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Introduction to Hyderabad and Surroundings

A small, but excellent guide to Hyderabad can be found in many bookshops: *Hyderabad*, published by Disha Books. Look for a small silver-colored book about 4 by 6 inches in size, with red lettering on the cover. This book has a very informative section about all the major and minor places of both historic and modern interest in the Hyderabad area. It has an excellent map of the city, laid out in grids; and lots of useful and interesting information. It is highly recommended as a supplement to this guide.

History

Megalithic circle tombs near Secunderabad and simple stone tools found at Patancheru are evidence of the earliest scattered settlements in the area around today's busy city of Hyderabad.

By the 2nd century A D, Nagarjuna, south of Hyderabad, was a center for Buddhist pilgrims from China and southeast Asia. Some nine centuries later the Jain rulers, the Chalukyas, made nearby Patancheru the capital of their empire for a short time. In the 11th century, Muslim invaders, bringing with them both Persian and Arab cultural heritages, began to dominate the tiny kingdoms of the Deccan, and it was they who founded the Bahamani kingdom in the 13th century.

In 1512 the Qutb Shahi kings seized the reins of power from the disintegrating Bahamani kingdom, and from the fortress city of Golconda, established their rule over the predominantly Hindu rural population of the area.

Both the kingdom and the city flourished. Ibrahim Qutb Shah's bridge over the Musi River,

known as the Purana Pul, was praised by the intrepid 17th century trader and adventurer Jean-Baptiste Tavernier, who compared it with the Pont Neuf in Paris. He also commented on the good fish from the many reservoirs in the kingdom, including Husain Sagar.

Water supplies for Golconda were inadequate, however, and epidemics of plague and cholera were frequent. The nobles appealed to Muhammad Quli Qutb Shah to build a new city, and in 1591 Hyderabad was laid out on the grid system then popular with Persian city planners.

The new city was on open land east of the fort on the main trade route to Machilipatnam, the great trading center of the kingdom and India's only deepwater port on the east coast at that time. At its center stood the Charminar, the Four Towers, a commemorative archway that art historian Percy Brown has described as the outstanding architectural monument of the Qutb Shahi period.

Successful businesses in diamonds, pearls, steel, and printed fabric known as kalamkari, or chintz, were transferred from the old fortress community to the bazars of the new city. In the city there were many new palaces as well as spacious gardens. One such garden, the Bagh-i-Dilkusha, the "garden of heart's happiness," covered an area of more than 14 square kilometers, from present-day Bashirbagh to the Musi River.

Tavernier's description of the changing of the guard in his book, *Travels in India*, written more than 300 years ago, gives us an idea of the colorful life in the bazar:

"The principal nobles mount guard every Monday, each in his tour, and they are not relieved before the end of a week. Some of these nobles command 5,000 or 6,000 horses, and encamp under tents around the town. When they mount guard each goes from his home to the rendezvous, but when they leave it they march in good order across the bridge, and thence by the main street they assemble in the square in front of the balcony. In the van ten or twelve elephants march, the number representing the rank of the officer who goes off guard. Some of them bear cages (howdahs) somewhat resembling the body of a small coach, while others carry only their drivers, and another man who holds a sort of banner in place of the cage.

"After the elephants the camels follow two by two, sometimes up to thirty or forty. Each camel has its saddle and on it is fixed a small culver in which a man, clad in a skin from head to foot, like a pantaloons, and seated on the crupper of the camel with a lighted match in hand, quickly turns from side to side before the balcony where the King is seated.

"After them come the carriages, around which the servants walk on foot, after which the led-horses appear, and finally the noble to whom this whole equipment belongs, preceded by ten or twelve courtesans, who await him at the end of the bridge, leaping and dancing before him up to the square. After him the cavalry and infantry follow in good order. And as all that affords a spectacle, and has something of Pomp about it that amuses me...."

Hyderabad's initial period of prosperity came to an abrupt end in 1650 with the Mughal ruler Aurangzeb's first siege of Golconda. The people of the new city fled into the fort for protection from the armies of this emperor, who coveted the

area's wealth to supplement his income from Aurangabad, to the northwest.

At one time Shah Jehan, Aurangzeb's father (who built the Taj Mahal at Agra), had been friendly with the Qutb Shahi kings and protected them from his ambitious heir. But the old man was imprisoned by his son and Golconda's protection vanished; in 1687 it was annexed to Aurangzeb's realms and administered from Aurangabad. Hyderabad's importance as an administrative and economic center declined and the city fell into partial ruin.

Aurangzeb continued the construction of Mecca Masjid, the mosque that had been started in 1614. But it is said that the towers of the structure are stunted because the emperor, not having the love of beautiful architecture for which his father was famed, would not provide adequate funds for the taller minars that were originally planned. By 1724 the Mughal empire was disintegrating and Asaf Jah I, Nizam-ul-Mulk the ruler of the Deccan country, broke away and established himself as virtually independent ruler of the southern realms. Hyderabad again became the capital in 1763 when the then Nizam realized that the eastern Deccan could be better ruled from there than from Aurangabad. Courtiers returned to the city, commerce and construction resumed; and the road north of Charminar became, as it is today, a major business district.

Population growth shifted in a new direction when the Subsidiary Alliance for military and political cooperation with the British East India Company was signed in 1798. On a ridge north of Husain Sagar across from Hyderabad some 5000 British troops were camped in the military cantonment; in 1806 this area was given the name of Secunderabad in honor of then Nizam Secunder Jah.

Within 50 years the cantonment had expanded to 50 000, and the area around it had become a thriving city. The Indian portion was called General Bazar and merchants there took advantage of concessions under the Subsidiary Alliance, now with the Crown rather than the East India Company, which permitted import of many commodities duty free. Cantonment personnel as well as the wealthy people of Hyderabad patronized Secunderabad merchants and the increased commerce resulted in rapid, chaotic growth of the community to the south toward Hyderabad.

The British Residency, today the home of the University College for Women, was completed in Hyderabad in 1806 and stimulated growth of a settlement for bankers, civil servants, and Europeans who worked for the Nizam's government. This area is now called Sultan Bazar and Chadarghat.

On a hill north of the Abids shopping area, the French built a gun casting factory; and today the area is still known as Gunfoundry. Indian Christians established their community in that area with schools and churches, which are still concentrated there. Two new bridges were built to cross the Musi River at Chadarghat and Afzalganj. The latter, known as Naya Pul or New Bridge, was the major link between the Nizam's Hyderabad on the south and the new suburbs of Begum Bazar and Sultan Bazar, north of the river.

When the Musi flooded in 1908, devastating the populated areas along the river banks, the Nizam moved his palace and a number of state offices to King Koti, leaving the old walled city of Hyderabad behind.

River banks within the city were raised to 30 feet and the land along the water made into

parks. The High Court, Osmania General Hospital, and the State Library were built on the new high banks. To control future floods and to add to the city's water supply, the Osman Sagar and Himayat Sagar reservoirs were built.

Hyderabad continued its growth to the north as the suburbs on Raj Bhavan Road were settled in the 1930s, followed later by the first settlements in Banjara Hills and eventually in rocky Jubilee Hills. Secunderabad had its share of renovation. Crowded James Street, now Mahatma Gandhi Road, was finally supplemented when the Kingsway (now Rashtrapathi Road) was constructed as the only true thoroughfare in the busy business area.

Independence came to India in August 1947. Hyderabad, the largest of the princely states before independence, joined the Indian Union in 1948, with the city as its capital. Some Muslims from the governing class during the Nizam's rule left for Pakistan, but present-day Hyderabad still has a large Muslim population active in business and cultural affairs.

When the Telugu-speaking State of Andhra Pradesh was created in 1956 from the former states of Madras and Hyderabad, the city of Hyderabad became its capital. Marathi- and Kannada-speaking portions of the former state became parts of Maharashtra and Karnataka to the west.

Hyderabad is now over 400 years old. It is a bustling metropolis where multistoried buildings and wide streets contrast with narrow lanes and old buildings dating back to the Qutb Shahi kings; where modern factories belch forth the smoke of industry and cottage workers turn out some of the finest handmade crafts in the world; where ox carts jostle with diesel lorries; and where old and new India are one.

The Nizam's Ancestry

Abu Bakr

died 634

Shiek Shihabuddin

died 1161

Abu Mouhammad Hifz

Zain-ud-Din

Alla-ud-Din

Taj-ud-Din

Fatebulla

Najibulla

Shiek Javid

Fatehulla II

Shiek Javid II

Muhammad Momin

Mir Muhammad Alam

Azizan-i-Alam

Mir Ismail

Alam Shiek

Khaja Abid Chin Qilich Khan died 1654

Obazi-ud-Din Khan Firuz Jung

Asaf Jah 1 1724 (Battle of Shakar
Nizam Ali Khan 2 Kheda, and the founding of
the de facto sovereign state
of Hyderabad)

Sikandar Jah 3

Nasir-ud-dowla 4

Afzal-ud-Dowla 5

Mehboob Ali Khan 6

Osman Ali Khan 7

Azam Jah (father of the present incumbent)

Barkat Ali Khan (assumed the title of Nizam
after his grandfather, as his
father was considered unfit
to fill the role. But this is of
academic interest. The
Nizamate ended with the
seventh Nizam.)

Khaja Abid, grandfather of Asaf Jah I, was born in Ali-Abad, in the neighborhood of Samarkhand, in the Kingdom of Bukhara (present day Uzbekistan). His mother was from the family of Mir Hamdan of Samarkhand. His father, Alam Shiek, originally came from Suhraward, a small

town in Kurdistan, and traced his descent to Shiek Shihabuddin, a great spiritual teacher and founder of one of the Sufi schools in Islam.

Shihabuddin called himself a descendant of Abu Bakr, the first Caliph of Islam, who succeeded the Prophet.

Khaja Abid first came to India in 1654-55, in the twenty-ninth year of the Emperor Shajehan's reign. He was offered a post in the Imperial service. He rose to high office in the reign of the Emperor Aurangazeb, who succeeded his father, Shahjehan.

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Crafts and Cottage Industries

Bidriware

The craft of making bidri metal objects developed in the fortress town of Bidar, near Hyderabad, and has been established in India for more than 400 years. It originated in Iran and Syria during Mughal times.

Metal used for the base is an alloy of zinc and copper. After casting and molding, the surface is filed smooth. It is then temporarily blackened with a copper sulfate solution and etched in a traditional design by using a sharp iron tool. Silver, either wire or in thin sheets, is beaten into the design grooves and the temporary black surface removed.

During the final oxidation process, the shiny surface is briefly heated and rubbed with a thick paste of ammonium chloride mixed with clay from the walls of Bidar Fort.

The result is a remarkable black matte base that contrasts with the shining silver inlay design. The final step is using groundnut or coconut oil to polish the item, which may be a vase, bangle, or delicate box. This ancient process can be observed at Mumtaz Bidri Works Coop Society, 22-1-1042 Dar-ush-Shifa, Hyderabad (tel 523843) or Yaqoob Brothers, 995 Habeeb Nagar, Hyderabad (tel 221163).

Nirmalware

Nirmal lacquerware is one of the crafts for which the Hyderabad area is noted. Wood or composition board is painted with designs and pictures, after which a brilliant, lustrous lacquer is applied. Toys, pictures, trays, and furniture are currently being made using lacquered wood. Older pieces that are occasionally found have a lovely muted glow. The factory and showroom of Nirmal In-

dustries is in Khairatabad, on the left side of the main road between Panjagutta and downtown Hyderabad; visitors are welcome to watch the precise workmanship.

Handloom Fabrics

Four major design techniques dominate the handloom cottons and silks for which Andhra Pradesh is famed.

Ikkat weaving involves tying and dyeing the yarn into a design before it is woven. The warp carries the design and it undergoes successive dyeings depending on the number of colors and intricacy of the design. Double ikkat is a special design where both the weft and warp threads are dyed for a two-way pattern. The villages of Pochampally and Koyalgudem are noted centers for ikkat weaving, which is carried out as a family enterprise by residents of the two communities.

Himroo weaving is a traditional cottage industry that originated in Aurangabad. The weavers produce a brocade-like fabric in cotton or silk, usually in floral designs, which typically incorporates gold thread. Himroo weaving can be seen near the bidri factory and at Deccan Exports in the village of Dargah, on the Old Bombay Road (A-27).

Block printing is the technique of printing a design on cotton or silk using a series of hand-carved wooden blocks. Chemical or vegetable dyes are used. The colors develop after washing, boiling, or steaming, then drying in bright sunlight. Hyderabad has been a center of block printing for about 75 years, and designs were initially influenced by the Persian school but in recent years the Lepakshi temple designs of South India have been adapted for a more commercial market. Manjira Designs, Road 11, Banjara Hills (B-50), welcomes visitors to watch the process.

Kalamkari, the fourth of these techniques, gained popularity during the 15th century in Andhra and is divided into two schools. The Machilipatnam school, named for a village on the east coast, uses block prints to create design outlines on cotton fabric. These are then filled in with color using a pen or "kalam". The designs are used for bedspreads, wall hangings, and saris. The Kalahasti school, centered in a village in southeastern Andhra, produces works drawn completely by hand and painted in vegetable colors. This work is largely used for wall hangings depicting stories from Indian mythology.

Handicrafts from all over India are shown at the annual All-India Industrial Exhibition each year from early January to mid-February on the Exhibition Grounds, Mukarramjahi Road, Hyderabad (C-29). In addition to discount sales, there are educational displays and an amusement park for children. All the handcrafted products described here are also usually available at Lepakshi and other shops listed in the Handicraft section of the Shopping Guide.

Clothing

In the bazars of Hyderabad and Secunderabad, the varied dress of the people reflects the groups who live here. Along Abid Road women in vividly colored saris dominate the scene. The sari is five meters of cotton, silk, brocade, or synthetic fabric that comes in every color and design imaginable, with no two ever alike - a tribute to the textile industry of India. It is folded into pleats and tucked into the waist of a full-length petticoat, which matches or complements the color of the sari. The end of the sari is usually draped over the left shoulder; it is called the pallu and is the most intricately designed part of the sari. The blouse worn with the sari is called a choli.

The salvar kameez originally came from North India, and is frequently worn by women of all ages. Salvars are wide-waisted trousers, full at the hips and tapered at the ankle. They are tied at the waist with a drawstring and topped by a kameez, a long, fitted tunic in a matching or a contrasting color. The bright scarf tossed across the throat with the ends hanging down the back is a dupatta. Churidars, tight-fitting trousers with small folds around the ankles, are worn with kurtas, loose shirts that are knee-length or longer. Very young Telugu girls wear long skirts called langa with matching blouses; at adolescence they add an oni wrapped around the torso and draped over the left shoulder.

Around Charminar, many Muslim women can be seen wearing the burqa. It is a dark garment, usually black, with a separate hood and covers the clothing completely. Their faces may be totally or partially veiled.

