





Map of Vaishali

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- Bajidpur Stupa
- Noonfar Stupa
- Chechar Buddhist Temple

District	: Vaishali
Commissionary	: Tirhut
Headquater	: Hajipur
Sub-Division	: Hajipur, Mahua, Mahnar.
Population	: 27,12,389 (28 Lacs)
Area	: 2,036 Sq. Km.
Sea Level	: 52 Meter
Temperature	: Summer – 44° C - 20° C Winter – 22° C - 5° C
Rainfall	: 120 cm.
Best Season	: November - February
Road Route	: 65 Km from Patna. (36 Km from Muzzaffarpur, 137 Km from Pawapuri, 145 Km from Rajgir).
Rail Route	: Main Railway Station - Hajipur (35 Km) Nearest Railway Station - Muzzaffarpur (35 Km)
Air Connectivity	: Main Airport - Patna (Gaya, Varanasi Direct Link) Nearest Airport - Gaya (12 Km)

# VAISHALI

Vaishali was a city in Bihar, India, and is now an archeological site. It was the capital city of the Licchavi, world's first republics, in the Vajjian Confederacy (Vriji) mahajanapada, around the 6th century BCE. It was here in 599 BCE the 24th Jain Tirthankara, Bhagwan Mahavira was born and brought up in Kundalagrama in Vaisali republic, which makes it a pious and auspicious pilgrimage to Jains. Also Gautama Buddha preached his last sermon before his death in c. 483 BCE, then in 383 BCE the Second Buddhist council was convened here by King Kalasoka, making it an important place in both Jain and Buddhist religions.

## ABHISHEK PUSHKARINI

The lake where the selected leaders of 'Vaishali' were anointed during the coronation ritual. The Lichhavi clan, who were ardent follower of the Buddha devised the world's first republic system to rule their state by electing the ruler.



Abhishek Pushkarini

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The pitcher with the relic is now preserved in the Patna Museum.



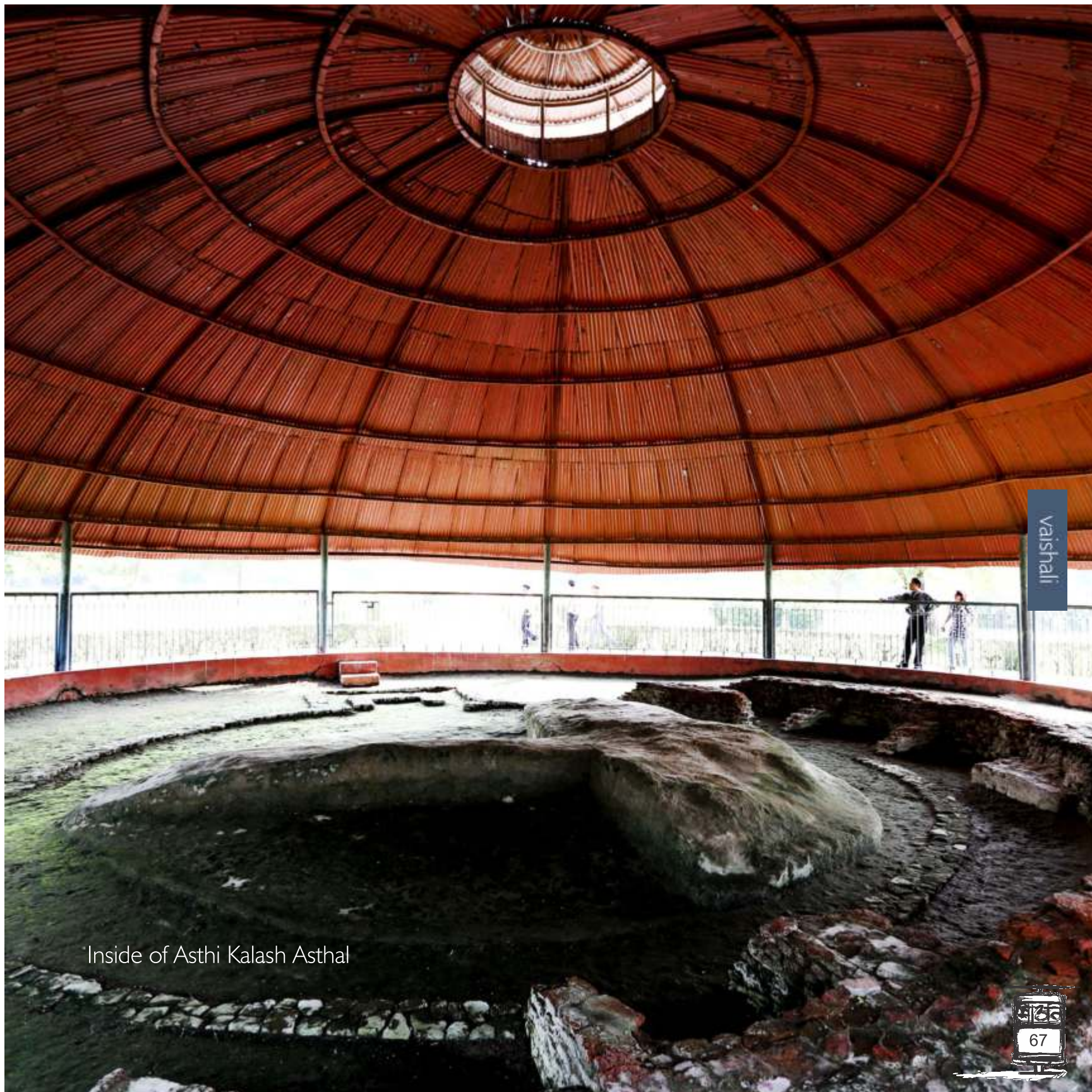
## **ASTHI KALASH STHAL (BUDDHA RELICS)**

