



RAAHII 6 — Himalaya Edge: Darjeeling–Tumling Trek

ITENARY (The Plan)

Dates: Thu 8 Jan 2026 → Tue 13 Jan 2026 (arrival Gorakhpur)

Group: 60 (51 students, 9 crew) • Mode: Sleeper rail + bus/jeeps • Trains: Lohit Express 15652 (out) / 15651 (return)

Day 0 — Thu, 8 Jan 2026 | Gorakhpur → NJP (overnight)

- 18:45 Report at **Gorakhpur Jn** main gate (ID check, subgroup lists, coach map).
- 20:15 Move to platform; settle coaches (girls + female staff contiguous).
- ~21:00 Coach briefing & lights policy.
- 20:50 Board & depart: Lohit Express 15652 (GKP → NJP).
 - *Meals:* Carry early dinner or packed meal (no group service tonight).

Day 1 — Fri, 9 Jan 2026 | Arrive NJP → Darjeeling (Stay: Darjeeling)

- 13:35 Arrive NJP → regroup outside the exit gate.
 - 13:45–14:15 — BRUNCH (NJP concourse/food court): light thali / sandwiches + water refill.
 - 14:15 Transfer to **Siliguri (Tenzing Norgay Bus Terminus)** → state bus / shared jeeps to Darjeeling (≈3–4 h).
 - ~17:30–18:30 Check-in at Darjeeling, room allotment.
 - 18:45–19:30 Evening walk: Mall Road/Chowrasta → Observatory Hill → Tea-garden viewpoint.
 - 19:30–20:30 — DINNER (hotel/group restaurant): simple veg set (dal–sabzi–roti–rice).
 - 21:30 Lights-out; prep next day's IDs and layering.
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Day 2 — Sat, 10 Jan 2026 | Darjeeling local day (Stay: Darjeeling)

- 05:00–07:30 (optional) Tiger Hill sunrise → Batasia Loop & War Memorial → Ghum Monastery → back to town.
- 08:00–08:45 — BREAKFAST at hotel.
- 11:30–14:00 Rock Garden (valley park; photos, controlled movement).
- 12:45–13:30 — BRUNCH (near Rock Garden / packed): poori–sabzi / sandwiches + fruit.
- 15:30–17:30 Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park & HMI Museum (or free Mall Road window for one subgroup).
- 19:15–20:15 — DINNER (hotel/group restaurant).

20:30 Trek-day briefing; confirm 5 subgroups (~12 each), guides assigned, gear check.

Day 3 — Sun, 11 Jan 2026 | Darjeeling → Dhotrey → Trek to Tumling (Stay: Tumling)

- 06:15 Depart Darjeeling → Dhotrey by jeeps (≈2.5–3 h).
 - 08:45–09:15 Singalila NP permit & registered guides at Dhotrey gate; tea/snack halt.
 - 09:30–12:30 Trek: Dhotrey (~2,600 m) → Tonglu/Tumling (~3,000 m), 6–8 km, easy–moderate forest trail; regroup at clearings. (Optional 15–20 min detour to Tonglu top for panorama.)
 - 13:00–14:00 — BRUNCH / LUNCH (Tumling homestay): hot khichdi–sabzi / rice–dal.
 - 16:30 Sunset viewpoint walk; safety headcount.
 - 19:00–20:00 — DINNER (Tumling homestay): veg meal; warm broth recommended.
 - Overnight: heated dining area available; lights-out 21:30.
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Day 4 — Mon, 12 Jan 2026 | Tumling → Dhotrey (trek down) → Darjeeling → NJP (Board return)

- 06:15 Sunrise window; 07:15 breakfast, check-out.
- 08:15–10:30 Trek down: Tumling → Dhotrey (mostly descent, 2–3 h).
- 11:00–11:30 — BRUNCH (Dhotrey tea-house): Maggi/poha/tea + ORS top-ups.
- 11:30–13:30 Jeeps Dhotrey → Darjeeling.
- 16:45–17:30 — EARLY DINNER (Darjeeling group restaurant): thali; pack an extra dry snack

for train.

- 17:30–19:00 Transfer downhill to Siliguri/NJP with buffer (road margin).
 - 21:45 Board return: Lohit Express 15651 (NJP → GKP).
 - Meals: Train snack window 22:15–22:30 (packed).
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Day 5 — Tue, 13 Jan 2026 | Arrive Gorakhpur — Trip close

- ~13:45 Arrive Gorakhpur Jn; disperse to guardians/college per list.
- Post-ops: staff closes attendance, collects feedback & media.