At many construction sites in the area, Banjara women can be seen doing heavy labor in colorful ghagaras, full skirts, usually red, with extensive mirror work at the border. With this they wear a backless choli and an odhni or shawl, also red and decorated with mirror work. Banjara women also wear heavy silver earrings and hair adornments and their arms are frequently covered up to the elbow with silver, ivory, or plastic bracelets.

The bangles worn by an Indian woman are carefully chosen to harmonize with her outfit, and though gold is preferred for elegant occasions, the studded glass bangles sold in shops in Laad Bazar near Charminar are a Hyderabad speciality. These come in a bewildering array of colors and designs. The two most common designs are kabutar ankh or "pigeon's eye" - three rows of stones with a different colored stone in

the middle, and simitisarak "cementstreet" - a flat white design on a metallic base. Look for the lac bangles made from resin, which come in colorful designs, also made in Hyderabad.

Men's clothing, like women's, reflects the varied cultural backgrounds of Hyderabadis. By day, the business and government communities usually wear Western attire. Also seen in the street are men wearing the dhoti, a white piece of muslin about four meters long, wrapped between the legs and tucked into the waist. Kurtas or jubbas are usually worn with the dhoti. Color in the streets is supplied by men wearing the lungi, a two-meter piece of brightly checked or striped cotton. It is pleated and tied at the waist and falls straight to the feet, or is often seen tucked up around the waist for more utilitarian knee-length use. Pyjamas, pants with a drawstring waist, are common for both leisure and day wear when topped with a kurta. In their homes, even the most staid businessmen wear dhotis, lungis, or pyjama kurtas.

On formal occasions, some men appear in the sherwani, a tightly fitted knee-length coat of silk or wool with a stand-up collar, and worn with white churidars. At formal occasions in Hyderabad both men and women wear beautiful pearls - the women necklaces, the men studs for their kurtas. The city has long been the center for pearls, and in his book, Tavernier describes the marketing here of pearls from Ceylon, Japan, and the West Indies by way of Europe. "Basra pearls," the old pearls from the Persian Gulf, can sometimes still be bought in the pearl market.

Cuisine

Hyderabad is known for its unique blend of the foods and spices of both North and South India. The cooking of North India is characterized by a

relatively greater use of dried spices, whereas the dishes of South India more often rely on green herbs. The combination of spices for any particular dish is called masala. A garam masala is a combination of cardamom, cinnamon, cloves, cumin, and coriander seeds, all ground into a powder. It is used as an accent, particularly in the dishes of North India.

Some Hindus prefer vegetarian dishes, and Hyderabadi cuisine is part of this tradition. The basic ingredients here are rice, wheat, legumes, and vegetables. Vegetarian meals are usually served on a thali, a stainless steel tray upon which are placed a number of small bowls called katoris. Each katori contains a vegetable or dal preparation and in the center of the tray is a large mound of plain, cooked rice. One common vegetable combination is guju: potatoes, beans, carrots, and cauliflower stewed with dahi or curd (yogurt) and coconut. A chutney of coconut, green chillies, tamarind, and mint ground into a paste is often served. Papads, also called pappadadis or pappadams, are very light, crisp chickpea flour wafers, which are served throughout the meal, and a bowl of plain curd is usually offered at the end.

Idlis are steamed breads of rice and black dal: the grains are soaked, fermented, and pulverized, then formed into flattened cupcake shapes before cooking. They are usually served at breakfast and as snacks or tiffin with sambhar, a thick soup of pigeonpea dal and vegetables spiced with sour tamarind. Sambhar is not to be confused with rasam, a lentil-based consomme flavored with tamarind that is usually very hot and spicy. Dosas are thin, crispy pancake-like breads made from pulverized rice and dal that has fermented. When filled with a spicy potato curry it is called masala dosa. The taste of these preparations is

characterized by fresh green masala, a combination of green coriander, green chillies, mint, curry leaves, fresh fenugreek, green onion, and other spices.

Two specialities of Hyderabad are baghara baigan, small eggplants stuffed with spices and cooked in a sauce flavored with tamarind, groundnut, and sesame; and mirchi ka salan, stuffed large green chillies in a similar sauce.

The city is noted for fine Mughalai cuisine. At a chowki dinner guests are seated on thin mattresses and bolsters at a low, square table and served such appetizers as tikka kabab, pieces of boned chicken rubbed with masala and then grilled in a tandoor, and pathar ka gosht, strips of lamb or mutton which have been marinated in masala and then grilled on heated stones. The main course is often biryani, a mixture of rice and meat or chicken cooked with green masala. Haleem, a mildly spiced mutton and wheat preparation, is a special dish traditionally eaten during the month of Ramzan, when devout Muslims fast during the daylight hours and dine after sundown. Other meat dishes commonly served are shami kababs, spicy meat balls, and nargesi kababs, ground meat with egg. Khotani kameeta, dried apricots cooked to a puree, is a favorite dessert. On festive occasions biryanis and puddings are sometimes decorated with finely beaten sheets of silver, which is consumed along with the delicacy. Artisans in the area behind Charminar prepare the metal, thinner than the finest paper, especially for culinary use.

An evening dinner party would not be properly concluded without an offering of paan: pieces of areca nut, coconut, cardamom, cloves, a little lime paste, or even tobacco, all enclosed in a betel leaf folded into a small cone shape, and which leaves a refreshing taste in the mouth.

Early in the morning in Hyderabad, as well as throughout the day, good, rich South Indian coffee is nearly always available. Both tea and coffee are served with hot milk and sugar.

Anyone with sharp eyes cannot miss seeing the numerous chaat bhandars, small pushcarts with glassed in sides which appear on the streets around lunchtime and stay out until late in the evening. Chaat is traditional fast food sold right on the street. While it did not originate in Hyderabad, it is also a part of the cuisine scene for anyone adventurous enough to try it. Different dishes are quickly assembled using ingredients such as chhole (chickpea curry), potato curry, tamarind sauce, curd, papris (fried wafers), pani puris (wafers in the shape of a ball and hollow inside), and sev, a type of fried noodle. Jal jheera is a special drink sold during the hot season and served in pani puris.

Festivals and Holidays

Religious festivals in Hyderabad are characterized by prayers, feasts with family and friends, new clothing, and processions. In many cases, the dates vary because both Islamic and Hindu years are based on the lunar calendar. Islamic festivals are celebrated nearly two weeks earlier from one year to the next, and certain major observances can occur in any month of the year.

January

Sankranti. This Hindu festival marking the end of the harvest season is the time for flying kites, which are then cut free to signify the removal of evil from the home. Entrances are decorated with **rangoli**, delicate designs made with chalk and colored powder. Sesame seeds are used both to flavor sweets, and to mix with bath water.

Republic Day. On 26 January 1950, India was proclaimed a republic, and this day is now marked annually with military parades and cultural pageants.

February

Mahashivratri is a day of fasting in honor of Lord Shiva, who forms a part of the Trinity: Brahma, the Creator of the Universe, Vishnu, the Preserver, and Shiva, the Destroyer. Hindus usually fast for 24 hours, often staying awake through the night chanting mantras or sacred hymns in front of the Shiva Linga, which symbolizes Lord Shiva.

March

Holi is a Hindu festival celebrating the advent of spring. It is a day for tossing colored powder and water at friends and acquaintances. On the eve of Holi there are huge bonfires to symbolize the burning of the mythological figure, Holika, and the destruction of evil.

April

Ugadi is the beginning of the Telugu New Year and acclaims Shalivahana, the son of a potter. New calendars are consecrated on this day. The traditional drink is pachadi, a mixture of unripe mango, neem flower, and brown sugar or jaggery in tamarind juice representing the sour, bitter, and sweet things a new year is bound to bring.

Easter is the celebration by the Christian community of the resurrection of Christ.

Mahavir Jayanti is the birth anniversary of Vardhamana Mahavira, who was the last Thirthankar (saint) of the Jains.

June

Id-ul-Fitr (Ramzan Id) is an Islamic holiday, and the entire month of Ramzan is a time of daily

fasting from sunrise to sunset. This holy time is not always observed in June, as its dates change every year in accordance with the moon. The Prophet Muhammad is said to have commanded fasting to counter growing gluttony, which threatened the health of his people during the seventh century. When the new moon is sighted at the end of the month, the Id is joyfully celebrated to mark the end of the period of abstinence; it is a time for visiting and eating sheer khurma, a thick, sweet dish that is served to guests.

August

Independence Day. On 15 August 1947 India's long struggle for freedom from British rule was won.

Id-ul-Zuha (Bakr-Id) commemorates Ibrahim's obedience to God's order for him to sacrifice his son, Ismael, as a sign of his faith. According to the traditional account, when Ibrahim removed the blindfold he had donned to carry out the difficult assignment, he found his son safely at his side and a slain ram on the altar. Muslims usually feast on slaughtered ram or goat on the Id-ul-Zuha,

Rakhi is an occasion for siblings to show their mutual affection. The sister ties a bright decoration around her brother's wrist to symbolize the bond between them. He then gives her a gift as an indication of his lifelong love, protection, and responsibility for her welfare.

September

Vinayak Chaturthi is the popular Hindu fete to Ganesh, the jolly pot-bellied elephant-headed god of wisdom and prosperity who is often shown sitting on or near his mount - a tiny rat. Ganesh is invoked before beginning anything, whether it is

work or prayers, since he is believed to remove obstacles to success.

During the Ganesh festival, families install a clay image of the god in their homes and decorate it with flowers, ornaments, and lights. Each day that the image remains in the home, the family performs puja, ceremonial worship, before it. On the last day of the festival, which may last from 1 to 21 days, the clay idol is carried in a lively procession through the streets to be immersed in a river, tank, lake, or the sea. In addition to family Ganesh ceremonies, there are also community processions throughout the city.

Muharram is the 10-day period of intense mourning for Shia Muslims marking the martyrdom of Imam Hussain, the Prophet Muhammad's grandson. He was killed on the plain of Karbala while traveling to Damascus to assert his claim to the caliphate. Ashura, the 10th day, is a time of total fasting and of penitential processions of young men.

October

Gandhi Jayanti. The 2nd of October is the anniversary of the birth of Mohandas K Gandhi, known as Mahatma Gandhi, the father of modern India.

Vijayadasami is a 10-day Hindu festival celebrating the triumph of good over evil. It is based on Rama's victory over the King Ravana, who had kidnapped Rama's wife, Sita. The Ramayana is enacted for nine nights and on Dassera, the 10th day, Hindu homes and cars are decked with marigolds, tools and books are rededicated to the deities, and new clothes are worn.

Dassera also coincides with Durga puja, which is observed only by Bengalis.

Diwali is named for the Sanskrit word **deepawali**, meaning "row of lamps". It is a joy-

ous Hindu festival, with homes brightly illuminated and the constant sound of exploding firecrackers. Everyone wears colorful clothes and visits friends and family as well as throwing colored powder and water. The festival begins early in the day, when women bathe in sweet oil and then pass small lighted oil lamps before the faces of the men in the family. The lighting of these earthen lamps is prefaced with the worship of Lakshmi, the goddess of wealth and good fortune.

November

Andhra Pradesh Formation Day. 1 November commemorates the creation of the province in 1956, uniting the Telugu-speaking populations of the former South Indian states of Madras, Mysore, and Hyderabad.

December

Christmas. 25 December is the day when Christians celebrate the birth of Christ in Bethlehem, and this holiday, with its tradition of gift giving, is popular even among non-Christian city dwellers.

Interesting Sights

Golconda Fort

The 13th century Golconda Fort (A-17) is dramatic and impressive. Originally built by the Kakatiyas as a small fort, Golconda was expanded and strengthened by the Qutb Shahis. Today the old Muslim fort has been invaded only by a bright Hindu temple, juxtapositioned near the top of the hill. The remains of the ancient water system by which water was moved through laminated clay pipes from ground level to hanging gardens above are still evident. The acoustics of the

fort are such that from the Durbar Hall at the very top of the fort you can hear hands being clapped some 380 steps below in the Grand Portico of the Bala Hissar near the entry gate. There is now a Sound and Light show at the fort that is well worth seeing. From November to February it is from 1830 to 1930, and March to October, 1900 to 2000. The show is in English on Sundays and Wednesdays, in Hindi on Tuesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, and in Telugu on Thursdays. The booking office at the fort opens daily at 1730. One-day advance booking can be made at the A P State Travel and Tourism Development Corporation at Yatri Nivas, Sardar Patel Road, Secunderabad from 1000 to 1200. Admission is Rs 15 for adults and Rs 10 for children aged 5-12 years.

Qutb Shahi Tombs

Within a kilometer to the north of Golconda Fort lie the stately tombs of the Qutb Shahi dynasty (A-18). Originally covered with intense blue and emerald green tiles, these onion-shaped domes have now lost their tiles and reflect the effects of pollution. In the center of each tomb is the sarcophagus, an imitation of the burial vault that lies in a crypt below. Open daily from 0930 to 1630, and closed on Fridays.

Paigah Tombs

These are the tombs of the Paigah nobles who served under the Nizams of Hyderabad some 200 years ago (A-23). The exteriors of these tombs are relatively simple while the interiors are intricately carved. They are located beyond Malakpet in Santosh Nagar, through a narrow lane opposite the Deccan Medical College.

Birla Mandir

Built by the Birla Trust in 1976, this Hindu temple (Map B) is constructed of white Rajasthani

marble and overlooks the Tank Bund: the view at sunset is beautiful

Birla Planetarium and Science Centre

Recent additions to Hyderabad's attractions, these modern sights are located next to the Birla Mandir, in the center of Hyderabad. Interesting and fun, these are good places to take children.

Monda Market

A visit to this market (Map D) is a must for anyone who really wants to experience Hyderabad. It's a great way to get a taste of food shopping, Indian-style, with lots of colorful people and vegetables midst a flurry of business and chatter. Located in Secunderabad, off Rashtrapathi Road.

Husain Sagar

The lake joins the twin cities of Hyderabad and Secunderabad with a 3-km dam or "bund". It was built in 1562 under the supervision of Husain Shah, brother-in-law of the king at that time. Husain was regarded as a saint and is entombed a short distance from the Qutb Shahi tombs.

Below the bund is Indira Park (Map B) with lawns, rose gardens, waterways and pavilions; a lovely spot for picnics and walks. To reach the park take the Lower Tank Bund Road from Secretariat Road. Turn right at first large street just before Lower Tank Bund Road divides. The first left after that will take you to the main entrance and parking area.

Sanjivayya Park (Map D) is also a picturesque spot for a picnic, located on a peninsula of Husain Sagar. It can be reached from Ministers Road, which runs between Mahatma Gandhi Road near the Sailing Club and Sardar Patel Road.

