal images, books on art, world famous embroidered quilts (Nakshi kantha) are worth-mentioning among others.

Distance from the Airport : 15.7 km
Way of Transportation : Taxi Cab
Location : Shahabagh Rdt
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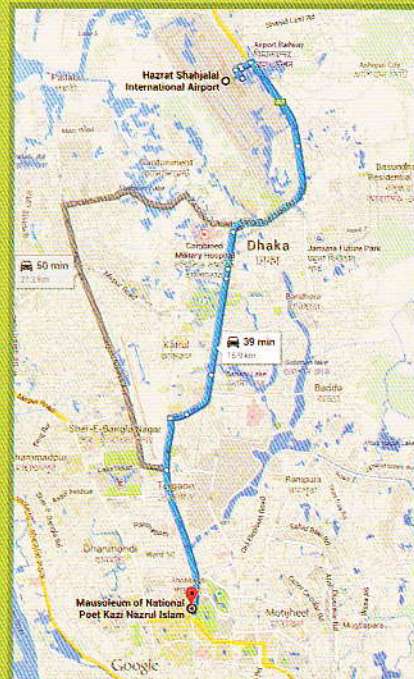


National Poet's Graveyard



Adjacent to the Dhaka University central mosque is the graveyard of the national poet, rebel poet Kazi Nazrul Islam, who died on 29 August 1976. In the writings of his literature, there has been demonstration for freedom of oppressed people. He was also great exponent of Persian language, which has been externalized in his poems, gazals, etc.

Distance from the Airport : 16.2 km
Way of Transportation : Taxi Cab
Location : Dhaka University Campus



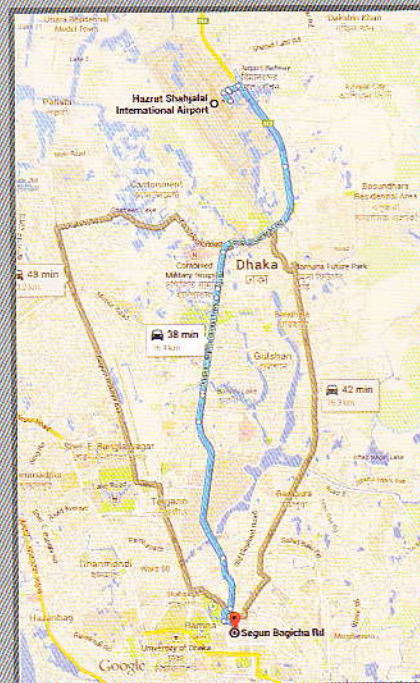
Mukti Juddha Museum



The Liberation War Museum Mukti Juddho Jadughor is a museum in Segunbagicha, Dhaka, the capital of Bangladesh that commemorates the Bangladesh Liberation War which led to the independence of Bangladesh from Pakistan.

A museum opened on 22 March 1996, and has more than 10,000 artifacts and exhibits on display in the museum or stored in its archives.

Distance from the Airport : 16.2 km
Way of Transportation : Taxi Cab
Location : Shegunbagicha
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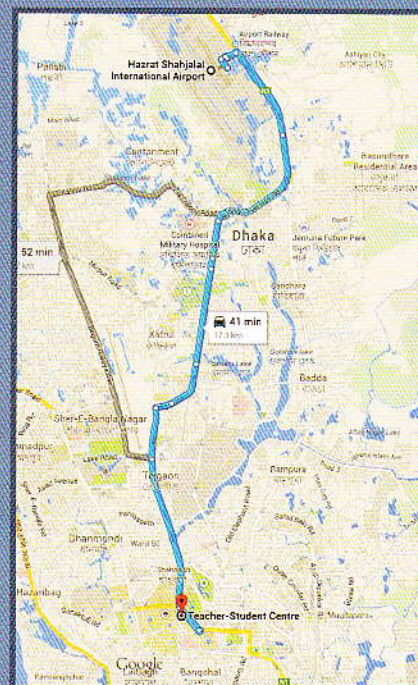


Gurdwara Nanak Shahi



Gurdwara Nanak Shahi is a Sikh Gurdwara at Dhaka, Bangladesh. It is located at the campus of the University of Dhaka and considered to be the biggest of 9 to 10 Gurdwaras in the country. According to the commemorating the visit of Guru Nanak (1506-1507), it is the most important historic place.[citation needed] It is said to have been built in 1830. The present building of the Gurdwara was renovated in 1988-1989. The parkarma verandah had been constructed on all four sides of the original building to provide protection.