The legend of the worldly remains of The Great Soul;

The Buddha bade farewell to his loving devotees of the Vaishali city and went towards Kushinagar where he breathed his last. His remains were said to have been kept in Vaishali under the supervision of the 'Lichhavis' and later divided into eight parts as requested by the other devoted Kings of the surrounding regions. On this one-eighth portion, a Stupa here was built by the 'Lichhavis'.

The Great Ashoka when wished to build Stupas following the Nirvana path of the Buddha, he took out the remains from the Stupas and divided them into 80,000 portions and build the Stupas and pillars all over the Magadhan Empire.





Inside of Asthi Kalash Asthal



# THE VISHWA SHANTI STUPA

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Side view of Vishwa Shanti Stupa

Built by Indosan Nipponji, Japan is claimed to be the world's highest stupa with its height of 146' and the diameter of 120'. Built in 1996, it situates next to 'Abhishek Pushkarini'.



Front view of Vishwa Shanti Stupa

*“Plant the seed of meditation and reap the fruit of peace of mind.”*  
-Buddha



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*“Meditation and concentration are the way to a life of serenity.”*  
-Buddha



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## KOLHUA STUPA

35 km from the District Headquarter Hajipur, 3.5 Km North-West of Vishwa Shanti Stupa, at Kolhua, Emperor Ashoka erected a pillar and a Stupa to commemorate the event of Buddha's 'Last Sermon' delivered at this place. Finely polished, monolithic, the 43.5' high red sand stone pillar bears a life size majestic lion capital atop making it one of the rare standing 'Ashokan Pillar'.

A large Stupa built in bricks by Ashoka stays next to it along with a tank; 'Ramkund'.



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## CHECHAR VILLAGE COMPLEX

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*Situated: 18 km off district headquarter in Hajipur, on Mahnar Road.*

Significance: In the ancient Buddhist Texts this site finds its mention as Kotigram, a resting place for the Buddha during many of his journeys from Pataliputra to Vaishali.

This place is supposed to be the 'Vishalpuri' founded by the King Vishala as mentioned in Ramayana.



This region is known as 24 Village Complex of Chechar:

Chechar, Kutubpur, Bajidipur, Mathurapur, Navanagar, Pakauli, Kanchanpur, Bidupur, Bhairapur, Kilwat, Bihwarpur, Kataharia, Ramdauli, Ameer, Majalispur, Gopalpur, Bagsaiatkhan, Khalsa, Gobindpur, Maniyarpur, Hasanchak, Mustafapur, Chandpur, Saidpur.

The remains of nine Buddhist stupas are found in this village complex: 3 Stupas in Chechar Village, 3 Stupas in Kutubpur village, one Stupa in Bajidpur village, one Stupa in Mathurapur and one Stupa in Navanagar. Hiuen-Tsang in Gupta period (320-550 AD) mentioned this place as 'Shewtpur' or the "Land of Purity".