At the south end of the bund, close to the Secretariat, is the new Lumbini Park, from which one can take an excursion by boat to the large Buddha Statue recently erected in the middle of the lake.

Charminar

Literally meaning "four minars", Charminar (C-54) was built in 1592 by the fifth Qutb Shah to mark the center of the Old City of Hyderabad. On top of Charminar is an old mosque and a view of the bustling Old City. It is surrounded by the bazars of silversmiths, bangles, embroidery shops, marriage outfitters, perfume merchants, antique dealers, and pearl and jewellery shops.

Laad Bazar (Bangle Alley)

A short walk from Charminar (Map C) will take you to this narrow alley full of colorful, sparkling glass and metal bangles typical of Hyderabad. They're fragile! Look for the lac bangles, also a Hyderabad specialty.

Mecca Masjid

Situated close to Charminar, this is the biggest mosque, or masjid, in Hyderabad (Map C), and has a capacity of accommodating up to 10000 people! It was begun in 1617 by Sultan Mohammed Qutb Shah and finished by the Mughal Emperor Aurangzeb in 1694, nearly 77 years later. The masjid is said to contain a hair of the Prophet Mohammed; some bricks that are said to be made of soil brought from Mecca are visible over the main arch. For those Hyderabadis who will never make the pilgrimage to Mecca itself, this is next best thing. The masjid is an interesting glimpse of Muslim life: visitors must remove their shoes and women should be properly covered, i.e., no bare shoulders or legs.

Falaknuma Palace

Set prominently on a hill overlooking Hyderabad, this magnificent palace (A-10) was designed by an Italian, built by a Paigah noble in 1892, and later purchased by the Nizam, Mahboob Ali Khan. Many Royal guests have stayed at the Palace, which maintains a reminiscence of grandeur with its jade collection, elegant furniture, paintings, and draperies.

The Palace is now managed by the Nizam's Trust, who grant entrance at their own discretion. To organize a visit, contact the Trust at tel 234252.

Salarjung Museum

The private collection of Nawab Salar Jung III, nobleman and Prime Minister of the Nizam of Hyderabad, is displayed somewhat unusually in this old museum (Map C). The collection includes crystal, porcelain, statuary, jewelry, Arabic and Persian manuscripts, weapons, clocks and more. The jade collection and the Indian miniature paintings are the highlight. Open from 1000 to 1700 daily, closed Fridays.

Purana Pul and Naya Pul

These are two of the four bridges over the Musi River (Map A). Purana Pul, built in 1578, was considered a marvel in its day, when Ibrahim Qutb Shah had it built to extend the limits of the old city of Golconda to include Hyderabad. Naya Pul, more commonly used to cross the river today, offers a striking view of the Osmania Hospital and the High Courts facing each other across the banks of the Musi.

Public Gardens

Near Lal Bahadur Stadium, these gardens (Map C) offer a view of rare plants, a Cyprus garden,

and a small lake. A number of important buildings stand within the park walls, including the Andhra Pradesh State Legislative Assembly, with its striking Rajasthani and Persian architectural styles.

The State Archaeological Museum is in the grounds of the gardens as well, with a collection that dates back to the 12th century. Open from 1030 to 1700, it is closed Mondays and public holidays.

Nehru Zoological Park

This large zoo (A-11) has over 300 different species of birds and animals, including a Lion Safari Park. It is an excellent place for a pleasant day-long outing. To reach the zoo, cross the Musi River at Naya Pul, turn right at the Madina Hotel, go past the High Courts, and get on the Bangalore Highway. The zoo will be on your right. The curator is K N Benarji, tel 523355.

Outside Hyderabad

Pochampally and Koyalagudem

These two villages are about 1 1/2 hour's drive (50 km) from Hyderabad, on the Vijayawada Road. They are the centers for ikkat weaving, the method in which silk and cotton threads are tied and dyed before being woven into carefully planned geometric patterns. This ancient form of weaving is a family industry, with men, women, and children working together in the open courtyards and in their houses to produce fabric that is renowned throughout the world. Koyalagudem is a quiet, clean, quaint village, whereas Pochampally is more developed and less personal.

Nargajunasagar and Nargajunakonda

Nargajunasagar Dam on the Krishna River, 150 km southeast of Hyderabad, is the highest

masonry dam in the world; it is used to irrigate more than two million hectares of arid and semi-arid land in Andhra Pradesh, and for hydro-electric power. Travel time to Nargajunasagar from Hyderabad is about 4 hours one way.

Nargajunakonda (Nargajuna Hill) was a major Buddhist center in the 2nd and 3rd centuries, with monasteries, stupas, and a palace. Ruins of the city were excavated before the reservoir was flooded, and reassembled on the remaining island above water level in a museum designed to resemble a Buddhist monastery, or "vihar". Also present on the island is a mahastupa, containing actual relicts of the Buddha. The island and temple can be reached by boat on the right bank of the Krishna. Guest house accommodation is available on the dam site at Vijayapuri, a small town to the north.

Bidar

The walled city of Bidar is about 130 km from Hyderabad, a pleasant drive of approximately three hours through the agricultural countryside. The vast Bidar Fort is on a high point at the edge of the Deccan Plateau, overlooking a flat plain that stretches off to the horizon. First ruled by the Chalukyans and later by the Kakatiyas, some of the fortifications may date back to the 11th century. Most of the fort dates from the 14th to the 17th centuries, during which time it was ruled first by the Bahmanis and then by the Barid Shahis. The "madrassa", or college of Khwaja Mahmud Gawan, inside the town of Bidar, has been partially restored and you can see traces of Koranic verses on the blue and white glazed tiles on the facade.

Tombs of 12 Bahamani kings stand in the village of Ashtur, just northeast of the town. Bidriware is made using lateritic soil from

crumbling walls of the ancient fortress and can be found in several shops.

Warangal and Ramappa

It is possible to visit Warangal in one day, but the round trip of 450 km requires about 8 hours on the road.

This ancient and interesting capital of the Kakatiyas is over 1000 years old and is well worth spending more than just a few hours on. Some particularly interesting sights are the famous Ramappa Temple, the Warangal Fort, and the Thousand-Pillared Temple at Hanamkonda.

Ramappa Temple (70 km from Hanamkonda via Molug and Parakala) is a striking star-shaped building in the lavish manner of the Hoysalas. It is considered a gem of medieval Deccan architec-

ture. The great pillars in the temple are intricately carved, smooth and shining, and the walls are covered in bas relief scenes from the Mahabharata and Ramayana showing lively groups of dancers, musicians and warriors. Nearby is an irrigation tank built in the same period and still in use. It is a scenic spot, excellent for a picnic luncheon.

The Warangal Fort, although now largely in ruins, is over 700 years old. Traces of the walls of the ancient city can be seen, with imposing gateways and delicately chiselled friezes and borders.

The Thousand-Pillared Temple at Hanamkonda was built around 1162. One of the features of the temple is a striking Nandi - Shiva's vehicle - carved from black basalt. The thousand pillars are actually carved on the outer walls of the temple.

Living in Hyderabad

Clubs and Societies

For a more extensive list, see Channel Six Magazine, available at most hotels and bookstores.

The Country Club (B-13)

6-3-1219 Begumpet, Hyderabad 500 016

Tel 312000, 312750, 313393

Facilities: Membership accesses swimming pool, tennis court, reading room, shooting gallery, gym, jacuzzi, squash courts, even a disco (The Pyramid) on Saturday nights and Thursday afternoons.

ICRISAT Staff Recreation Club (Map B)

Road 1 Banjara Hills

Hyderabad

Tel 393097

Facilities: Tennis, badminton, squash, table tennis, cards. The club is a venue for cultural events and social evenings. Membership open to all ICRISAT staff, all trainees, and visiting staff. Some types of membership are open to non-ICRISAT staff.

The Secunderabad Club and Secunderabad Sailing Club (B-91)

Secunderabad Cantonment

(off Sardar Patel Road)

Secunderabad

Tel 76351, Sailing Club 242942

A taste of what colonial club life was like, membership accesses a swimming pool, tennis courts, and restaurant. The Secunderabad Sailing Club is an annex of the Secunderabad Club and is located on Husain Sagar at the north end of the tank bund. This club offers various boats and sailing lessons.

Treasure Island

Gandipet

Tel 251515, City office 227030, 220261

A new country club, Treasure Island is located near Himayatsagar Lake and offers many amenities, such as rustic but comfortable accommodation, a restaurant, extensive well-landscaped grounds, a 1-acre swimming pool, clubroom with billiards and snooker, go-carts, horseback riding, a disco, and much more.

Hyderabad Hash House Harriers

Nonexclusive, light hearted running or walking every Sunday around Hyderabad and its surrounds. Every run ends with plenty of socializing. An ICRISAT bus picks up and drops off hashers from ICRISAT and from the Krishna Oberoi Hotel. For more information ask around or see the latest copy of ICRISAT Happenings.

Alliance Francaise (B-74)

Not just for French lessons! Membership at the Alliance offers invitations to cultural events, art exhibitions, films, and use of the library (see Performing Arts). For more information contact the Alliance:

5-9-22/57/D Adarshnagar

(next to Birla Science Centre)

Hyderabad

Tel 236646

Max Mueller Bhavan (C-41)

Like the Alliance, but the German version.

3-5-43 Eden Bagh

Ramkote, Hyderabad

Tel 591410, 595219

Films and Cinemas

There is an abundance of cinemas throughout Hyderabad that show Hindi and Telugu films. English films are also screened regularly at the following cinemas:

Anand (Map D)

Sardar Patel Road

Secunderabad

Tel 848405

Kishore (Map C)

Narayanguda Crossroads

Hyderabad

Lamba (Map D)

(off Sadar Patel Road)

Secunderabad

Sangeet (Map D)

23 Sarojini Devi Road

Secunderabad

Tel 803864

Skyline (Map B)

Bashirbagh

Hyderabad

Sterling (Map B)

Bashirbagh

Hyderabad

Surya (Map C)

Tilak Road

Hyderabad

Health Hints

Drinking water

Boil briskly for 5 minutes, filter to remove sediment. Use only boiled water for ice cubes.

Fresh fruit and vegetables

Wash with soap and water to remove dirt, rinse with boiled water and dry completely. Some pre-

fer to soak for 30 minutes in water treated with Lugol's Solution (tincture of iodine) or potassium permanganate after washing and rinsing.

Milk

Boil local whole milk for 20 minutes. Powdered milk should be reconstituted only with boiled water. UHT milk is safe to use straight from the container. Milk from plastic bags should be boiled before using.

Meats

Cook until well done. Any meat that you plan to undercook should be deep frozen for a few weeks prior to cooking to kill any parasites.

Eating out

Avoid uncooked foods or items which have been left unrefrigerated for a period of time. Request bottled drinks or tea or coffee and beware of ice cubes unless you are certain they were made with boiled water.

Injuries

Avoid infections by washing any cut or wound immediately with soap and boiled water and check with a doctor to find out if you need a tetanus booster.

Animal bites

Wash the bite immediately with running water and soap for 10 minutes, then seek prompt medical attention. Rabies can be contracted from any animal bite.

Medications

Most routine medications are available at pharmacies; check the expiration date on the label.

Public Libraries

City Central Library
Ashok Nagar, Chikkadpally
Hyderabad
Tel 668249

Osmania University Library (A-5)
Osmania University
Hyderabad
Tel 868591

State Central Library
AsafiyaLibrary
Afzalganj
Hyderabad
Tel 43107

Private Libraries (requiring membership)

Alliance Francaise (B-74)
See Clubs and Societies
Open Monday to Friday 0930-1300, 1500-1800,
Saturday 0900-1300, Sunday closed.

American Studies Research Centre (A-5)
Osmania University, Hyderabad
Open to the public Monday to Friday 0930-
1730, Saturday open to members only, Sunday
closed.
Tel 7018608

The British Library (B-76)
5-9-22 Sarovar Centre, Secretariat Road
Saifabad, Hyderabad
Open Tuesday to Saturday 1100-1900, closed
Sunday and Monday.
Tel 230774

Max Mueller Bhavan (C-41)
See Clubs and Societies
Open to the public Monday to Friday 1400-
1800, Saturday 0900-1300.

Performing Arts

Dance, drama, art exhibitions, and musical concerts usually are brought to town by some of the cultural organizations listed below. They are advertised in Channel Six magazine and local newspapers. Touring Indian and International artists often perform at the Ravindra Bharati, Lakdikapul, Hyderabad, and at the Bharatia Vidya Bhavan, King Koti Road, Hyderabad; art exhibitions are often held at the Alliance Fran9aise, next to the Birla Science Centre.

Alliance Francaise (B-74)

Sponsors films, concerts and art exhibitions featuring French performers and scholars, as well as providing classes in French language. See Clubs and Societies.

Max Mueller Bhavan (C-41)

Offers films, plays, lectures, and other cultural programs featuring European artists. See Clubs and Societies.

Ravindra Bharati (Map B)

Ravindra Bharati is an air-conditioned auditorium which offers concerts, ballets, and other cultural events with both Indian and international performers. Upcoming events are listed in Channel Six magazine, in local newspapers, and in the monthly program available in the theatre.