Distance from the Airport : 16.5 km
Way of Transportation : Taxi Cab
Location : Dhaka University Campus

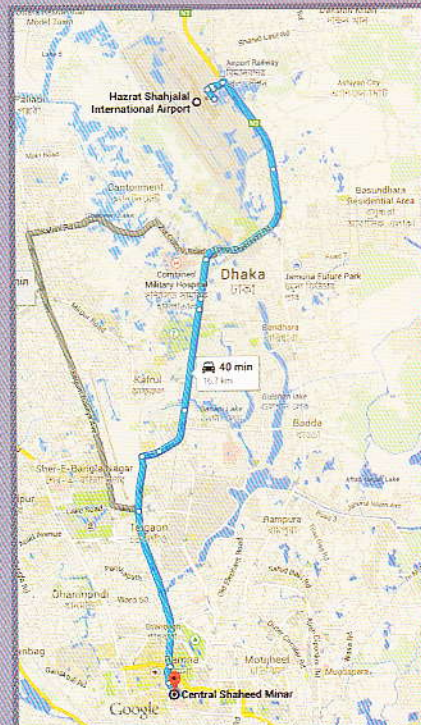


Central Shaheed Minar (Martyr Monument)



Symbol of Bengali nationalism, this monument was built to commemorate the martyrs of the historic language movement on 21st February, 1952. Thousands of people with floral wreaths and bouquets gather barefooted on the day every year to pay glowing homage to these national heroes. Celebration begins at the zero hour of night. The day was declared as 'International Mother Language Day' by the UNESCO in honour of the supreme sacrifices of the Bengali people, and the day is observed elsewhere in the world in the spirit of protecting mother tongues of all nations.

Distance from the Airport : 171 km
Way of Transportation : Taxi Cab
Location : Near Dhaka Medical College and Hospital Ramna

