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UNION TERRITORY OF  
**LADAKH**



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**Tathāgata**

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## Sacred Exposition of the Holy Relics of the Tathagata

peace beyond borders | 1<sup>st</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> May 2026

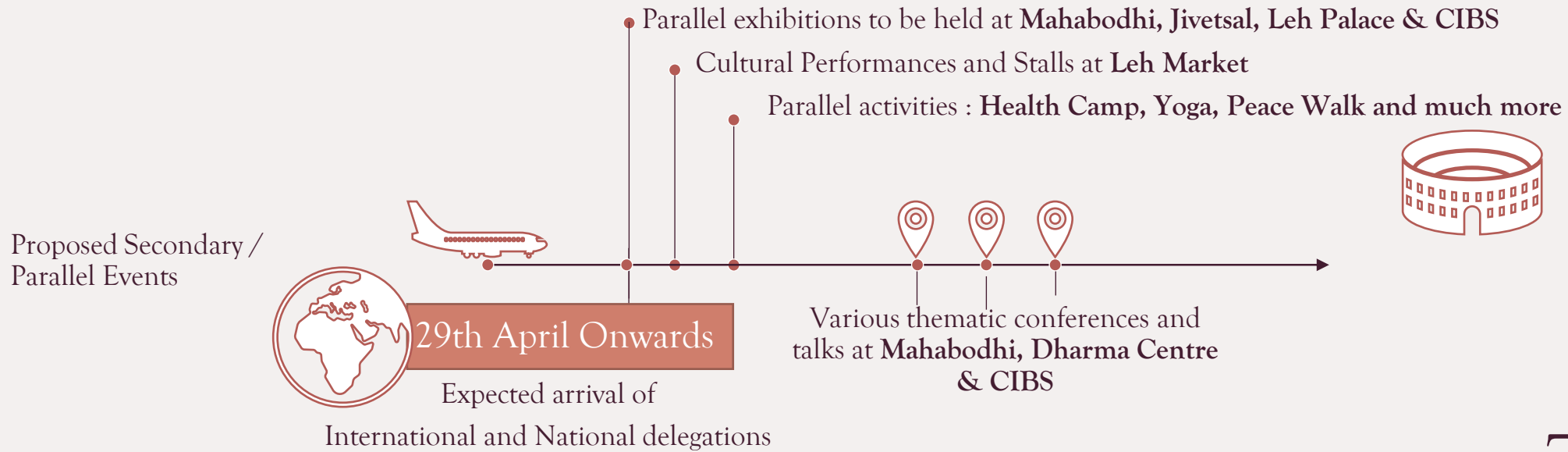
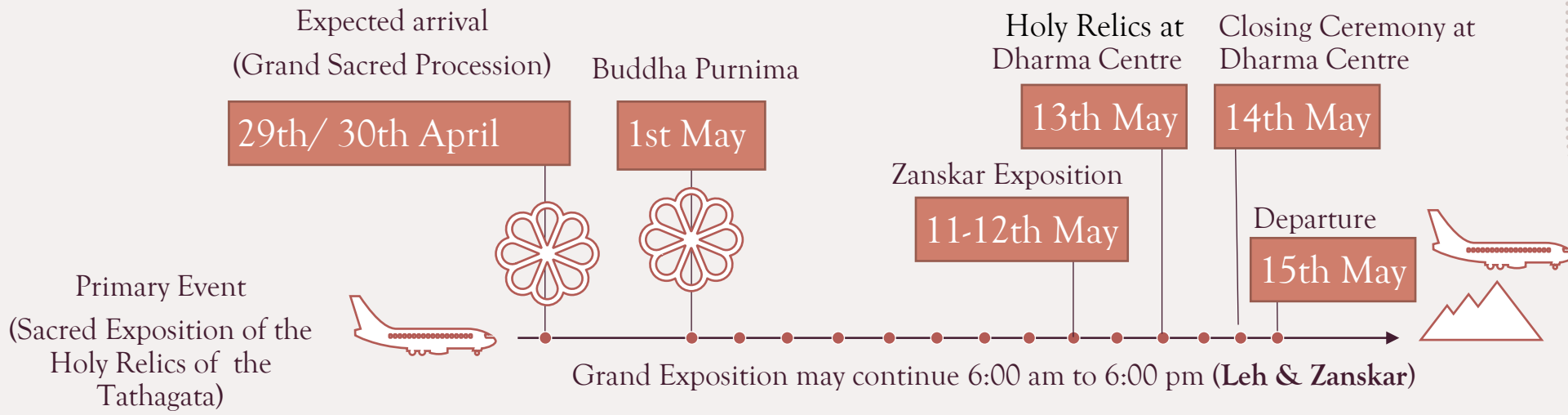
commemorating the **2569th Vesak Buddha Purnima**