Public Garden Road
(opp Legislative Assembly)
Hyderabad
Tel 233672

Bharatia Vidya Bhavan (Map C)

King Koti Road
Hyderabad
Tel 237825, 230755, 241426
Similar to Ravindra Bharati

Religious Facilities

Christian - Protestant

Centenary Church
Chapel Road
(near State Bank of Hyderabad)
Hyderabad
Tel 202960
Methodist service in English
Sunday 0800 and 1800

Methodist English Church
Sarojini Devi Road, near Baseraa Hotel
Secunderabad
Tel 805280
English service, Sunday 1745
St George's Church: Church of South India
Abid Road
(opp Grindlay's Bank)
Hyderabad
Tel 232193

Christian - Roman Catholic

St Alphonsus'
8-2-585 Road 9
Banjara Hills, Hyderabad
Tel 395592
English mass Sunday 0815
St Joseph's Cathedral
Gunfoundry
(on street opp State Bank of Hyderabad)
Hyderabad
Tel 234165
English mass, weekdays 0600 and 1800, Sundays
0600, 0700, and 0915
St Mary's
Sarojini Devi Road (near St Anne's Convent)
Secunderabad
Tel 802004

St Theresa's
St Theresa's Hospital compound
Sanatnagar
Hyderabad
Tel 271253
Our Lady of Health
A C Guards, Khairatabad
Hyderabad
Tel 37651

Islamic

Mecca Masjid, Charminar
Hyderabad
Ek Minar Masjid
Nampally Station Road
Hyderabad
Jama Masjid
Mallepally, Hyderabad
Jama Masjid
Raniganj, Secunderabad

Hindu

Birla Mandir
Adarshnagar
Hyderabad
Tel 233259
Ganesh Mandir
Station Road
Secunderabad
Sivam
Sivam Road, Vidyanagar
Hyderabad
Tel 864078
Sri Ujjaini Mahakali Temple
Mahakali Street,
Secunderabad
Tel 73944

Sikh

Sikh Gurudwara Secunderabad
St Mary's Road near Railway Station
Secunderabad
Tel 830696
Central Gurudwara Sahib
Gowliguda Chaman
Hyderabad

Parsi

Parsi Fire Temple
Mahatma Gandhi Road
Secunderabad
Tel 841766
The Bai Maneckbai Chenoy Fire Temple
Tilak Road, Abids
Hyderabad
Tel 233501

Foreign Missions and Consulates in Delhi

Afghanistan
5/50-F Shantipath
Tel 603331, 603328, 606625
Fax 6875439

Algeria

E 12/4 Vasant Vihar
Tel 6883910, 6882014
Fax 6882289

Angola

C-12 Anand Niketan
Tel 600055, 6888592
Fax 6884839

Argentina

B-8/9 Vasant Vihar
Tel 671345, 671348
Fax 6886501

Armenia

A-153 New Friends Colony
Tel 6836784
Fax 6833177

Australia

1/50-G Shantipath
Tel 6888232, 6888202, 6888223, 6872035
Fax 6874126

Austria

EP-13 Chandragupta Marg
Tel 601112, 601555, 601607
Fax 6886929

Bangladesh

56 Ring Road, Lajpat Nagar III
Tel 6834668, 6839209
Fax 6839237

Belgium

50-N Shantipath
Tel 607957, 6088295, 608067
Fax 6885821

Belize

D-5/17 Vasant Vihar
Tel 6888457
Fax 672792

Benin

43-A, Okhla Industrial Estate
Tel 630052, 6831048
Fax 6842307

Bhutan

Chandragupta Marg, Chanakyapuri
Tel 609217, 609218, 609213
Fax 6876710

Brazil

8 Aurangzeb Road
Tel 3017301
Fax 3015086

Brunei Darussalam

A-42 Vasant Marg, Vasant Vihar
Tel 6888341, 6881545
Fax 6881808

Bulgaria

EP 16/17 Chandragupta Marg
Tel 607716, 607413
Fax 6876190

Cambodia

B-47 Soami Nagar
Tel 6423782, 6425368
Fax 6425363

Canada

7/8 Shantipath
Tel 6876500
Fax 6876579

Chile

R-7 Hauz Khas
Tel 6850537
Fax 6850231

China

50-D Shantipath
Tel 600328, 600329
Fax 6885486

Colombia

82-D Malcha Marg
Tel 3012771, 3012773
Fax 3792485

Cuba

4 Munirka Marg, Vasant Vihar
Tel 6883849, 6882459
Fax 6883846

Cyprus

106 Jor Bagh
Tel 4697503, 4697508
Fax 4628828

Czechoslovakia

50-M Niti Marg, Chanakyapuri
Tel 609205, 609318
Fax 673829

Denmark

11 Aurangzeb Road
Tel 3010900, 3010722
Fax 3010961

Dominica

48 Friends Colony East
Tel 6845695

Egypt - Arab Republic

1/50-M Niti Marg
Tel 602074, 608904, 672337
Fax 6885355

Estonia

M-2 Hemkunt Tower, 98 Nehru Place
Tel 6431067, 6449808
Fax 6444642

Ethiopia

7/50-G Satya Marg, Chanakyapuri
Tel 604411, 604407
Fax 6875731

European Community

65 Golf Links
Tel 4629237, 4629238
Fax 4629206

Finland

E-3 Nyaya Marg
Tel 6118095, 6118096, 6115258
Fax 6885380

France

2/50-E Shantipath
Tel 604004, 604037
Fax 6872305

Gambia

Weston House, Okhla Industrial Estate
Tel 6847725, 6849976
Fax 6842307

Germany

6/50-G Shantipath
Tel 604861, 604862
Fax 6873117

Ghana

50-N Satya Marg, Chanakyapuri
Tel 6883315, 6883298
Fax 6883202

Greece

16 Sunder Nagar
Tel 4617800, 4617854
Holy See (Vatican)
50-C Niti Marg
Tel 606921, 606520
Fax 6874286

Hungary

2/50-M Niti Marg
Tel 6114737, 6114738, 6114739, 6114740
Fax 6886742

Iceland

41/2 Speedbird House
M Block Connaught Circus
Tel 3321172, 3321122
Fax 3321275

Indonesia

50-A Chanakyapuri
Tel 6118642, 6118643, 6118644, 6118645,
6118646, 6118647
Fax 604885

Iran

5 Barakhamba Road
Tel 3329600, 3329601
Fax 3325493

Iraq

169-171 JorBagh
Tel 4618011, 4618012
Fax 4631547

Ireland

13 JorBagh
Tel 4617435, 4615485
Fax 4631547

Israel

3 Aurangzeb Road
Tel 3013214, 3013238, 33233869
Fax 3716798

Italy

50-E Chandragupta Marg
Tel 6114355
Fax 6873889

Ivory Coast
Punj House,
M-13 Connaught Place
Tel 3323621
Fax 3326087

Japan

5/50-G Shantipath
Tel 6876581, 6876564

Jordan

1/21 Shantiniketan
Tel 606678, 607732
Fax 6883763

Kazakhstan

EP 16/17 Chandragupta Marg
Tel 6881461, 6888252, 6888459
Fax 3018668

Kenya

66 Vasant Marg, Vasant Vihar
Tel 6876540, 6876539
Fax 6876550

Kyrgyzstan

A 9/32 Vasant Vihar
Tel 6886890, 6881868
Fax 6876823

Korea D P R

C-31 Friends Colony East
Tel 6829644, 6829645

Korea Republic**9 Chandragupta Marg**

Tel 6885419, 6885374, 6885375, 6885376
Fax 6884840

Kuwait

5-A Shantipath
Tel 600791

Lao P D R

E-53 Panchsheel Park
Tel 6427447, 6428588

Latvia

48/11 Commercial Centre
Malcha Marg
Tel 3010471, 3015457, 3012931
Fax 3013753

Lebanon

10 Sardar Patel Marg
Tel 3013174, 3013637

Libya

22 Golf Links
Tel 4698027, 4697717
Fax 4633005

Luxembourg

2 Panchsheel Marg
Tel 3015855, 3011569
Fax 6431929

Malaysia

50-M Satya Marg
Tel 601291, 601297
Fax 6881538

Malta, Republic

1 Hailey Road
Tel 3329090, 6831718

Mauritius

5 Kautilya Marg
Tel 3011112, 3011113
Fax 3019925

Mexico

10 Jor Bagh
Tel 4697991, 4697992. Fax 4692360

Monaco

D L F Centre, 9th Floor, Sansad Marg
Tel 3719202, 3719206
Fax 3719233

Mongolia

34 Golf Links
Tel 4631728, 4617989. Fax 4633240

Morocco

33 Golf Links
Tel 4636920, 4636921, 4636923, 4636924
Fax 4636925

Myanmar

3/50-F Nyaya Marg
Tel 600251, 600252
Fax 6877942

Namibia

B-3/20 Vasant Vihar
Tel 6116119
Fax 6116120

Nepal

Barakhamba Road
Tel 3328191, 3327594
Fax 3326857

Netherlands

6/50-F Shantipath
Tel 6884951, 6885852
Fax 6884956

New Zealand

50-N Nyaya Marg

Tel 6883170

Fax 6872317

Nauru

C-5/4 Safdarjung Development Area

Tel 6863427, 6863906

Fax 6862502

Nigeria

21 OlofPalme Marg, Vasant Vihar

Tel 6876228, 6876646

Fax 6876641

Norway

50-C Shantipath

Tel 6873532, 6873142, 6873573

Fax 6873814

Oman

16 OlofPalme Marg, Vasant Vihar

Tel 674798, 671704

Fax 6876478

Pakistan

2/50-G Shantipath

Tel 600603, 676004, 678467

Fax 6872339

Palestine

D 1/27 Vasant Vihar

Tel 676605, 672859

Fax 6872943

Panama

25 Vasant Marg, Vasant Vihar

Tel 6872051, 677065

Fax 6872051

Peru

D-6/13C Vasant Vihar

Tel 674085, 673937

Fax 6876427

Philippines

50-N Nyaya Marg

Tel 603511, 601120

Fax 6876401

Poland

50-M Shantipath

Tel 608851, 608321, 608322

Fax 6872033

Portugal

13 Sunder Nagar

Tel 4602695, 4602694

Qatar

G-5 Anand Niketan

Tel 601240, 601741

Fax 6882184

Romania

A-52 Vasant Marg

Vasant Vihar

Tel 670700, 674447

Fax 674611

Russia

Shantipath

Tel 606026, 6873799

Fax 6876823

Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic

E-16 East of Kailash

Tel 6435804

Fax 64664

San Marino

15 Aurangzeb Road

Tel 3015850, 3793549

Fax 6466

Saudi Arabia

D-12 South Extension Part II

Tel 6445419, 6442470

Fax 64494

Senegal

30 Paschimi Marg
Vasant Vihar
Tel 6873720, 6875808
Fax 687 5809

Singapore

E-6 Chandragupta Marg
Tel 6885659, 6877939
Fax 6886798

Slovak

50-M Niti Marg
Chanakyapuri
Tel 609205, 609318
Fax 6877941

Somalia

A-17 Defence Colony
Tel 4619559, 4619277

South Africa

B-18 Vasant Marg, Vasant Vihar
Tel 6119411, 6119420
Fax 6113505

Spain

12 Prithviraj Road
Tel 3792085, 3792082
Fax 3973375

Sri Lanka

27 Kautilya Marg
Tel 3010201, 3010202
Fax 3015295

Sudan

F-63 Poorvi Marg
Tel 6873185, 6873746
Fax 6883758

Surinam

83-C Himgiri Apartments
Kalkaji Extension
Tel 6469015

Sweden

Nyaya Marg
Tel 604961, 6875760
Fax 6885401

Switzerland

Nyaya Marg
Tel 604225, 604323
Fax 6873093

Syria

28 Vasant Marg, Vasant Vihar
Tel 670233, 670285

Tajikistan

Best Western Surya Hotel
Tel 6835070

Tanzania

27 Golf Links
Tel 4694351, 4694352
Fax 4616054

Thailand

56-N Nyaya Marg
Tel 605985, 605679

Trinidad and Tobago

131 Jor Bagh
Tel 4618186, 4618187
Fax 4624581

Tunisia

23 Palam Marg, Vasant Vihar
Tel 6885346, 6885349
Fax 6885301

Turkey

N-50 Nyaya Marg
Tel 601921, 601701
Fax 6881409

Uganda

C 6/11 Vasant Vihar
Tel 6877687, 6874412
Fax 6874445

Ukraine

176 Jor Bagh
Tel 4616086, 4616019
Fax 4616085

United Arab Emirates

EP-12 Chandragupta Marg
Tel 670830, 6872937

United Kingdom

Shantipath
Tel 6872161
Fax 6872882

USA

Shantipath
Tel 600651

Uzbekistan

D-2/5 Vasant Vihar
Tel 673752
Fax 6873246

Venezuela

N-114 Panchshila Park
Tel 6436913, 6436783
Fax 6471686

Vietnam

17 Kautilya Marg
Tel 3018059, 3010532
Fax 3017714

Yemen Republic

B-70 Greater Kailash-I
Tel 6414623, 6221348
Fax 6221347

Yugoslavia

3/50-GNitiMarg
Tel 6873661, 6872073
Fax 6885535

Zaire

160 Jor Bagh
Tel 4619455, 4619456

Zambia

F-8/22 Vasant Vihar
Tel 6877681, 6877862
Fax 6877928

Zimbabwe

B-8 Anand Niketan
Tel 6872063, 6885060
Fax 6886073

Foreign Consulates in Hyderabad**Consulate General of the Islamic Republic of Iran**

8-2-502/1
Road 7 Banjara Hills
Hyderabad
Tel 315722, 319728, 316833

Shopping Areas

Abids, Hyderabad
Amrutha Mall, Somajiguda, Hyderabad
Brass Alley, Begum Bazar, Hyderabad
Bangle Alley, Laad Bazar, Charminar
Cheap Jack Alley, General Bazar, Secunderabad
Mahatma Gandhi Circle, Secunderabad
Monda Market, Secunderabad
Sultan Bazar, Hyderabad
Swapnalok Complex, Sarojini Devi Road,
Secunderabad

Sports and Fitness**Health Clubs and Gymnasiums**

There are now some gymnasiums in Hyderabad that feature weight training.

Bodyline Gym and Fitness Centre
(behind Divya Shakti Apartments)

Ameerpet, Hyderabad

Women can use the gym 0900—1000, and men 0500-0900 and 1630-2000.

Krishna Oberoi (B-45)
Road 1 Banjara Hills, Hyderabad
Health club and swimming pool.

The Country Club (B-13)
(see Clubs and Societies)
Good facilities for all kinds of sports from swimming to tennis and badminton, and a health club.

Horseback Riding

The AP Riding Club (B-64)
Masab Tank
Hyderabad
Tel 393328
Horseback riding and lessons

The Secunderabad Club
(see Clubs and Societies)
The club maintains a few horses, has a nice area for riding, and a good instructor.

Treasure Island
(see Clubs and Societies)
The club maintains some horses that can be taken out on trails in the countryside.

Swimming

ICRISAT has a good pool at Patencheru, with a snack bar and wading pool, which can be used by staff and guests.

The Country Club (B-13)
Has a well-maintained pool.

The Secunderabad Club
Pool for members' use

The Taj Residency Hotel (B-55)
Pool for members' use

Television and Radio

Hyderabad now has cable TV, Each area has a designated cable company that will connect your television for Rs 1000 and charge Rs 150 a month

thereafter. Many channels are available, the most popular being BBC, Star Plus, Prime Sports, V, Star TV, Music, ZTV, and Star Movies. The cable companies are exclusive to particular areas. The number for Banjara Hills is 238104. For Jubilee Hills and other areas, please ask neighbors and friends for help.

There are numerous Indian radio channels, but not many English broadcasts. The daily papers give program details and times. Radio Australia and London Calling are available. For program details write to the respective High Commissions or ask around. On shortwave bands, radio broadcasts can be found from a variety of foreign countries. Many programs are in English, such as the BBC and Voice of America, and many other countries like Japan and Netherlands also have English-language programs.

Tours and Tourism

For information about touring the immediate area, the following may be helpful:

AP Tourist Development
Yatri Nivas, Sardar Patel Road, Secunderabad
Tel 843931, 816375

They organize tours of Hyderabad and the surrounding area, and also provide booking facilities for state guest houses.