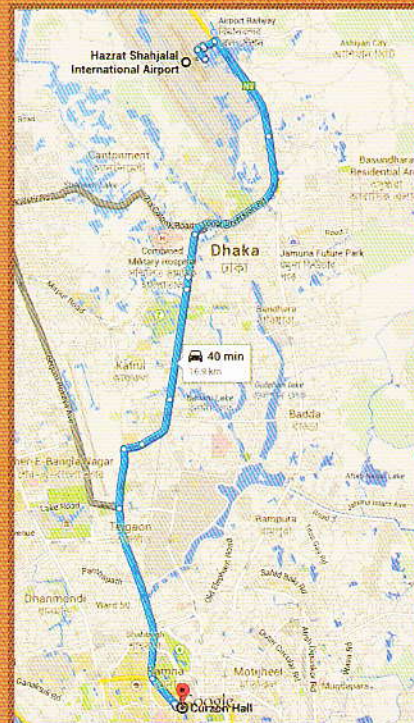


Curzon Hall

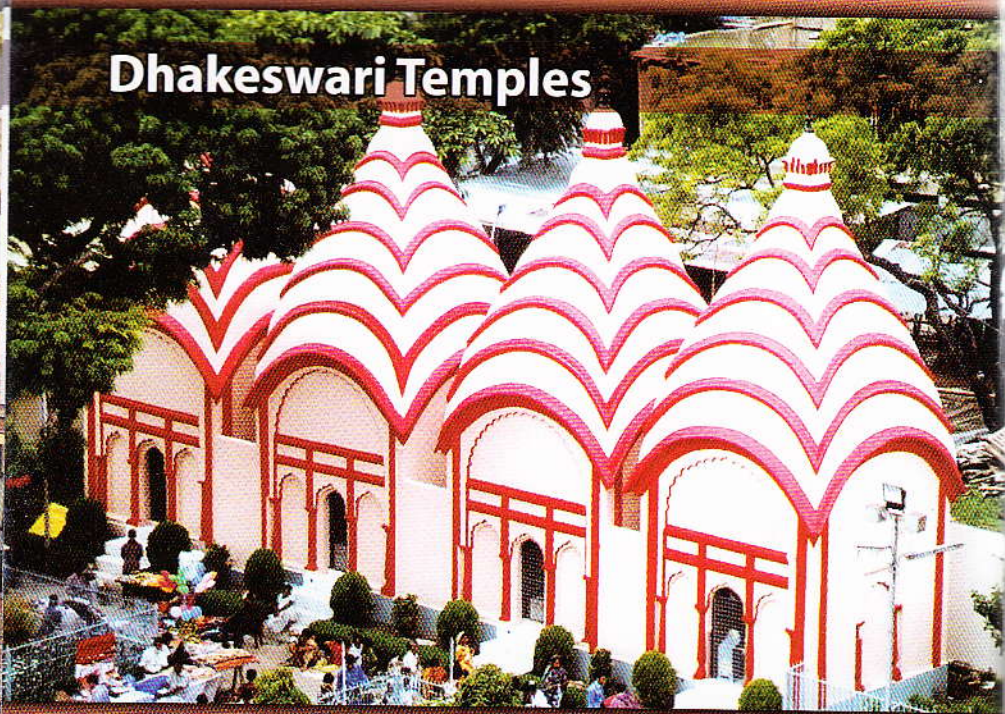


The Curzon Hall, originally intended as a town hall, which was named after Lord Curzon, the Viceroy of India, who laid its foundation in 1904. A year later, Bengal was partitioned and Dhaka became the capital of the newly created province of East Bengal and Assam. One of the best examples of Dhaka's architecture, it is a happy blend of European and Mughal architecture, particularly noticeable in the projecting facade in the north which has both horse-shoe and cusped arches. The Curzon Hall has attained a great significance in the history of the language movement. It was here, in 1948, the students of Dhaka University uttered their first refusal to accept Mohammed Ali Jinnah's declaration that Urdu alone would be the state language of the then Pakistan.

Distance from the Airport : 16.9 km
Way of Transportation : Taxi Cab
Location : Dhaka University

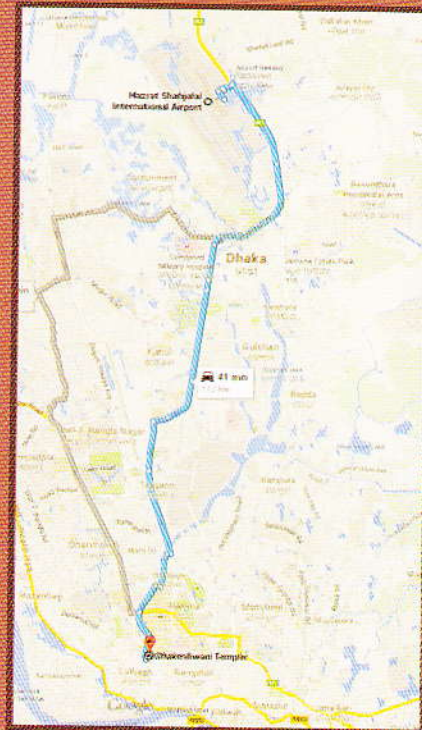


Dhakeswari Temples



The famous Dhakeswari group of temples now largely modernised temples at Dhaka from which a popular legend ascribes the origin of the city, may be classified under the composite type of pida and rekha style. Among these, one group consist four rekha temples resting on raised platform. Each temple has a square sanctum, which is covered by six tiers of pyramidal roofs of the curvilinear Bengali style and each is crowned by a spiked kalasa enclosed within a lotus bud. The other group which consists of three pyramidal rekha temples, is crowned with pinnacles. The sikhara consists of four receding tiers - the first of which is a dome shaped Bengali roof and the remaining three of which are the North Indian pida type, all capped by a lotus finial.

Distance from the Airport : 17.7 km
Way of Transportation : Taxi Cab
Location : Bakshi Bazar

