

# “A Planning Proposal for Heritage Tourism Circuit of Surat city”

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**Abstract** - Infrastructure is the key tool for development of any nation. Infrastructure (Economical and Social) plays a major part in economic development of the country and improving the well-being of community. Social infrastructure plays an important role in improving the quality of life of citizens. Social infrastructure includes health, education, recreational area, open space and distributive services. The role of tourism is very crucial in economic development of country. Also the rate of tourists is increasing every year. As Surat is on the path of becoming smart city and therefore the efficiency and effectiveness of social infrastructure shall be of prime focus. The purpose of proposed study is to assess the existing condition of social infrastructure in the study area to identify gaps (existing and projected) as per the data from Surat Municipal Corporation (SMC) guidelines also to propose the heritage circuit of Surat city thus increasing tourists for heritage tourism. Various site visits have been conducted to identify potential of attracting tourists across the Surat city. Keywords: Heritage, Circuit, Tourism, Social Infrastructure, SMC

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Historic site or Heritage site is an official location where pieces of political, military, cultural, or social history have been preserved due to their cultural heritage value. A historic site may be any building, landscape, site or structure that is of local, regional, or national significance. It also aims to promote the cultural and heritage activity of the country, Socioeconomic development of areas, preserving & preventing heritage, to develop loop circuits. There are no public transport route for heritage tourism in Surat city. Thus making it time consuming for people to visit & plan itenary. We are making a circuit for heritage tourism of Surat city so as people need not waste their time in making itenary for their tourism.

### 1.1 Aim

A planning proposal of the heritage tourism of surat city with route network circuit.

## 1.2 Objective

To assess the current scenarios of heritage place in surat city. Identify heritage places and study its potential for tourism purpose. Prepare planning proposal for heritage tourism circuit with connecting all the heritage places

## 2. Study area

Surat will be the world's fastest growing city from 2019 to 2035, according to a study conducted by Economic Times. The city registered an annualized GDP growth rate of 11.5% over the seven fiscal years between 2001 and 2008. • Surat was awarded "best city" by the Annual Survey of India's City-Systems (ASICS) in 2013. Surat is selected as the first smart IT city in India which is being constituted by the Microsoft CityNext Initiative tied up with IT services majors Tata Consultancy Services and Wipro. • Surat has been selected as one of twenty Indian cities to be developed as a smart city under PM Narendra Modi's flagship Smart Cities Mission.

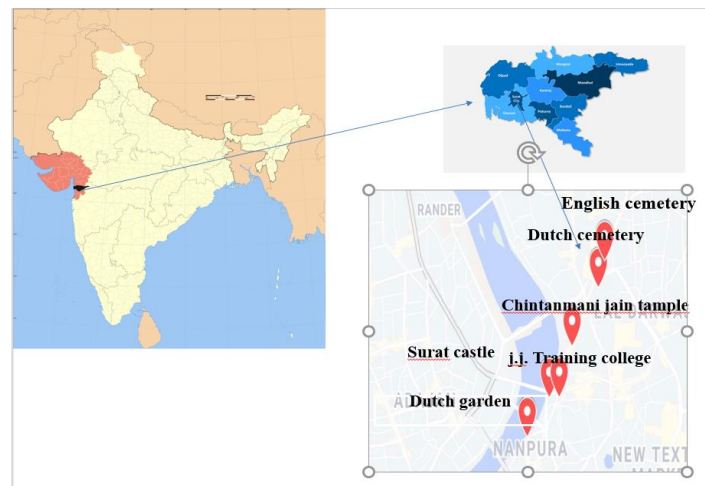


Fig.-1: Study area

- Name: Heritage circuit
- Location area : Surat
- Destination covered:6
- Duration: One day circuit
- Time of cover: 7 to 8 hr. approx.
- List of destination:
  1. Surat castle
  2. Dutch garden