Department of Tourism
Gagan Vihar, Mozamjahi Road, Hyderabad
Tel 557531

Tourist Taxis

The AP Tourist Development hires out cars with a driver for Rs 450 per 6 hours. The Krishna Oberoi also rents out cars at Rs 325 for 4 hours, and Rs 475 for a full day inclusive of petrol. Otherwise look in the Yellow Pages under Car Rentals, or check with other hotels.

Transport

Buses

The new, clean, modern buses in town are called Metro Liners, and are still inexpensive at twice the cost of the old buses. There are no timetables for either type of bus, so all you need to know is the location of your bus stop. Find this out from neighbors or friends, as well as which number bus you require to reach your destination. Buses run from 0530 to 2300, but should be avoided during rush hours: 0900 to 1000, and 1700 to 1800.

Auto Rickshaws

Bright yellow three-wheeled auto rickshaws are readily available, usually outside hotels, restaurants, railway stations, and the airport. They cannot be ordered by telephone. They are metered, with a small minimum charge, and the total fare is determined by distance travelled. The maximum load is supposedly three persons, though you will occasionally see them carrying many more. An auto driver might decline to take a foreigner at the metered rate (to which, incidentally, should be added an extra 10% - this is the current surcharge as of December 1995), and instead try to hold out for a set price, often two or three times the metered rate.

Taxis

A few taxis are available outside hotels, some restaurants, railways stations and at the airport, but there are presently no regular taxi stands. Taxis are not metered, so determine and bargain for the price before you get in. There are now a few car hire establishments available, but they may require a bit of time in advance to arrange for a vehicle, and will usually include a driver for the car.

Outside Hyderabad

Buses, trains, and several domestic airlines connect Hyderabad with other cities and towns in India. For current details, flight schedules, and reservations, it is best to check with a travel agency or the airline's main office.

Domestic Airlines

Damania Airways
Tel 598241, 234950

East West Airlines

Tel 526518, 815881, 815882, 815883, 815932, 815934

Indian Airlines

Enquiries, tel 140
Recorded flight information, tel 142
Recorded flight information (Hyd airport)
844433
Flight information in person (Hyd airport)
844422

Jet Airways

City office, tel 231045
Airport, tel 840382
NEPC Micon Group
Tel 598241
Sahara India Airlines
Tel 204817, 202836, 202837

VIF Airways Hyderabad

Tel 210164, 210165, 210166, 210168

International Airlines

Air India
Tel 232747
Air France
Tel 230947
British Airways
Tel 241661

Delta Airlines

Tel 312380, 312680

KLM

Tel 237350

Lufthansa German Airlines

Tel 235537

Malaysia Airlines

Tel 242403, 242443

Quantas

Tel 231130, 234797, 599427, 251953 (res)

Singapore Airlines

Tel 312644, 312873, 319815

Swissair

Tel 311144

Thai Airways International

Tel 233047

United Airlines

Tel 233592

Trains

For train schedule information call Railroad Enquiries, tel 131, or Reservations, tel 135. Do not try to purchase tickets by telephone. Go to the station from which you want to leave and purchase tickets there. Ticket windows are open from 0800 to 2000, and tickets should be purchased as far in advance as possible since train travel is popular, particularly during holidays, and especially during school holidays. Both first-class and second-class places can be reserved. Train tickets can also be purchased through travel agents for a nominal booking charge.

Travel Agents and Airlines

Travel outside the area, whether in India or overseas, can be organized with individual airlines and hotels or through travel agents - see Travel Agents in the Shopping Guide

Shopping Guide

Shopping

Shopping in Hyderabad may be exhausting, but never boring! Most shops are open from 1000 to 2100 weekdays, and are closed on Sundays and public holidays. The smaller shops and most large shops can be bargained with over prices, but check with friends before trying. These shops, restaurants, hotels, and services have been found to be generally reliable and helpful. Nearly all of these places are referenced on Maps A through D.

Antiques

Antiquity

Santoshima Colony

West Marredpally

Secunderabad

Tel 803984

High quality antique furniture and handicrafts

Laad Bazar (Bangle Alley)

There are a number of small shops in the market area. C53

Govindas Mukandas

4-3-346 Bank Street

Raja Bhagwandas Road

Hyderabad

Tel 556389

Old jewelry, brass pots C39

Moughal Art

First Floor Faraz Chambers

Shop No 10-5-5/5/A Masab Tank

Hyderabad

Tel 392169, 391018 B61

Madan Prakash "Surichi"

1-2-216/A Gagan Mahal Road

Hyderabad

Tel 619442

Art books, antiques and crafts

Appliances

Ace Electronics

Swapnalok, Sarojini Devi Road

Secunderabad

Tel 812568, 813486

Televisions, stereos, refrigerators, washing machines, microwaves, air coolers, geysers cookers, and many small appliances B35

The BPL Gallery

Sardar Patel Road

(near Usha Lexus Furniture)

Secunderabad

BPL appliances B95

Servotronics

6-3-662/4 Panjagutta
(opp Erramanzil Colony)

Hyderabad

Tel 310201

Phillips stereos, televisions, and small appliances B37A

Singer India Ltd

6-1-675/5 & 6

(opp DGP Office, Near Ravindra Bharati)
Saifabad, Hyderabad

Tel 242823

Gas cookers, sewing machines, and a range of small appliances B69

Surya Electronics 16 Model House Panjagutta, Hyderabad Tel 3323835, 314551 A large range of refrigerators and washing machines, as well as gas cookers, geysers, air coolers, televisions, stereos, microwaves, vaccum cleaners, and many small appliances	B29	Royal Stationery and Engineering Co Nampally Station Road, Hyderabad Tel 503367 Watercolours, oils, brushes, paper, canvas	C20
Artists and Art Galleries		Ganji Venkannah and Sons 51-5-82 General Bazar, Secunderabad Tel 813589	D20
Shahnaz Arni Minaaz Art Gallery 104 Sarita Appartments Road 4, Banjara Hills Hyderabad Modern Indian paintings, batiks	B5	Walden's 6-3-871, Greenlands Road, Begumpet Hyderabad Tel 313434 Mainly children's paints, brushes and paper	B17
Laxme Goud Road 12, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad Tel 391356 Call for an appointment		Automobile Spares and Services Hilltop Service Station Intersection of Roads 10 and 1 Banjara Hills, Hyderabad Tel 237716	B46
Surya Prakash Artist in Residence L V Prasad Eye Institute Road 2, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad Tel 248267, res 310424 Contemporary Indian paintings	B2	Moshin Motor Needs A M C O Erramanzil Colony Panjagutta, Hyderabad Tel 312001 Offers a monthly petrol account.	B38
Mrs Kusum Vishwanath Masab Tank Tel 289263 Call for an appointment		Baby and Children's Clothing Andhra Hosiery 129 Parklane, Secunderabad Tel 812713 and Lenaine Estate, Abid Road Hyderabad Tel 202653 Good quality and prices	D14 C10
Art Supplies Bhargava Engineering Co 4-1-998 Abid Road (next to Taj Mahal Hotel) Hyderabad Tel 232299 Handmade paper, brushes, drawing boards	C23	Benetton 5-9-189 Lenaine Estate Abid Road, Hyderabad Tel 242262, 202262	C10

Cherma's		Hot Breads	
Gunfoundry		Basement, Swapnalok Complex	
Hyderabad		Secunderabad	D35
Tel 231645		<i>and</i>	
Indian and Western ready made clothes	C11	Q-Mart	
Kids R Us		Road 2, Banjara Hills	
Swapnalok Complex		Hyderabad	B4
Sarojini Devi Road		Midway's - The Cake and Cookie Shoppe	
Secunderabad		Road 1, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad	
Underwear, toys, clothes for children aged		Tel 224263	
0-12 with a slight Indian style to them	D35	Fresh cream, mushrooms, strawberries;	
Little Kingdom		open daily 0930 to 2130	B31
Hotel Emerald, Abids		Mountain Bakery	
Everything for babies and children	C21	next to the masjeed	
Mother'n'Child		Road 2, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad	
126 Sarojini Devi Road (next to Jewel Box)		Tel 247395	
Secunderabad		Fresh cream, ice cream	B4
Tel 843991		Rock Castle Hotel	
Good baby and nursing articles	D4	Road 6, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad	
Plus Fours		Tel 399742, 399843	
Regency House		Still makes the best French bread and	
Panjagutta		croissants in town.	B6
Tel 310914	B23	Universal Bakers (close to Baskin and Robbins)	
Weekender Kids		6-3-12 Himayatnagar, Hyderabad	
Amit Plaza, Somajiguda		Tel 211779	
Hyderabad		Excellent cakes, pastries, and snacks	
Tel 3321187	B20	Banks	
<i>and</i>		There are many branches of these banks	
Parklane, opp Nanking		throughout Hyderabad and Secunderabad.	
Secunderabad		Andhra Bank Ltd	
Tel 843761	D32	Bank Street, Sultan Bazar	
Bakeries		Hyderabad	
Baker's Inn		Tel 590141	C37
Panjagutta and Somajiguda		ANZ Grindlays Bank	
Hyderabad		Abid Road, Hyderabad	
Tel 313728	B19	Tel 201505	C15

Central Bank of India
Bank Street New Building, Hyderabad
Tel 590361 C36

State Bank of Hyderabad
Gunfoundry, Hyderabad
Tel 201585 C9

State Bank of India
Bank Street, Hyderabad
Tel 590111 C38

Syndicate Bank
Road 4, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad
Tel 319805 B43

Beauty and Barber Shops

Blue Moon Hairdressers
Panjagutta Road, Hyderabad
Men's hair cuts, shaves, and head massage B36

Finesse, Mrs Abbani Hussain
Road 2, Banjara Hills
(opp Chiran Palace, halfway between Banjara
and Jubilee Hills)
Tel 244389

Lee's Beauty Salon
5-9-19/3 Green Gate, Hyderabad
Tel 235814 B75

Miracle Hairdressers
5-9-88 Fateh Maidan Road, Hyderabad
Tel 233103 C2

Oberoi Beauty and Hair Salon
Krishna Oberoi Hotel
Road 1, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad
Tel 392323 B45

Toppers

Srinivasa Towers, Greenlands Road, Hyderabad
Tel 312357
Side-by-side hair salons for men and women B15

Bedding and Towels

Bombay Dyeing
6-3-666/B Panjagutta Road
Tel 310763 B37

SU Bulchand and Co
124 Mahatma Gandhi Road, Secunderabad
Tel 842388 D8

Encore
6-3-682/1 Somajiguda, Hyderabad
Tel 319842 B22

Handloom House
Mukarramjahi Road, Hyderabad
Tel 550252 C29

Shafali
72 Sarojini Devi Road, Secunderabad
Tel 800908 D44

Bicycles and Exercise Bicycles

Jai Ganesh Cycle Stores
Mahatma Gandhi Road, Secunderabad D17

Laxmi Cycle Importing Co
2-1-161/3 Mahatma Gandhi Road
Secunderabad
Tel 812389 D17

Pedaller's Point
Shop No 4, Shantishikara Apts
Raj Bhavan Road, Hyderabad
Tel 395389 B40

There are also several on Bank Street
(Mahapatnam Road).

Books

Bookpoint
3-6-272 Himayatnagar
(close to Hai King Restaurant)
Tel 232138 C45

Book Selection Centre (Treasure House of Books)

1-7-281 Tirumala Complex
 Sarojini Devi Road (next to Jewel Box)
 Secunderabad
 Tel 843221 D29

Gangarams

62 D Clock Tower, Sarojini Devi Road
 Secunderabad
 Tel 800691, 805117
 Good range of classics and latest releases,
 educational books, cards, and posters D49

AA Hussain

5-8-551 Abid Road, Hyderabad
 Tel 203724 C16

Walden's

6-3-871 Greenlands Road
 Begumpet, Hyderabad
 Tel 313434
 Open 0900, closed Tuesdays B17

Brassware, Copperware, Steelware, and Aluminiumware

Many shops are located both in Begum Bazar (C32) near Osmania General Hospital, Hyderabad and in General Bazar (D50) near Rashtrapati Road, Secunderabad.

Burlap and Woven Jute

Haji Kurban Husain and Sons
 Mustafa Bazar, Abid Road
 Near Hussain's Book Store
 Hyderabad C16

Cane Furniture

Furniture House
 6-2-30 Lakdikapul, Hyderabad
 Tel 224644 (ask for Furniture House)

New Bharat Cane Furniture Works
 Opp Y M C A, Narayanguda, Hyderabad
 Tel 240043 C42

Sangam Cane Industries
 Next to New Bharat (above)
 Tel 234785 C42

Carpets

Canaud House
 B 1/5 Lal Bahadur Stadium, Hyderabad
 Tel 230457 C3A

C I E

6-3-871 Greenlands Road (next to Walden's)
 Begumpet, Hyderabad
 Tel 311302
 Kashmiri, Afghani, and Pakistani carpets B17
 Gangotri Uttar Pradesh Handicrafts
 Abid Road, Hyderabad
 Tel 202308
 Stocks some silk and woolen carpets and
 dhurries from U P State at Government
 regulated prices. C14

Hafeez and Co
 Carpet manufacturers and exporters
 Tangellamudy, Eluru 534005
 Tel 20613
 Kashmir Carpets (opp Taj Residency Hotel)
 Road 1, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad
 Tel 398978 B54

Shahan Shoh
 10-3-66-1/1 Humayannagar
 Tel 236176, 3532904
 Carpet dealer, carpet repair and washing

Catering

Lazeez Caterers, Mrs Aziza Hassan, prop
 Panjagutta, Hyderabad
 Tel 315718 B47

Chemists, Pharmacists, and Medical Halls

Apollo Pharmacy
Ashoka Plaza
(next to Hotel Golkonda)
MasabTank
Hyderabad
Tel 319825
Open 24 hours B63

Ganga Medical Hall
Mahatma Gandhi Road, Secunderabad
Tel 84099 D7

Jayalakshmi Medical and General Stores
Jubilee Hills Checkpost (next to Jubilee Cafe)
Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad

Mor Chemists and Druggists
5-9-30/10 Mor Chambers
Bashirbagh, Hyderabad
Tel 237111, 597111 B81

Mukesh Medical Hall
6-3-666/1/3 Panjagutta Road
Hyderabad
Tel 211595 B37

Nizam's Institute of Medical Sciences
Panjagutta, Hyderabad
Tel 228899
Two 24-hour pharmacies on the premises
See Map B

Ratna Medical and General Stores
Road 1, Banjara Hills (next to Ratna Hospital)
Hyderabad
Tel 231380
Open 24 hours B53

Tulsi Medical Hall
6-3-456 Panjagutta Road, Hyderabad
Tel 221010
Will deliver. B34

Coffee and Tea

Krishna Coffee Works
Rashtrapati Road
(right side, less than 0.5 km south of Sarojini
Devi Road)
Secunderabad D41

Shyamala Coffee Works
Panjagutta Road (opp Model House)
Panjagutta, Hyderabad B28

Custom Notified Shops

These shops sell a variety of imported goods,
from food and cosmetics to clothing and small
appliances. Several are clustered opposite Hotel
Emerald in Abids(C21).

