

॥ श्री जगन्नाथ प्रणामः ॥ नीलाचलनिवासाय नित्याय परमात्मने । बलभद्रसुभद्राभ्यां जगन्नाथाय ते नमः ॥ १॥ जगदानन्दकन्दाय प्रणतार्तहराय च । नीलाचलनिवासाय जगन्नाथाय ते नमः ॥ २॥

## जगन्नाथः स्वामी नयन पथ गामी भवतु मे ॥

"Jagannath Swami Nayana-Patha-Gami Bhava Tume"

Ratha Yatra

Ratha Yatra (Car Festival) is a Hindu festival associated with Lord Jagannath held at Shri Kshetra Puri Dham in the state of Odisha. It's descriptions can be found in Brahma Purana, Padma Purana, and Skanda Purana and Kapila Samhita. The festival commemorates Lord Jagannath's annual visit to Gundicha Temple along with Lord Balabhadra and Devi Subhadra via Mausi Maa Temple (maternal aunt's home) near Saradha Bali, Puri. This annual festival is celebrated on Ashadha Shukla Paksha Dwitiya (second day in bright fortnight of Ashadha month) and is known as Shree Gundicha Yatra. The return of the Gods from their aunt's place to the Puri Jagannath Temple is known as Bahuda Yatra. This happens after 9 days of Gundicha Yatra. On their way back from the Gundicha Temple, the three deities stop for a while near the Mausi Maa Temple (Aunt's abode) and have an offering of the Poda Pitha, which is a special type of pancake supposed to be the Lord's favourite. After a stay for seven days, the deities return to their abode. During this intervening period various rituals of Lord Jagganath, Lord Balabhadra and Devi Subhadra take place.

## ♦ Programme -

- ♦ Chandan Yatra: 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2022 (Tuesday)
- Snana Yatra: 14<sup>th</sup> June 2022 (Tuesday)
- Netro Utsav
   Nabajauban Darshan: 29<sup>th</sup> June 2022(Wednesday)
- Shree Gundicha Yatra: 1st July 2022 (Friday)
- ♦ Hera Panchami: 5<sup>th</sup> July 2022 (Tuesday)
- Sandhya Darshan: 8th July 2022 (Friday)
- Sahuda Yatra: 9<sup>th</sup> July 2022 (Saturday)
- Suna Besha: 10<sup>th</sup> July 2022 (Sunday)
- Adhara Pana: 11<sup>th</sup> July 2022 (Monday)
- Niladri Bije: 12<sup>th</sup> July 2022 (Tuesday)

Venue: AOA Office Premises, Behind Annapurna Shed, Anushaktinagar Mumbai - 400094



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## **Anushaktinagar Oriya Association**

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Anushaktinagar Oriya Association (AOA) consists of Odia speaking employees serving Department of Atomic Energy, Government of India. The association has a broad objective towards furthering the cultural & social heritage and tradition of our country. The association is contributing invarious platforms for exchange of Odia culture and other Indian traditions. The association was initiated in 1997 and has been involved in organizing classical dance, drama and also encouraging literature aptitude in children through the annual publication of a souvenir. The association was formally registered in 2008. AOA has started Shree Jagannath Ratha Yatra (Car Festival) in Anushaktinagar in the year 2018 with limited resource but in the year 2019 the festival drew attention of thousands of people from Anushaktinagar Residential colony irrespective of cast, creed and religion. This was possible by the Grace of God and the active support of devotees. After a halt of two years due to Pandemic, the association is organising Ratha Yatra 2022. Your patronage will help us to organise this festival.

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