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## RAJA VISHAL KA GARH

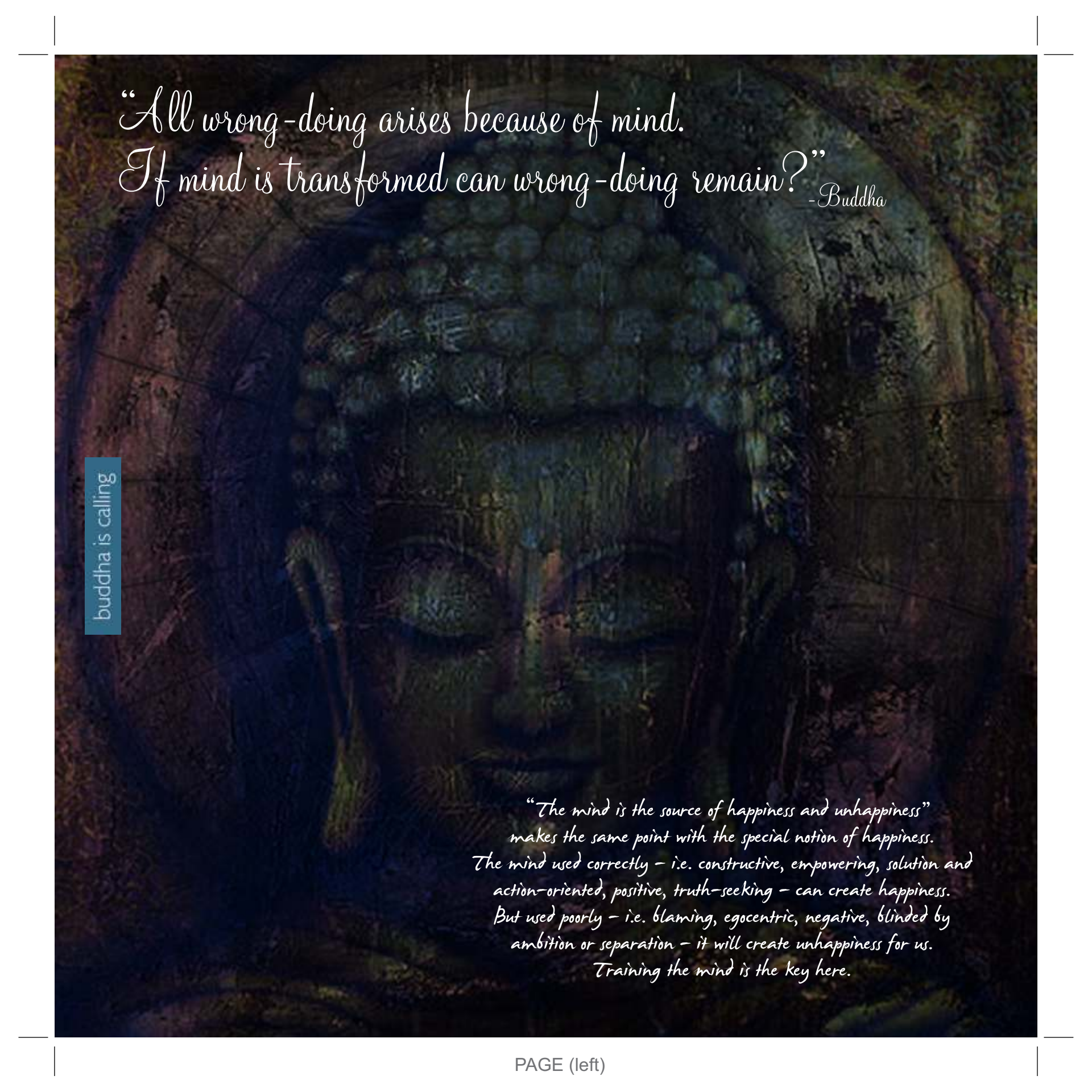
*Situated: 35 Km from district headquarter Hazipur.  
At Basadh village, Vaishali Sadar*

This huge mound having a circumference of about 1.5 km was supposed to be the ancient parliament house of the Lichhavi's during 6th Century BC. As per the historians, this was the seat of the world's first republic system. The ruin that appears as a fort is believed to have been the meeting point of the 7707 members in the Republic of Viashali. There are many archaeological artefacts which were found during the excavation of this region that are kept at the Chechar Museum and Vaishali Archaeological Museum.



Raja Vishal Ka Garh





*“All wrong-doing arises because of mind.  
If mind is transformed can wrong-doing remain?”  
-Buddha*

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*“The mind is the source of happiness and unhappiness”  
makes the same point with the special notion of happiness.  
The mind used correctly – i.e. constructive, empowering, solution and  
action-oriented, positive, truth-seeking – can create happiness.  
But used poorly – i.e. blaming, egocentric, negative, blinded by  
ambition or separation – it will create unhappiness for us.  
Training the mind is the key here.*