Dhurries

CIE

6-3-871 Greenlands Road (next to Walden's)
Begumpet, Hyderabad
Tel 311302 B17

Deccan Exports

1-87 Dargah Hussain Shah Wali
(off the old Bombay Road, close to Grandview)
PO Golconda, Hyderabad
Tel 253792, 253437 A27

Manjira Designs

Road 11 Banjara Hills, Hyderabad
Tel 390314, 395260 B50

Dry Cleaners and Laundries

Band Box Dry Cleaners
Panjagutta, Hyderabad
Tel 7612242 (head office) B28

Triplex Dyers and Cleaners
4-3-1 and 2 Rashtrapati Road
Secunderabad
Tel 7712037 D52

Dry Fruits and Nuts

Chaganlal Badrivishal
Road 1, Banjara Hills
(opp Banjara Function Hall)
Hyderabad
Tel 317812 B60

Shree Shanti Stores
Panjagutta, Hyderabad
Tel 210513, 210079 B35

Variety Dry Fruit Stores
Mahatma Gandhi Road (opp Gandhi Circle)
Secunderabad
Tel 74415, 35364 D10

Electrical and Electronic Repair

Mr Rathnakar and Mr Dilip
To reach, take Sardar Patel Road, turn left at Parklane. After passing the Secunderabad Club, go about 1.5 km, then look for Pfizer on the left and Doorworld on the right. After Doorworld take the first lane to the right, then the second left. This repair shop is located on the first floor of plot 104, and the quality of the service is worth the drive to get there.

Servotronics

6-3-662/4 Panjagutta (opp Erramanzil Colony)
Hyderabad
Tel 310201 B37A

Fabric - hobbies

Ranglal Peeramal
(Fake fur, nylon net, blazer cloth)
Patthargatti, Charminar, Hyderabad C49

Fabric - clothing

H Rahmatulla's Cheap Jack
General Bazar, Secunderabad
Tel 812804 D19

Fancy Cloth Store
Patthargatti, Charminar, Hyderabad
Tel 523983 C50

Kalanjali

5-10-194 Hill Fort Road
Saifabad, Hyderabad
Tel 231147 B73

FD Khan and Co
Abids, Hyderabad
Tel 232491 C23

Meena Bazar

Tilak Road, Abids, Hyderabad
Tel 235810
Dress material and saris C27

Meena Bazar Extension

27 Metro Estate
Tilak Road, Abids
Hyderabad
Tel 231180, 599319
Suiting and shirting for men C26

Meena Bazar Extension

31 Metro Estate
Tilak Road, Abids, Hyderabad
Tel 242504, 234087
Ladies dress material C26

Sheetal

96/A Parklane, Secunderabad
Tel 816034 D25

Sri Ganeshay Namana
(M Narasimha Narayana)
General Bazar, Secunderabad
Tel 831566, 812143 D15

Taruni

General Bazar, Secunderabad
A large matching center with a huge variety of
fabrics in all solid colors C18

Fabric - Silk

Bommana Brothers
General Bazar (near Rashtrapati Road)
Secunderabad
Tel 812311
Stonewashed silk available D50

Kumaran Stores

Amrutha Mall, Somajiguda
Hyderabad
Tel 314082 B19

Meena Bazar

Tilak Road, Abids, Hyderabad
Tel 235810
Dress material and saris C27

Meena Bazar Extension

31 Metro Estate
Tilak Road, Abids, Hyderabad
Tel 242504, 234087
Ladies dress material C26

Sanchay

Shop 21 and 22
Babukhan Estate
Bashirbagh, Hyderabad
Tel 243738 C3B

The Weavers' Service Centre is located in Cheneta Bhavan, Nampally (C28), near the Ek Minar Masjid. Several state silk emporiums are located in this building as well, including APCO, Priyadarshimi, Odesi, and Oriya. APCO also has a lot of Pochampally cotton and upholstery fabric, as well as dhurries.

Foam and Polyester

Nagpal's Foam-Palace
(opp Sagar Talkies)
Jheera, Hyderabad
Tel 552413 B92

U-Foam

125 Mahatma Gandhi Road, Secunderabad
Tel 841966 D6

Florists

Green Caps Inc
(behind Venkateshwara Temple)
Road 14, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad
Tel 248278
Fresh flowers every morning around 0900,
with special flowers available on one-day
order (e.g., carnations, hybrid gerberas) B3

Mrs Revathi Macherla, florist
Quality Inn Green Park
Amirpet Road, Begumpet, Hyderabad
Tel 291919 B12

Monda Market

Off Rashtrapati Road, Secunderabad
Garlands D51

Shangrila Florists

Shop No 22, Swapnalok
Sarojini Devi Road, Secunderabad
Tel 812576, res 849109
Reasonably fresh flowers, delivered
throughout Hyderabad and Secunderabad.
Worldwide delivery available D35

Walden's

6-3-871 Greenlands Road
Begumpet, Hyderabad
Tel 213434
Regular supply of unusual flowers B17

Framing and Mirrors

Abbas and Co
4-1-958 Abid Road, Hyderabad
Tel 232563
Good, plain photo albums, framing, mirrors C24

Royal Frames and Gifts 83 Chenoy Trade Centre Parklane, Secunderabad Tel 811784	D22	Gopathi Furniture Sardar Patel Road, Secunderabad Tel 841612	B94
Fruits and Vegetables Deccan Fruit Centre (next to old Midway Bakery) Road 1, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad	B32	Long Life Handicrafts (Saharans) Indralok, Road 1, Banjara Hills Hyderabad Elaborately carved wooden furniture	B52
Monda Market Off Rashtrapati Road, Secunderabad Fruits, vegetables, and much more	D51	Riviera Traders Pvt Ltd 5-9-323/2 Gunfoundry, Hyderabad Tel 235065 Aluminium outdoor chairs, baby strollers	C7
Panjagutta Market Panjagutta Road, Hyderabad	B34A	Usha Lexus Furniture Showroom 160D Sardar Patel Road, Secunderabad Tel 841384 Well-made contemporary furniture	B95
Simla Fruit Centre At Masab Tank Circle, Hyderabad	B62	Garden Supplies Janata Seeds Store Hyderguda, Hyderabad Tel 234669	C46A
Tarkari (near old Midway Bakery) Road 1, Banjara Hills Hyderabad Special vegetables and fresh cheeses	B32	Ravi Agro Services Pvt Ltd Stall No 11, Lai Bahadur Stadium, Hyderabad Tel 230644	C3A
Furniture and Decor Contemporary Arts and Crafts 6-3-883 Panjagutta Hyderabad Tel 313607 Modern, contemporary furniture, crockery, and handicrafts for the house	B21	Rita Seeds Store 3-6-295/4 Hyderguda, Hyderabad Tel 230835 A number of garden supply shops are located along Old M L A Quarters Road, Hyderguda.	C46A
Etcetra Pan Com Chambers, Raj Bhavan Road Somajiguda, Hyderabad Tel 210530	B41	Handicrafts Cauvery Handicrafts Emporium Sarojini Devi Road Secunderabad	D37
Gangotri UP Export Corp Abid Road, Hyderabad Tel 202308 Carved screens, tables	C14	Central Cottage Industries Emporium 94 Minerva Complex Sarojini Devi Road, Secunderabad Tel 845242	C34

CIE		Lepakshi Handicrafts Emporium	
6-3-871 Greenlands Road (next to Walden's)		Gunfoundry, Hyderabad	
Begumpet, Hyderabad		Tel 235028	
Tel 311302		and	
Cushion covers, boxes, furniture,		Minerva Complex	
and carpets	B17	Sarojini Devi Road	
		Secunderabad	C5
Contemporary Arts and Crafts		Melange	
6-3-883 Panjagutta		Quality Inn Green Park	
Tel 313607		Begumpet	
A favorite for gifts and browsing: wood, brass,		Tel 291919	
pottery, glassware, candles, toys, textiles,		Kashmiri crafts	B12
jewelry, tablecloths, dhurries, and more	B21		
Encore		Sheela's Gift House	
6-3-682/1 Somajiguda		17 Lal Bahadur Stadium	
Hyderabad		Fateh Maidan, Hyderabad	
Tel 319842		Tel 236944	C3A
Mainly ladies' salvar kameez along with		Vishwarkarma Arts Gallery	
bedspreads, placemats, and napkins	B22	3 Model House, Panjagutta	
		Hyderabad	B29
Gangotri UP Export Corp		Mr Vaswani	
Abid Road, Hyderabad		(small handicraft shop in the)	
Tel 202308	C14	Hotel Ritz	
Gurjari		Hill Fort Road	
Hotel Sarovar, Secretariat Road		Hyderabad	
Hyderabad		Very good for small, high quality bronzes and	
Tel 240149	B76	miniature paintings	B77
Jewel Box		Yakoob Brothers	
126 Sarojini Devi Road, Secunderabad		995 Habeeb Nagar	
Tel 840998	D4	Hyderabad	
Kairali		Tel 221163	
Nasir Arcade (opp Thomas Cook Travels)		Bidriware	
Saifabad, Hyderabad		95 Parklane	
Tel 234621	B71	95 Parklane (opp Chenoy Trade Centre)	
Kalanjali		Secunderabad	
5-10-194 Hill Fort Road		Tel 812160	
Saifabad, Hyderabad		Great little shop: wooden boxes, lined skirts,	
Tel 231147		salvars, kalamkari material, dhurries	D27
Open 1000 to 2000 every day.	B73		

Handloom Fabrics and Saris

APCO Fabrics
Metro Estate, Abids, Hyderabad
Tel 232809, C25
and

Chenetha Bhavan
Mukarramjahi Road, Nampally, Hyderabad
Tel 502847 C28

Deccan Exports

1-87 Dargah Hussain Shah Wali
(off the Old Bombay Highway, close to
Grandview)
PO Golconda, Hyderabad
Tel 253792, 253437
Himroo, ikkat, and kalamkari fabrics A27

Handloom House

Mukarramjahi Road, Hyderabad
Tel 550252 C29

Kalanjali

5-10-194 Hill Fort Road
Saifabad, Hyderabad
Tel 231147
Open 1000 to 2000 every day. B73

Manjira Designs

Road 11, Banjara Hills
Hyderabad
Tel 390314, 395260 B50

Shafali

72 Sarojini Devi Road, Secunderabad
Tel 800908 D44

Hardware and Electricals

Jay Pee Electronics
69 Rashtrapati Road
Secunderabad
Tel 830035
TV's, repairs of all makes D42

Jyoti Enterprises

6-3-540/2 Panjagutta, Hyderabad
Tel 390800
All electrical supplies, bulbs, tubes, plugs,
wire B38

Radio Centre

8-2-224/225 Red Cross Road
(near Prashant Cinema)
Station Road, Secunderabad
Tel 7702942, 7703872
All types of electrical and electronic hardware
and components D48

Tas Hardware

Mukarramjahi Road
(several shops south of Hotel President)
Moazamjahi Market, Hyderabad
Tel 558154 C31
Many located in Ameerpet.

Hotels

Bhasker Palace
Road 1, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad
Tel 396141
Rooftop revolving restaurant B51

Grand Kakatiya Hotel and Towers
Greenlands Road, Begumpet, Hyderabad
Tel 310132
Good coffee shop, excellent restaurant serving
Pathan cuisine. Five star B16

Holiday Inn Krishna
Road 1, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad
Tel 393347
Five star B44

Hotel Golkonda Days Inn
10-1-124 Masab Tank, Hyderabad
Tel 225123 B63

Krishna Oberoi

Road 1, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad

Tel 392323

Five star: pool, health club, beauty salon,
barbershop, three restaurants

B45

Quality Inn Green Park

7-1-26 Greenlands Area, Begumpet

Hyderabad

Tel 291919

24-hour coffee shop and restaurant

B12

Taj Residency Hotel

Road 1, Banjara Hills

Hyderabad

Tel 399999

Five star: three restaurants, pool, lake with
boating facilities, grass tennis court

B55

The Central Court

6-1-71 Lakdikapul, Hyderabad

Tel 233220

Coffee shop and restaurant

B69

Viceroy

Tank Bund Road, Hyderabad

Tel 7618383

Coffee shop, restaurant, pool, health club,
beauty salon

B90

Household Rentals

AP Abbas

Abdullah and Sons Premises

91 Sarojini Devi Road, Secunderabad

Tel 812353

Furniture and household equipment

D39

S Mohamed Ali and Sons

32 Sarojini Devi Road, Secunderabad

Tel 820575

Furniture, crockery, cutlery, shamianas,
electrical items

D46

Namdari Tent House

Road 9, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad

Tel 319990

Glasses, chairs, barbeques, and cushions

B9

New A-1 Tent House

Road 2, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad

Tel 247625

Most tent houses also rent lights.