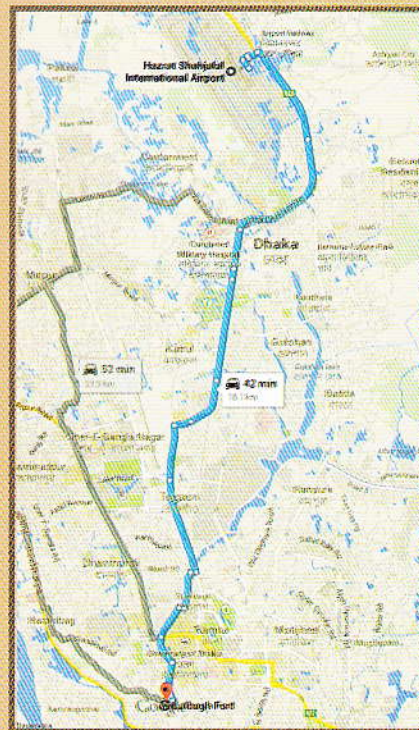


Lalbagh Fort

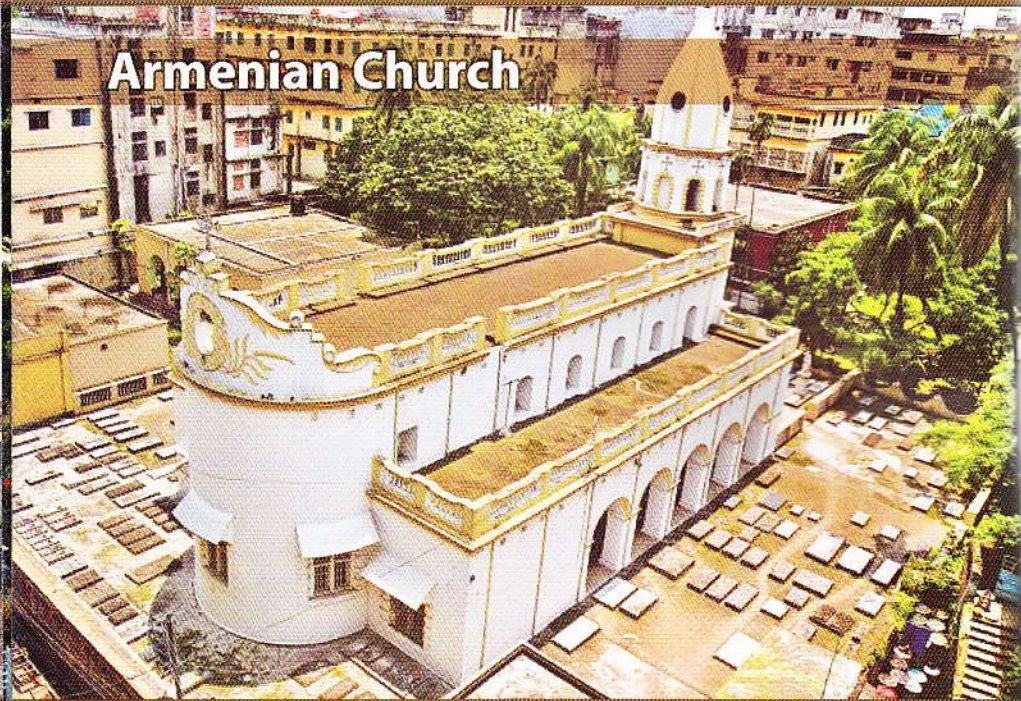


The Fort of Aurangabad, popularly known as the Lalbagh Fort is located in the Capital city Dhaka. Built in 1678 by Prince Mohammad Azam, son of Mughal Emperor Aurangzeb, the fort became the scene of a bloody battle during the first war of independence (1857 A.D.) when 250 sepoys (soldiers) backed by the local people revolted against British forces. Outstanding among the monuments of the Lalbagh are the tomb of Pari Bibi, Lalbagh Mosque, Audience hall and Hammam Khana (bathing place) of Nawab Shaista Khan.

Distance from the Airport : 18.1 km
Way of Transportation : Taxi Cab
Location : Lalbagh
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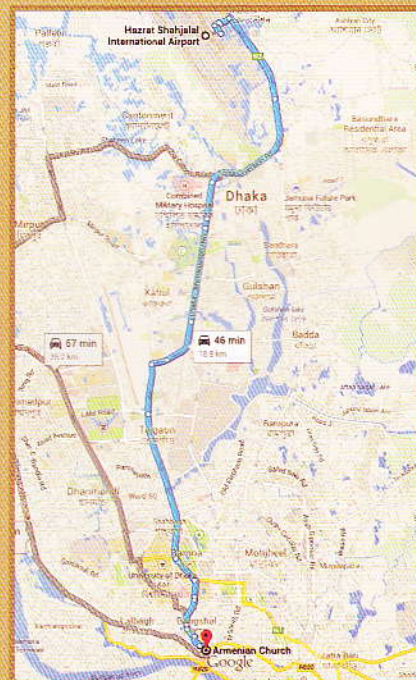