3. J.j. training school
4. English cemetery
5. Dutch cemetery
6. Chintamani jain temple

### 3. Planning and design

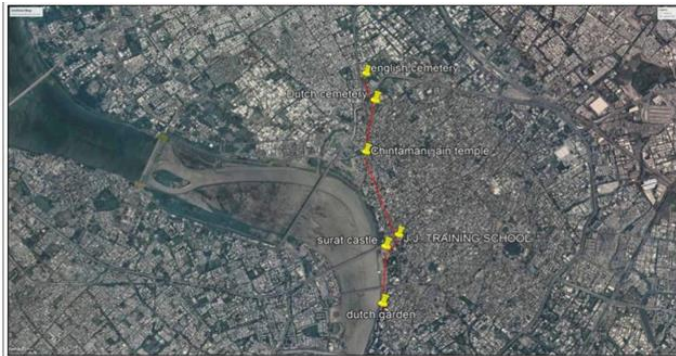


Fig -2: Heritage

Sr. no	Destination	Opening time	Close time	Exploring time	Mode of travel	location
1	Surat castle	10:00 a.m.	6:00 p.m.	1-2 hr.	Bus	Chowk bazar
2	Dutch garden	8:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m.	12:00 p.m. 11:00 pm	30 min to 1 hr.	Bus	Nanpura
3	j.j. training school	10:00 a.m.	6:00 p.m.	30 min to 1 hr.	Bus	Chowk bazar
4	English cemetery	8:00 a.m.	5:00 p.m.	1-2 hr.	Bus	Katargam darwaja
5	Dutch cemetery	7:00 a.m.	7:00 p.m.	1-2 hr.	Bus	Katargam road
6	Chintamani jain temple	6:00 a.m.	6:00 p.m.	30 min to 1 hr.	Bus	savadpura

Fig -3: attraction of destination

	PHASE:1	PHASE:2
COST OF BUS	15 LACK *3	1530000/-
Salary of bus driver	15000 per/month* 3	15000/-
Salary of bus conductor	12500 per/month* 3	12500/-
Salary of <u>guid</u>	20500 per/month* 3	20500/-
Cost of bus terminal	2.5 lack to 5 lack *3=15 lack (3 terminal)	5.5 lack
Computer	3*50000 =150000	50000/-
Receptionist	10000 per/month*	10000/-

### Initial Proposed cost

Route : 1(airport)	Phase:1	Phase:2
30 km distance Diesel price : 87 / liter Bus average : 3 km/ liter Diesel consume by bus : 10 liter * 87₹ 870₹/ day For one month 870* 30=26100 per /month	26100 Per/month	26883per/month

Route : 2(Railway station)	Phase:1	Phase:2
13 km distance Diesel price : 87 / liter Bus average : 3 km/ liter Diesel consume by bus : 4 liter * 87₹ 377₹/ day diesel use For one month 377* 30=11310 per /month	11310 Per/month	11650per/month

Route : 1(airport)	Phase:1	Phase:2
No of passenger in bus =30 870/30 =29 +50 (surat castle ) =80 ₹ 80+55=135₹	200/- (approx)	200per person

Route : 2(Railway station)	Phase:1	Phase:2
No of passenger in bus =30 377/30 =13 +50 (surat castle ) =63 ₹ 63+55=120₹	180/- (approx)	180per person

	Phase:1	Phase:2
Maintenance (8%) (bus terminal)	120000/-	----
Total project initial cost ( cost of bus + cost of bus terminal + cost of computers)	61.5 lack	----

#### 4. CONCLUSIONS

The goal of heritage one day circuit is to create a connection with the tourist and heritage places to conserve cultural values of heritages of Surat city as well as to generate employability. To make it easier for people to visit places without having to worry about planning of itineraries. Most of the people select the Bus for the tourism as compare to Auto rikshaw and Taxi. People are also ready to pay the fee for the heritage tourism of Surat as data collection.

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