B4

Housewares

Abdul Kader

Mahatma Gandhi Road, Secunderabad

Tel 842381

Crockery, luggage

D11

Apsara Crockery and Glassware House

1-7-303/C Mahatma Gandhi Road

Secunderabad

Tel 841088

D16

"Brass Alley"

Begum Bazar, Hyderabad

Brass, copper, steel, and aluminium utensils,
copper polishing

C32

Also, General Bazar, near Rashtrapati Road,
Secunderabad

D51

Kathiawar Stores

Mahatma Gandhi Circle, Secunderabad

Tel 841799

Plastic storage jars, saucepans, serving
utensils, bread and cake pans

D13

Mozamjahi Market, HyderabadBaskets, handmade brooms and brushes,
clay dishes and pots

C30

Veerani Home Needs

Orient Estate, Abids, Hyderabad

Tel 202843

Frying pans, general kitchen goods

C18

Information Magazine

Channel 6
8-2-686/B/5/1 Road 12, Banjara Hills
Hyderabad
Tel 399407
Fax 040 315964
Highly informative and often entertaining,
available from most bookstores

B8

Jewellery - Bangles and Costume

Meena Bazar (upstairs)
Tilak Road, Abids, Hyderabad
Tel 235810

C27

Paras Jewellers

Kasat Market, Laad Bazar (Bangle Alley)
Charminar, Hyderabad
Tel 521485

C53

Plus Fours

Regency House, Panjagutta
Hyderabad
Tel 310914

B23

Bangle Alley, Charminar, Hyderabad
For the adventurous

C53

Jewellery - Pearls and Gold

Krishnadas and Co
Topaz, Amrutha Hills
Somajiguda, Hyderabad
Tel 313430

B24

Mangatrai

Bashirbagh (opp Hotel Nagarjuna)
Hyderabad
Tel 235728, 233305

B79

Dwarakadas Mukundas and Sons

4-3-348 RBH Lane (opp Bank of India)
Bank Street, Hyderabad
Tel 591517, 511847

C39

Vittal Das

Charminar, Hyderabad
Tel 522806 or 247396 (early morning only) C51

Lamps

Fifth Avenue Lighting
Topaz, Amrutha Hills
Somajiguda, Hyderabad
Tel 312686

B24

Jewel Box

126 Sarojini Devi Road, Secunderabad
Tel 840998
Good selection of lamps; shades made to
order at reasonable prices

D4

Kapoor Lampshades

Bashirbagh, Hyderabad
Tel 231774

B82

La Elegance

Amrutha Mall, Somajiguda
Hyderabad
Tel 847905

B19

There are many small shops selling
light fixtures in the first left lane south of
Moazamjahi Market. (see Map C)

Leather and Luggage

Cute Leather
5-9-321 Gunfoundry, Hyderabad
Tel 236228

C8

Leather Land

Gunfoundry, Hyderabad
Tel 230814

C8

Leather Talks

Orient Estate, Abids, Hyderabad

C18

Young Generation Luggage

Chenoy Trade Centre, Secunderabad

D23

There are many luggage shops on the ground floor of the Orient Estate, Abids. C18

Locksmith

There is a locksmith at Amirpet. To reach his shop, take the Panjagutta Road to Amirpet crossroad and turn right, then left down the first small lane. His shop is a short way down the lane on the right side. B10A

Meats

AP Chicken Shop
Shantinagar, Hyderabad B65

AP Fisheries Shop
Tank Bund, Hyderabad B89

Col-Cuts

Basement, Swapnalok Complex
Sarojini Devi Road, Secunderabad
Tel 810430
Wide range of good quality frozen meat and delicatessen products D35
and
Q-Mart, Road 2, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad B4

Desouza Cold Stores

Sarojini Devi Road (near Clock Tower)
Secunderabad
Tel 831762
Open 0930 to 1300, 1530 to 2000. Closed Sundays; good pork products. D49

Panjagutta Market (opp Bombay Dyeing)
Panjagutta, Hyderabad
Fresh mutton, poultry, and vegetables B34A

Music, Instruments, and Repairs

Dharam Sangeet Shrungar
Gowliguda, Hyderabad
Tel 512244 C34

Mabood Electronics

5-8-600/604 Abid Road, Hyderabad
Tel 203131 C19

Music Palace

Sarojini Devi Road (opp Taj Mahal Hotel)
Secunderabad
Tel 841313
Has audio tapes. D40

Music Masters

1-7-293/1 Mahatma Gandhi Road
Secunderabad
Tel 832296
Indian and western music, and equipment D5

Sangeet Sagar (near Mor Chemists)

5-9-29/7 Bashirbagh
Hyderabad
Tel 235346, B82
and
Mahatma Gandhi Road (near Paradise Circle)
Secunderabad
Tel 816186
Large variety of audio and video cassettes, some CDs D5

Walden's
6-3-871 Greenlands Road
Begumpet, Hyderabad
Tel 313434
Modern western and Indian music B17

Newspaper Offices

Deccan Chronicle
36 Sarojini Devi Road, Secunderabad
Tel 803930
Local English language newspaper D46

Indian Express

Domalguda, Hyderabad
Tel 233232 B87

Newstime

Eenadu Complex, Somajiguda, Hyderabad
Tel 318181 B48

The Hindu

6-3-879 Begumpet, Hyderabad
Tel 313902 B18

Times of India

1-10-72/A-2 Begumpet, Hyderabad
Tel 815199 B14

Opticians and Eyeglasses

Bhupendra Opticians and Contact Lens Clinic
Domalguda (above Andhra Bank)
Hyderabad
Tel 230834 B86

Deccan Opticals
Bashirbagh, Hyderabad
Tel 234421, 236492, 240439

Focus Optiques
Mahalakshmi, Panjagutta, Hyderabad
Tel 212801, 212802 B25

Hind Opticals
2nd Floor, Orient Estate, Abids, Hyderabad
Tel 202301 C18

Lawrence and Mayo
115 Parklane, Secunderabad
Tel 843995, 849629 D24
and
5-9-100 Doyen Trade House
Public Gardens Road, Hyderabad
Tel 232697 C3

Perfume

Bhagwan and Co
(near the fountain circle close to Charminar)
Gulzar Hauz, Hyderabad
Tel 525106 C52

There are several perfumers in Patthargatti, and there are two shops located behind Moazamjahi Market on Mukarramjahi Road.

Photo Developing and Camera Repairs

Deen Dayal Camera Repairers
Municipal Market, Shop No B.1/3
Chikkedpally, Hyderabad
Tel 632984

Duggals Audio Visual Equipments
3-6-153 Himayatnagar
Hyderabad
Tel 236397 C47

Liberty Photo Studio

5-9-43/7 Bashirbagh, Hyderabad
Tel 237535 B80

Niranjan's Cameras

Hyderabad Nursing Home Lane
(opp Bansals' Collections)
Bashirbagh, Hyderabad
Camera repair B83

Photo Centre

108/A Parklane Secunderabad
Black and white film developed D31

Photo Visual House

Raj Bhavan Road
Khairatabad, Hyderabad
Tel 34416, 37415, 223183 B67

Plants

Indira Park (indoor plants)
(below Tankbund)
Domalguda, Hyderabad See Map B
Laxmi Om Nursery
Jubilee Hills Checkpost
Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad

Plants Land

Raj Bhavan Road
 (second left lane past Amrutha Mall)
 Somajiguda, Hyderabad
 Tel 212788
 Open daily

B39

Public Gardens

Hyderabad
 A variety of potted plants and bedding plants
 for sale

C1

Plasticwares

National Emporium
 5-3-921 Moazamjahi Market, Hyderabad
 Tel 502221

C31

Plastic World

7-1-59/2 Amirpet Road
 Hyderabad
 Tel 292818, 295297

B11

Vijaya Traders
 2-1-182 General Bazar, Secunderabad

D20

Post Offices

Airport
 Hyderabad
 Tel 847702
 Open 0700 to 2100 daily; best place to post
 overseas mail

B96

Banjara Hills

Road 1, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad
 Tel 317627
 Open 0900 to 1630; closed Sunday

B42

General Post Office

Abid Road, Hyderabad
 Tel 595978
 Most services 0900 to 1700 daily; closed
 Sunday

C33

Jubilee Hills

Road 17A, Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad
 Tel 238043
 Open 0900 to 1630; closed Sunday

Restaurants

Baskin and Robbins 31 Flavors
 Liberty Plaza Complex,
 Bashirbagh, Hyderabad
 Tel 237872,

B85

Rashtrapati Road

(between Sardar Patel and Sarojini Devi Roads)
 Secunderabad
 Tel 804825

D42

and
 Road 1 (near Road 12)

Banjara Hills, Hyderabad

Thirty-one flavors of the best ice cream in town

Central Court Hotel Cafe and Restaurant
 Lakdikapul, Hyderabad
 Tel 233262

B69

Chung Hua

Hyderabad Nursing Home Lane
 (near Mor Chemists)
 Bashirbagh, Hyderabad

Tel 232295

Chinese

B84

Deccan Pavillion

Grand Kakatiya Hotel and Towers
 Greenlands Road, Begumpet, Hyderabad
 Tel 310132

Dakhani

Taj Residency Hotel

Road 1, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad

Tel 399999

Great Andhra and Hyderabad food

B55

Epicurus

Panjagutta, Hyderabad
 Tel 211821, 210822, 210823
 Good Indian and Chinese food B36
 Fifth Avenue
 Mehdi Building, Lakdikapool, Hyderabad
 Tel 221612 B66

Firdaus

Hotel Krishna Oberoi
 Road 1, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad
 Tel 222121
 Indian food in fancy Indian surrounds B45

Hai-King

3-6-276 Himayatnagar
 Tel 235641
 Delicious Chinese food, good service and atmosphere C45

Hotel Baseraa

Sarojini Devi Road, Secunderabad
 Tel 803200
 Three restaurants to choose from - the Mehfil serves delicious, inexpensive Indian food in sumptuous surroundings with live music. D47

Hotel Swagat

Panjagutta Road
 (near Amirpet Crossroads)
 Amirpet, Hyderabad
 Great North and South Indian veg food.
 Try the "set dosas" B10

Kamat Hotel

AG's Office Road
 (opp Indian Airlines)
 Saifabad, Hyderabad B72
and
 Sarojini Devi Road (near Shafali)
 Secunderabad
 Good thalis and vegetarian Indian food D43

Kebab-e-Bahar

Taj Residency Hotel, Road 1, Banjara Hills
 Tel 399999
 A delightful outdoor barbeque with tandoori food B55

Kontiki

Mount Banjara
 Road 12, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad
 Tel 228019
 Polynesian, Chinese, and Indian B57

Nanking

105 Parklane, Secunderabad
 Tel 843634
 Chinese D33

Once Upon A Time

Quality Inn Green Park
 7-1-26 Greenlands Area, Begumpet,
Hyderabad
 Tel 291919
 Indian food in classy surroundings B12

Palace Heights

Triveni Complex, Abid Road, Hyderabad
 Tel 232898
 One of the best restaurants in town, serving Indian and Chinese C22

Paradise

Mahatma Gandhi Road
 Secunderabad
 A unique complex of restaurants serving Indian food, from carryout to deluxe sitdown, including a rooftop garden section D2

Paratha Bazar

Basement, Swapnalok Complex
 Secunderabad
 Tel 811207
 Delicious quick tandoori food - great for a fast bite D35

Peshawri

Grand Kakatiya Hotel and Towers
Greenlands Road, Begumpet, Hyderabad
Tel 310132

Authentic Pathan food in large helpings - good value B16

Pick-n-Move

Lingapur La Builde Complex
(next to Blue Fox)

Himayatnagar, Hyderabad
Tel 232068

Fast food and takeaway C44

Shalimar

(opp Osmania Medical College)

Koti Crossroads

Koti, Hyderabad

Several types of chaat available in a sitdown restaurant C35

Shanbagh

Panjagutta Crossroads, Hyderabad, B26
and

Bashirbagh, Hyderabad

North and South Indian veg food in a casual atmosphere B78A

Singh's Vegetarian A/C

Mahatma Gandhi Circle, Secunderabad D16

Ten Downing Street

Basement, Swapnalok Complex

Sarojini Devi Road, Secunderabad

Tel 813155

Steaks and sizzlers D35

The Blue Fox

3-6-199/1 Himayathnagar
Hyderabad

Tel 230448, 230792

Excellent, inexpensive Indian food and good Chinese C44

The Cellar

Adjacent to Hotel Krishna Oberoi
Road 1 Banjara Hills, Hyderabad
Tel 223662

Multi-cuisine B45

The Orchid

Road 1, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad

Tel 221463

Indian and Chinese food B30

The Szechuan

Hotel Krishna Oberoi

Road 1, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad

Tel 392323

Delicious Chinese food B45

Tulips

Quality Inn Green Park

7-1-26 Greenlands Area, Begumpet, Hyderabad

Tel 291919

24-hour coffee shop B12

Sewing Notions

Bangle Alley

Laad Bazar, Charminar, Hyderabad

Beads, embroidery, thread C53

Button Shop

Mohd Jamaluddin and Sons

General Bazar, Secunderabad

Tel 812800 D20

Krishnlal Ramnivas Kasat Lace Centre

Kasat Market, Laad Bazar

Charminar, Hyderabad

Tel 522651 C53

Saify Stores

Mahatma Gandhi Circle (next to Abdul Kader)
Secunderabad

Tel 842178

Craft and sewing supplies D1 1

Singer Sewing Machines
 Y M C A Circle, Narayanaguda
 Tel 592397 C43
 and
 6-91/1 Vasavi Nagar, Lakdikapul
 Tel 236898
 Sale and repair of sewing machines B70

Shoes

Bata
 Abid Road (opp Orient Estate)
 Hyderabad
 Tel 232528 C25
 and
 Mahatma Gandhi Circle, Secunderabad D12

 Hansa Boots
 Ground floor, Methodist Complex
 Abids, Hyderabad
 Tel 203928, C10
 and
 Swapnalok Complex
 Sarojini Devi Road, Secunderabad
 Tel 817834 D35

 Liberty Mega Show Room
 Indralok (opp Taj Residency Hotel)
 Road 1, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad
 Tel 392521 B52

 Mescos
 Amit Plaza, Somajiguda, Hyderabad
 Tel 310781 B20

 Metro Shoes
 Abid Road (near AA Hussain's bookshop)
 Hyderabad
 Tel 202756 C16
 T Pratap

Shoes and leather articles made to order. Re-
 pairs done. To find his place, take Sardar Patel

Road and turn left at Parklane. After passing the
 Secunderabad Club go approximately 3.5 km to
 Geeta Nursing Home on the left. Mr Pratap's
 house is back down a lane on the opposite side
 of the road, H no 56, Sastri Nagar. Ask for
 directions from local residents.

Rajasthani shoe shop, Pattargathi. On the way
 to Charminar, just after crossing the bridge ana
 the first intersection, the shop is on the right
 side of the street, before the next intersection at
 the Madina Hotel. C48

Regal Shoes of Bombay
 Abid Road
 Hyderabad
 Tel 236365 C24

 Shoe Park
 Orient Estate, Abid Road
 Tel 202140
 Womens' shoes C18

Sporting Goods

Indiana Sports
 2 Mahatma Gandhi Road
 Secunderabad
 Tel 842391 D9

 Regal Sports Co
 127 Mahatma Gandhi Road
 Secunderabad
 Tel 842346

 Sain Sports
 6-3-866/8 Begumpet
 (near the intersection of the Begumpet and
 Amirpet roads)
 Hyderabad
 Tel 313545 B12A

There are also several sports shops on Bank
 Street, down from the GPO.