Armenian Church

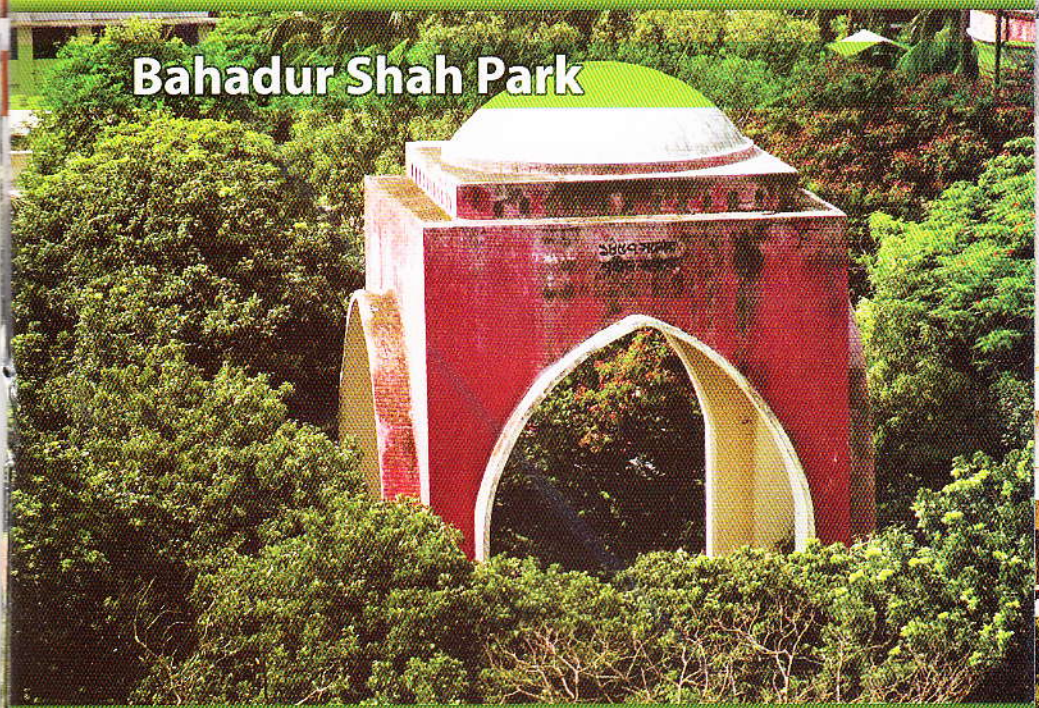


The Armenian Church (also known as Armenian Apostolic Church of the Holy Resurrection) is a historically significant architectural monument situated in the Armanitola area of old Dhaka, Bangladesh. The church bears testimony to the existence of a significant Armenian community in the region in the 17th and 18th centuries. The Armenian Church Founded in 1781

Distance from the Airport : 18.8 km
Way of Transportation : Taxi Cab / Bus
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Location : Naya Bazaar, Dhaka