# Programme Schedule | 21 April - 15 May 2026, Leh & Zanskar

Day	Date	Time	Engagements	Venue	
#	21-29 April	5:00 am – 6:00 am	<b>Special Prayers</b> at Gonpas at Phyang-21 <sup>st</sup> , Likir 22 <sup>nd</sup> , Taktok-23 <sup>rd</sup> , Chemdey-24 <sup>th</sup> , Hemis-25 <sup>th</sup> , Matho-26 <sup>th</sup> , Stakna-27 <sup>th</sup> , Thiksey-28 <sup>th</sup> & Spituk-29 <sup>th</sup> <b>by LGA</b> 🙏	Gonpas	
#	28/29 April	09:00 am - 11:00 am	Arrival of the Holy Relics from Delhi and the Sacred Grand Procession 🙏	KBR Airport to Jivetsal	
1	1 May	8:30 am – 12:30 pm	Celebration of the 2569 <sup>th</sup> Vesak Buddha Purnima <b>by LBA &amp; LGA</b> 🙏	Jivetsal Leh	
			[Ceremonial Inauguration of] Holy Relic Exposition with Rituals and Prayers 🙏		
	1-14 May	09:00 am	[Opening of] Food & Handicraft Stalls ❖	Dharma Centre	
			[Inauguration] Exhibition on Guru Padmasambava (in Bhoti) <b>by IBC</b> ❖		CIBS Leh
			[Inauguration] Exhibition on Ladakh's Anthropology <b>by National Museum</b> ❖		
1 May	07:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Release of Lanterns to I 2569 <sup>th</sup> Birth Year of the Tathagata 🙏			
2	2-14 May	06:00 am – 06:00 pm	<b>[Opening] of Holy Relics for Public Veneration in Leh</b> 🙏	Jivetsal Leh	
			[Inauguration] Exhibition on 'Unearthing the Sacred Piprahwa Relic and Cultural Engagement of Contemporary India' <b>by IBC</b> ❖		
	07:00 am – 08:00 am	Meditation Session <b>by MIMC</b> ❖	MIMC		
		Yoga Session <b>by MIMC</b> ❖			
		Medical Health Camp <b>by MIMC</b> ❖			
	2 May	11:00 am - 1:00 pm	H.E. Kushok Bakula Rinpoche Memorial Lecture Series <b>by IBC &amp; CIBS</b> 🙏	CIBS Leh	
2-13 May	06:00 pm – 08:00 pm	Evening Cultural Performances 🙏	Leh Market		
3	3 May	10:00 am – 03:00 pm	International Conference on Himalayan Buddhism <b>by IBC</b> 🙏	MIMC	