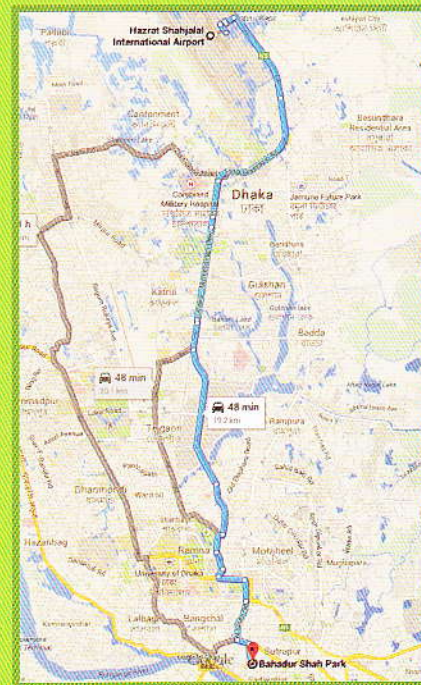


Bahadur Shah Park

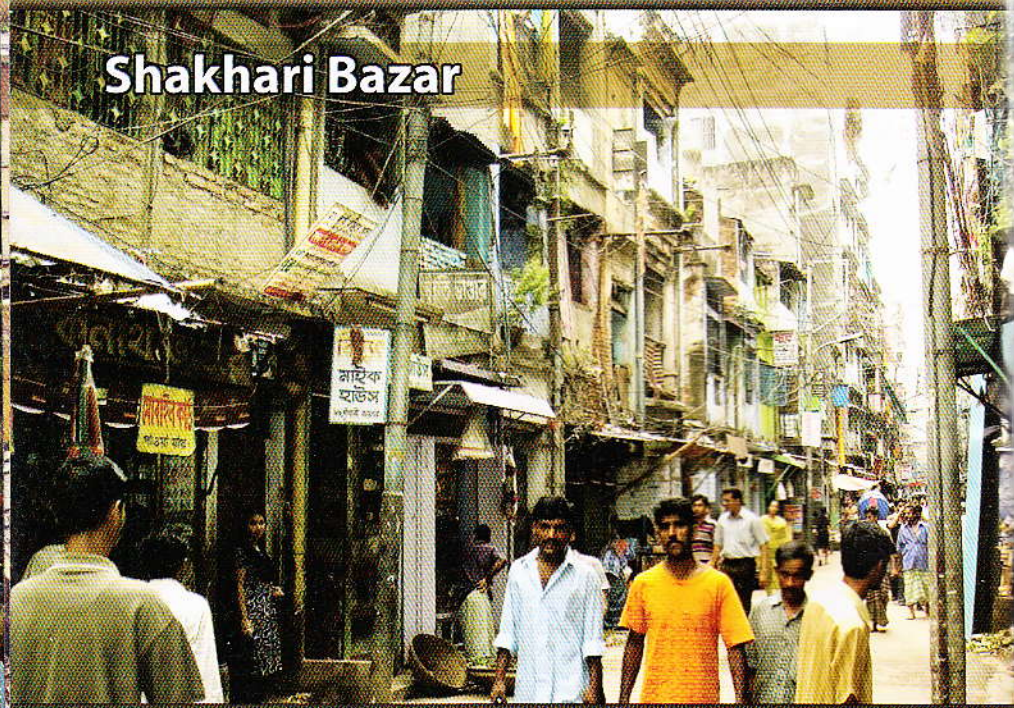


The park was built in Dhaka to commemorate the martyrs of the first Liberation War (1857-59) against the British colonial rule. It was here that the revolting sepoys and their civil compatriots were publicly hanged.

Distance from the Airport : 19.2 km
Way of Transportation : Taxi Cab
Location : Johnson Road



Shakhari Bazar

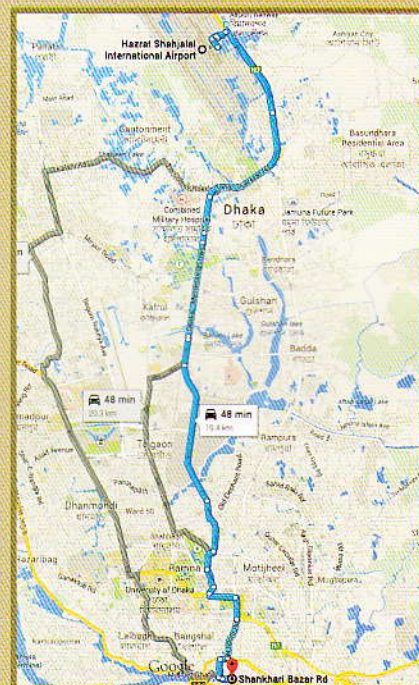


This is an old part of Dhaka city connecting a narrow street between Nawabpur Road and Islampur Road. The street is flanked by shops with conch shell, bangles, musical instruments, statues, toys and costumes. Islampur also boasts the guild of gold and silver-smiths.

Distance from the Airport: 19.4 km

Way of Transportation: Taxi Cab

Location: Shakhari Bazar Rd



Banga Bhaban



A splendid piece of architecture, Banga Bhaban is the official residence of the President of the People's Republic of Bangladesh. Tourist can have a look (outside view only) of Banga Bhaban.

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Way of Transportation : Taxi Cab
Location : Motijheel

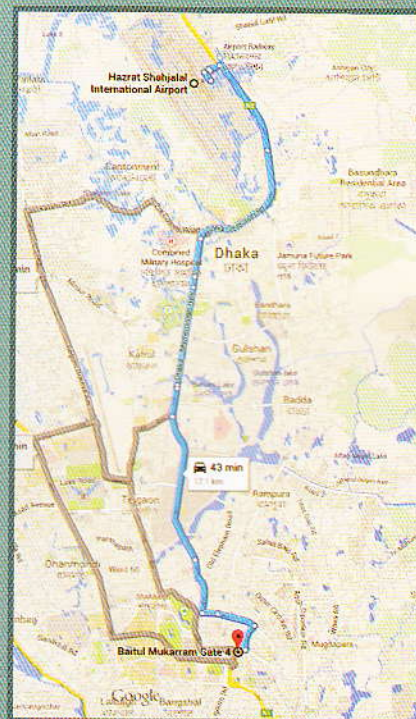


Baitul Mukarram National Mosque

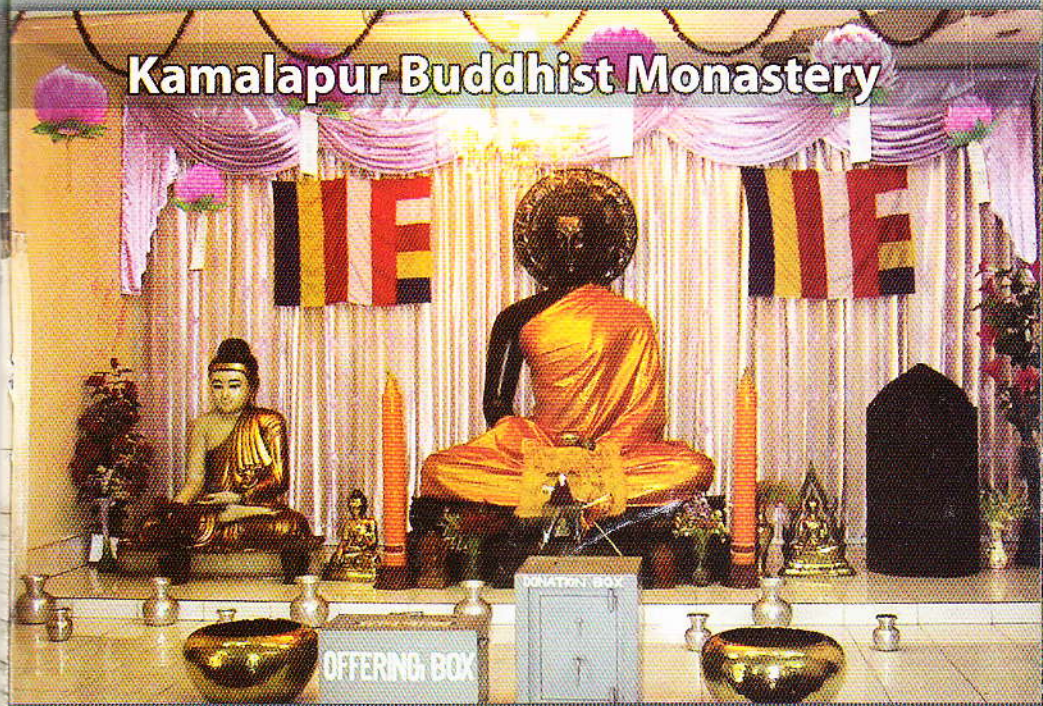


This is the National Mosque of Bangladesh. A Mosque without a dome over the roof of its main prayer hall must have been a unique experiment. The main building is eight storied and 99 feet high from the ground level. The shahan on the east is 29,000 square feet with ablution space on its south and north sides. The Baitul Mokarram mosque is modern in its architectural style. But it has not discarded traditional principles of mosque architecture. It has found its place in the hearts of the Muslims because of its resemblance with the holy Kaba at Makkah

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Way of Transportation : Taxi Cab
Location : Motijheel

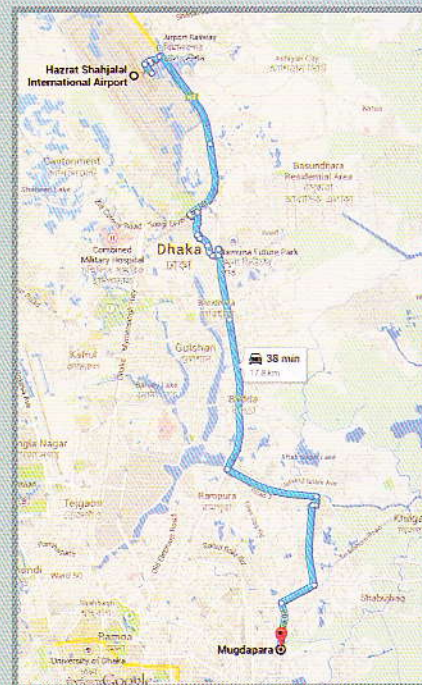


Kamalapur Buddhist Monastery



This monastery is a symbol of practicing the living Buddhism in Bangladesh. Located near the Kamalapur railway Station, this monastery is well known for many reasons. There is also preserved the relics (incremented ashes) of the great legend of Buddhism, Aatish Dipankar (born in Bikrompur of Bangladesh).

Distance from the Airport : 16.9 km
Way of Transportation : Taxi Cab
Location : Kadamtala



Ahsan Manzil



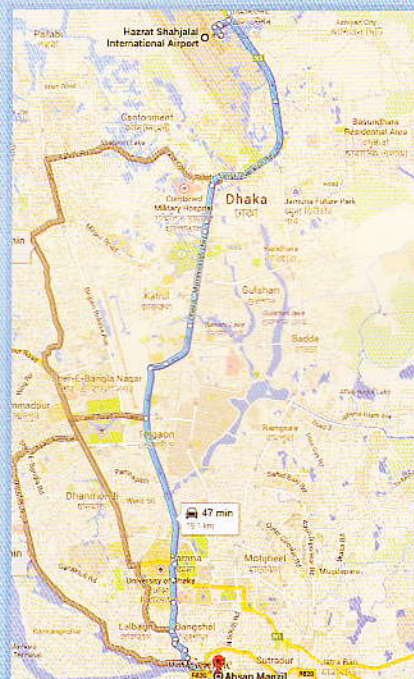
Located on the bank of river Buriganga in Dhaka, Ahsan Manzil is an example of the rich cultural heritage of the country. It was the home of the Nawab of Dhaka and a silent spectator to many historic events. It has 31 rooms with a huge dome atop which can be seen from miles around. It has now 23 galleries in 31 rooms displaying portraits, furniture and household articles and utensils used by the Nawabs.