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4	4 May	5:30 pm – 7:00 pm	Youth Programme <i>by H.E Chogyong Palga Rinpoche</i>	CIBS
5	5 May	11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Chod Prayer Ceremony <i>by Druk Padma Karpo School</i>	Jivetsal
6	6 -8 May	11:00 am – 03:00 pm	Thangka Painting, Woodcarving, Manuscript Preservation & Clay Sculpture Workshop <i>by CIBS</i>	CIBS Leh
7	7 May	04:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Movie Screening on H.E. Kushok Bakula Rinpoche <i>by IBC</i>	CIBS Leh
8	8 May	11:00 am- 4:00 pm	Interfaith Dialogue <i>by MIMC</i>	MIMC
9	9 May	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Conference on Past, Present, and Future of Buddhism in Ladakh <i>Chaired by H.E. Drukpa Thuksey Rinpoche</i>	Dharma Centre
10	10-14 May	09:00 am – 05:00 pm	Monlam Chenmo [Grand Special Prayer] by 2000 Monks <i>by LGA</i>	Dharma Centre
11	11 May	06:00 am – 11:00 pm	Departure of Holy Relics to Zanskar and Procession <i>by ZBA &amp; ZGA</i>	Zanskar
		01:00 pm – 6:00 pm	<b>Holy Relics for Public Veneration in Zanskar</b> <i>by ZBA &amp; ZGA</i>	
12	12 May	6:00 pm – 06:00 pm		Karsha Photang Monastery
		10:00 am – 11:00 am	Buddhist Chanting of Ladakh, Inscribed by UNESCO <i>by LGA</i>	
		11:00 pm – 02:00 pm	Silent Peace Walk (Chamba Choskor) <i>by LBA &amp; LGA</i>	
13	13 May	06:00 am – 12:00 pm	Returing of Holy Relics form Zanskar to Leh	Leh
		12:00 pm – 6:00 pm	<b>Veneration for Monks and Nuns in Leh</b>	Dharma Centre
		05:30 pm – 7:00 pm	A talk session on “Modern Science & Buddhist Philosophy,” Ven. Geshe Dorji Damdul <i>by Flowering Dharma</i>	CIBS Leh
14	14 May	6:00 am – 2:00 pm	Veneration of Holy Relics for Monks and Nuns	Dharma Centre
		4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Closing Ceremony with Spiritual Cham Performance <i>by LGA</i>	
#	15 May	08:00 am – 10:00 am	Procession and Departure of the Holy Relics to Delhi <i>by LBA &amp; LGA</i>	KBR Airport

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# Timeline

# Arrival of Sacred Relics of the Tathagata

## 29/30 April



1. Delegations receiving at KBR Airport : Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, Chief Secretary and key members of the coordination committee to receive the Holy Relics in Leh.
2. List of Eminent Rinpoches to accompany the Holy Relics from Delhi to Leh : Names of Rinpoches from each major sect of Vajrayana Buddhism in Ladakh to be sent to the Ministry of Culture for approval.
3. Grand procession by LBA.



# Celebration of 2569<sup>th</sup> Buddha Purnima

- Arrival of the Procession at Jivetsal
- Lharna (Traditional Musical Offering)
- Offering of Tsogs, Lighting and Prayers by the Venerable Monks.
- Tibetan Cultural Program
- Dance Performance :- (Nomadic dance and folk dance)
- Closing of the Occasion with Auspicious Tashispa Dance

*(expected devotees and guests – 10,000)*





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## Daily Veneration Plan of Holy Relics at Jive-Tsal

**2<sup>nd</sup> May  
to  
10<sup>th</sup> May**

*(expected devotees and  
guests – 8,000 / day)*



**Additional parallel event :**

**5<sup>th</sup> May - Chod Prayer Ceremony** ~*Druk Padma Karpo School*

# KEY INVITEES

## *Sacred Buddha Relics Exposition*

### CHIEF MINISTERS OF INDIAN STATES

- ◆ Arunachal Pradesh
- ◆ Sikkim
- ◆ Maharashtra
- ◆ Madhya Pradesh
- ◆ Bihar
- ◆ Himachal Pradesh
- ◆ Karnataka
- ◆ Uttar Pradesh

### UNION MINISTERS

- ◆ Home Affairs
- ◆ External Affairs
- ◆ Tourism and Culture
- ◆ State in the Ministry of Home Affairs
- ◆ Parliamentary and Minority Affairs
- ◆ State in the Ministry of Culture
- ◆ State in the Ministry of Tourism

### BUDDHIST INSTITUTIONS

- ◆ Dargyeling Monastery
  - ◆ International Geluk Foundation
  - ◆ Kundeling Monastery
  - ◆ Drepung Loseling Monastery
  - ◆ Palpung Sherabling Monastery
  - ◆ Jangchubling Monastery
- And more

### AMBASSADORS

- ◆ Nepal
- ◆ Thailand
- ◆ Japan
- ◆ Myanmar
- ◆ Bhutan
- ◆ Cambodia
- ◆ Malaysia
- ◆ South – Korea
- ◆ Russia
- ◆ Sri - Lanka
- ◆ Vietnam
- ◆ Taiwan