Distance from the Airport : 19.1 km

Way of Transportation : Taxi Cab/bus/
three wheeler

Location : Sadarghat

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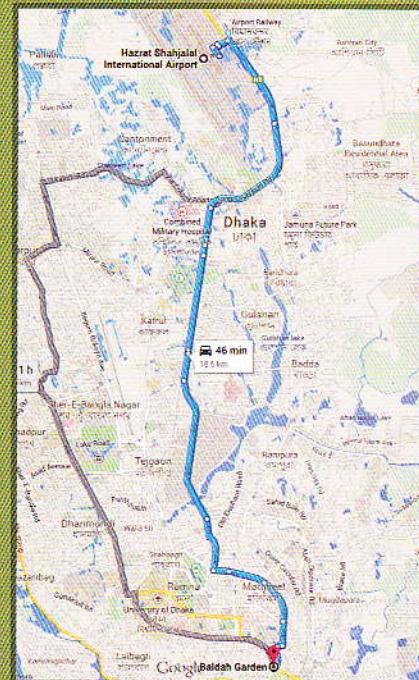


Baldha Garden



Embellished in 1904, by the late Narendra Narayan Roy, the garden is located in Wari. This garden boasts a rich collection of indigenous and exotic plants. It is an exciting attraction for nature lovers and tourists.

Distance from the Airport : 20.6 km
Way of Transportation : Taxi Cab
Location : Wari

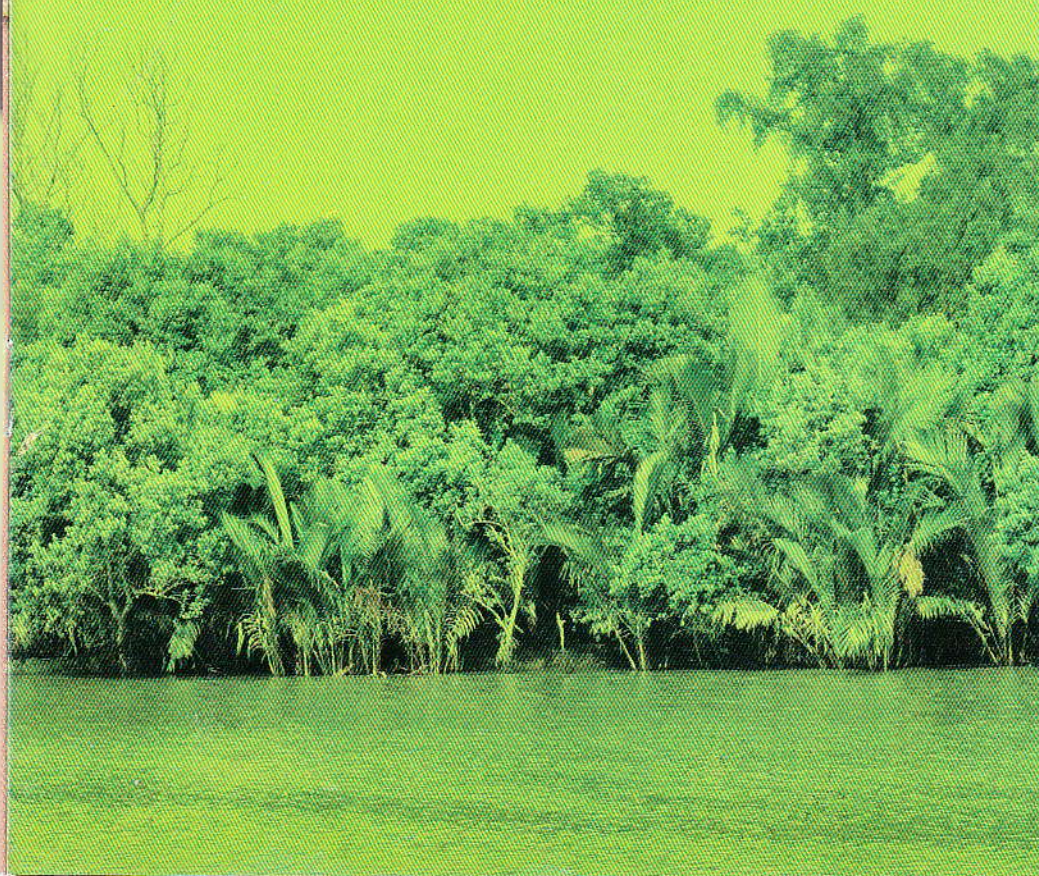




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