# Parallel Events at Mahabodhi

*Celebrating Wisdom, Wellness & Heritage*

Daily Schedule · 02–14 May 2026

- Meditation Session
- Yoga Session
- Medical Health Camp

## Special Events

- International Conference on Himalayan Buddhism
- Interfaith Dialogue
- Film Screening: Kushok Bakula Rinpoche  
The Extraordinary Story of an Extraordinary Monk



Mahabodhi International Meditation Centre · Leh, Ladakh

# Parallel Events at Leh Palace

- ❖ Inauguration of Ladakh Anthropological Exhibition which would offer cultural experience Showcasing Ladakh's Living Heritage



# Parallel Event at Dharma Centre

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 01 Inauguration of Guru Padmasambhava Exhibition (Bhoti) ~ International Buddhist Confederation
- 02 Buddhist Chanting of Ladakh (UNESCO Recognised)
- 03 Sacred Cham Dance Performance
- 04 Seminar on Past, Present and Future of Buddhism in Ladakh ~ H.E. Thuksey Rinpoche



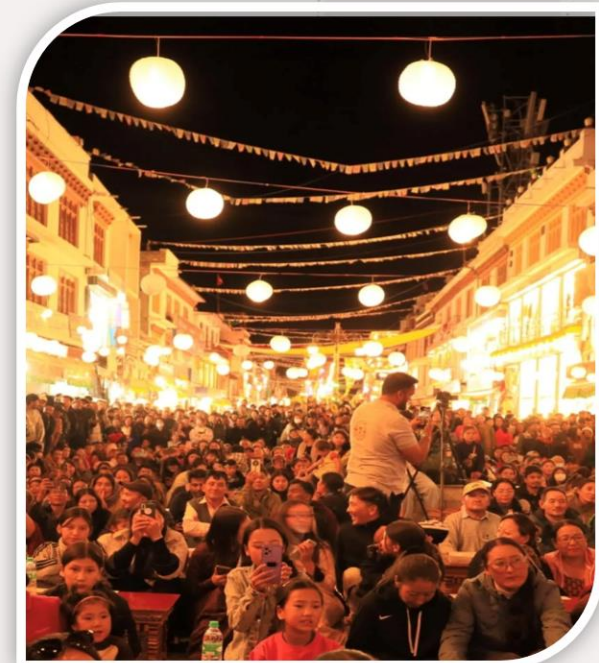
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# Parallel Events at Leh Market

Daily evening cultural performances

1. Traditional Music & Dance
2. Local Art & Cultural Presentations
3. Public Engagement & Cultural Experience Zone





# Parallel Events at CIBS

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- **Guru Padmasambhava Exhibition (English)**

*By International Buddhist Confederation*

- **Kushok Bakula Rinpoche Memorial Lecture Series**

- **Workshops** - *Thangka Painting, Woodcarving,  
Manuscript Preservation & Clay Sculpture*

- **Talk: Modern Science & Buddhist Philosophy**

*By Geshe Dorji Damdul*



# Parallel Event by IBC (Review & Updates)

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

01

**Inauguration of Guru Padmasambhava Exhibition**  
*~ International Buddhist Confederation (at Dharma Cent & CIBS)*

02

**Release of 2569 Lanterns commemorating the 2569th Vesak Buddha Purnima at Jivetsal on 1 May**

03

**Exhibition on “Unearthing the Piprawaha Sacred Relics” at Jivetsal 2 to 14<sup>th</sup> May**

04

***International Conference on Himalayan Buddhism***  
***On 3<sup>rd</sup> May at CIBS***

05

***Movie Screening on “Kushok Bakula Rinpoche”***  
***on 7 May at CIBS***





## Arrival & Departure Schedule & Planning for Zanskar

- **Arrival of Holy Relics at Padum, By Air (Helipad, Padum)** on 11 May 2026.
- **Public Veneration of Holy Relics, Photang, Padum**
- **Religious Ceremonies & Prayers by Monastic Community**
- **Local Community Participation & Spiritual Gatherings**
- **Logistics, Security & Crowd Management Arrangements**
- **Departure of Holy Relics from Padum to Leh** on 13 May 2026



11th May  
to  
12th May

(expected devotees and  
guests – 15000 )

## Daily Veneration Plan of Holy Relics at Zanskar



Closing Ceremony  
on 14<sup>th</sup> at Jive-tsal

departure procession  
plan on 15<sup>th</sup> Morning  
(Leh to Delhi)