Stationery and Cards

Archies
 Road 1, Banjara Hills (near old Midway Bakery)
 Hyderabad, B32
 and
 Groundfloor, Methodist Complex
 Abids, Hyderabad
 Tel 202883 C10

Excelsior Press

131 Parklane (Mahatma Gandhi Circle)
 Secunderabad
 Tel 813621
 Stationery supplies and printing D14

Hallmark

Amrutha Mall, Somajiguda, Hyderabad
 Tel 317291
 Cards, diaries and English music tapes B19

Llipika

#12/12A Y M C A Complex
 9-1-38 Sardar Patel Road, Secunderabad
 Tel 832357
 Indian-designed handmade letter sets D45

Saremison's

5-9-235 Abid Road, Hyderabad
 Tel 203937
 Stationery supplies, art materials C13

Walden's

6-3-871 Greenlands Road
 Begumpet, Hyderabad
 Tel 313434
 Diaries, calendars, notepads, pens, pencils,
 and some art materials B17

Supermarkets

Balaji Grand Bazar
 Masab Tank, Hyderabad
 Tel 220136 B59

Brindavan Bazar

Mount Banjara, Road 12
 Banjara Hills
 Hyderabad
 Tel 316313, 394461 B57

Gruhalakshmi Super Market

Kamalapuri Colony, Krishna Nagar
 Hyderabad
 Tel 248766

Heera Moti Super Market
 Road 54, Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad
 Tel 238357

Kathiawar Stores

Mahatma Gandhi Circle, Secunderabad
 Tel 841799 D13

Om Sai Super Market and Medicals
 Road 12, Banjara Hills
 Hyderabad
 Tel 226676 B58

Q-Mart

Road 2, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad
 Tel 217893
 This large supermarket has everything under
 one roof, including branches of Col-Cuts and
 Hot Breads, as well as fruits and vegetables B4

Ratnadeep Super Market

Vikrampuri (close to the Secunderabad Club)
 Secunderabad
 Tel 847401

Shree Shanti Stores

Panjagutta, Hyderabad
 Tel 210513, 210079 B35

Super Needs Super Market

Road 2, Banjara Hills
 Hyderabad
 Tel 248430 B1

Tailors

Excellent Tailor
 (first floor, above Hotel Golden Point)
 Parklane, Secunderabad
 Tel 819746 (res)
 Excellent mens' tailoring D21

Golden Needle

Shop 14, "Devaki Chambers"
 1-7-74 to 79, Sarojini Devi Road, Secunderabad
 Tel 845326
 Excellent ladies' tailoring D1

Meena Bazar Extension (mens' shop)
 Tilak Road, Abids, Hyderabad
 Tel 231180, 231208
 Good mens' tailor for all types of clothing,
 including formal wear C26

Moadisto Fashion Creations

Manju Theatre Complex
 90 Sarojini Devi Road
 Secunderabad
 Tel 819704 D39

Sophisticate Gents Tailor
 Road 12, Banjara Hills
 Hyderabad
 Tel 229673 B56

St Antony's Workshop
 Rosary Convent, Gunfoundry, Hyderabad
 For embroidery, smocking and related
 tailoring. They have some readymade baby
 dresses and take orders for dresses and table-
 ware. Ask for Sister Ursula. C6

Taxi and Car Hire

Classic Tours and Travels
 Shop No 2, Brig Sayeed Road
 (next to Register Office)

Panchavati Colony, Tarbund

Secunderabad
 Tel 843261
 Complete car hire and driving service

Flyhigh Couriers

Kukatpally Housing Board Colony
 Kukatpally, Hyderabad
 Tel 887482
 Taxi Service
 RTC Crossroads, Chikkadpally, Hyderabad
 Tel 7668464

Telephones

Master Communication Systems
 103 Sarojini Devi Road, Secunderabad
 Tel 812112 D29

Toiletries and Cosmetics

Amar Ladies' Emporium
 5-9-236 Abid Road, Hyderabad
 Tel 202419, C15
and
 Chenoy Trade Centre
 Parklane, Secunderabad
 Tel 844375 D22

Body Care

6-3-672 Panjagutta Road
 (opp Panjagutta Police Station)
 Hyderabad
 Tel 318996 B27

Plus Fours

Regency House
 Panjagutta, Hyderabad
 Tel 310914 B23

Super Needs Super Market

Road 2, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad
 Tel 248430
 Creams, cosmetics, shampoos B3

Walden's

6-3-871 Greenlands Road

Begumpet, Hyderabad

Tel 313434

Facial and haircare creams and

paraphernalia

B17

Many imported toiletries and cosmetics can also
be found in Custom Notified Shops.

Toys and Games

Lepakshi Handicrafts Emporium

Gunfoundry

Hyderabad

Tel 240286

Wooden toys

C5

Paruel Toys Agency

Bashirbagh, Hyderabad

(opp Gandhi Medical College)

Tel 231270

Toys, board games

B80

Regal Sports and Indiana Sports (see Sporting
Goods) also stocks toys.

Toy Emporium Extension

Model House

Panjagutta, Hyderabad

Tel 319923

B33

Walden's

6-3-871 Greenlands Road

Begumpet

Hyderabad

Tel 313434

B17

Travel Agents

Sai Travels

First floor (opp Tulsi Medical Hall)

Panjagutta, Hyderabad

They specialize in booking train tickets.

B35

Sita World Travels

Sita House, Hyderguda

Hyderabad

Tel 233628

C46

Star Tour and Travels

3-5-943/104 Narayanguda

Hyderabad

Tel 234415

C42

Thomas Cook India

Administration Building, ICRISAT

Tel 596161, ext 2141, 2239, 2213

and

Nasir Arcade

Saifabad, Hyderabad

Tel 231988

B71

Travel Corporation (India)

102 Regency House

Somajiguda, Hyderabad

Tel 312722

B23

Umbrella Repair

An umbrella-fixing "wala" can be found at the
level crossing in Khairatabad.

B68

Upholstery and Drapery

SU Bulchand and Co

124 Mahatma Gandhi Road

Secunderabad

Tel 842388

D8

Dream Decor

May Fair, Sardar Patel Road

Secunderabad

Tel 844884

B93

Mahajans

124 Mahatma Gandhi Road

Secunderabad

Tel 841800

D8

Veterinarians

(Colonel) Dr K Prakash Rao
1-2-412 Gaganmahal, Lower Tankbund
Hyderabad
Tel 236857

B88

Lakshmi Srinivasan M VSc (Surgery)
8-2-414, Road 4, Banjara Hills
Hyderabad
Tel 316036, 398474
Appointments after 1730

B5

Veterinary Supplies

Madupu Traders
4-3-560/B Tilak Road, Abids, Hyderabad
Tel 595265

Full range of veterinary supplies C40

Many supermarkets carry such pet supplies as collars and leashes, dog biscuits, and brushes.

Video Sale and Rental

Priyadarshini Video Library
Road 12, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad

Video rentals B56

Sangeet Sagar
5-9-29/7 Bashirbagh (near Mor Chemists)
Hyderabad

Tel 235346 B82

and
Mahatma Gandhi Road
(near Paradise Circle)

Secunderabad
Tel 816186

A large range of videos for sale D5

Top Shop Video

Emerald Court
Sarojini Devi Road, Secunderabad

Video rentals D3

Several shops selling videos can be found on the first floor of Babukhan Estate, Bashirbagh, Hyderabad (C3B). Also, Walden's (B17) has a large range of videos for sale.

Watches and Watch Repair

Ramesh Watches
127, 128 Mahatma Gandhi Circle
Secunderabad
Tel 812649, 812785

Sale and repair of clocks and watches D14

Titan
Methodist Complex
Abids, Hyderabad
Tel 203580 C10

and
Amrutha Mall, Somajiguda, Hyderabad
Tel 310351

Modern, stylish, Indian-made watches B19

Western Clothing

Allen Solly
Amit Plaza
Somajiguda, Hyderabad
Mens' business and dress wear

Amar Ladies' Emporium
5-9-236 Abid Road
Hyderabad
Tel 202419, C15

and
Chenoy Trade Centre
Parklane, Secunderabad
Tel 844375

Ladies' lingerie D22

Arrow

27 Amrutha Mall, Somajiguda, Hyderabad
Tel 310930

Mens' business wear B19

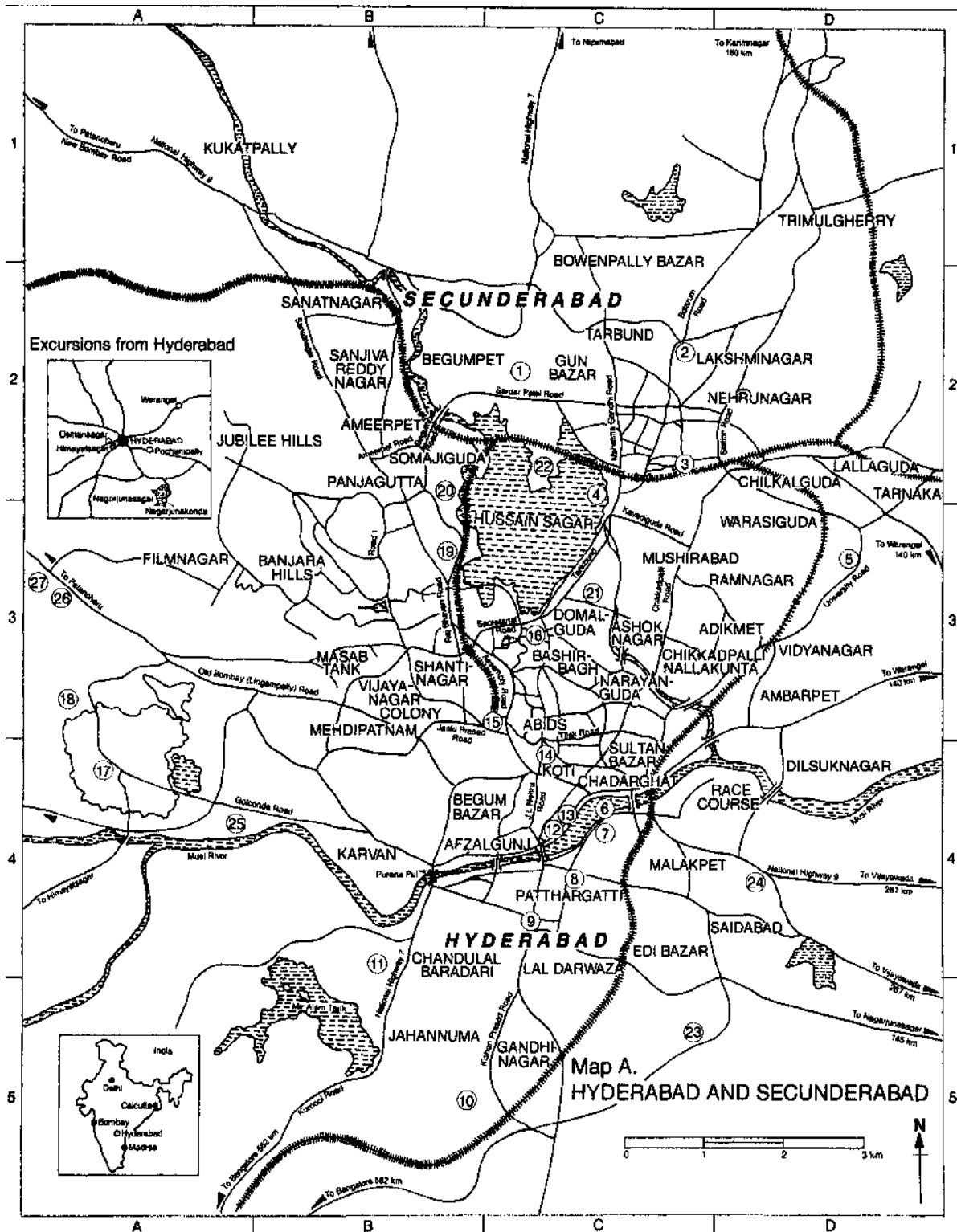
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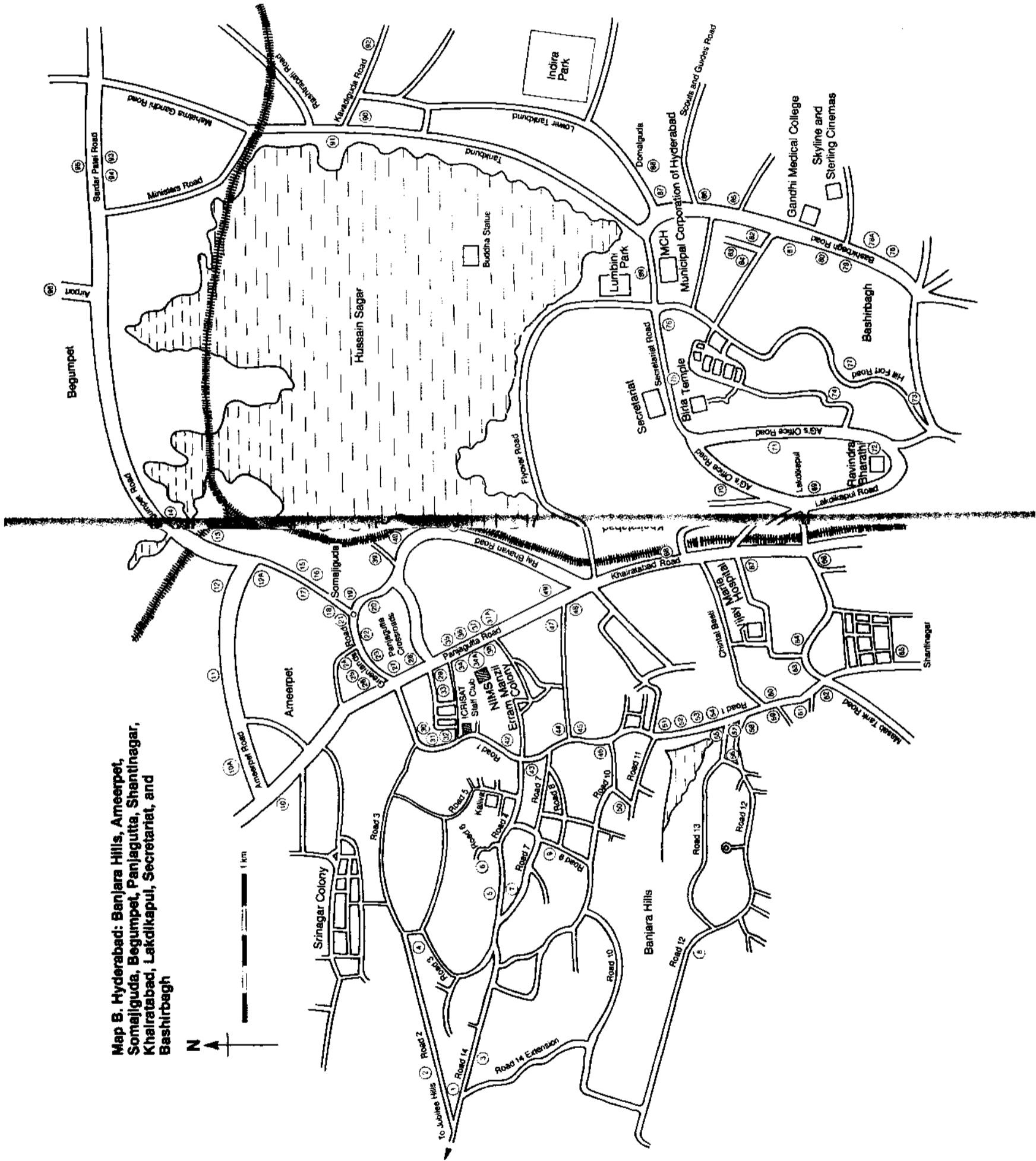
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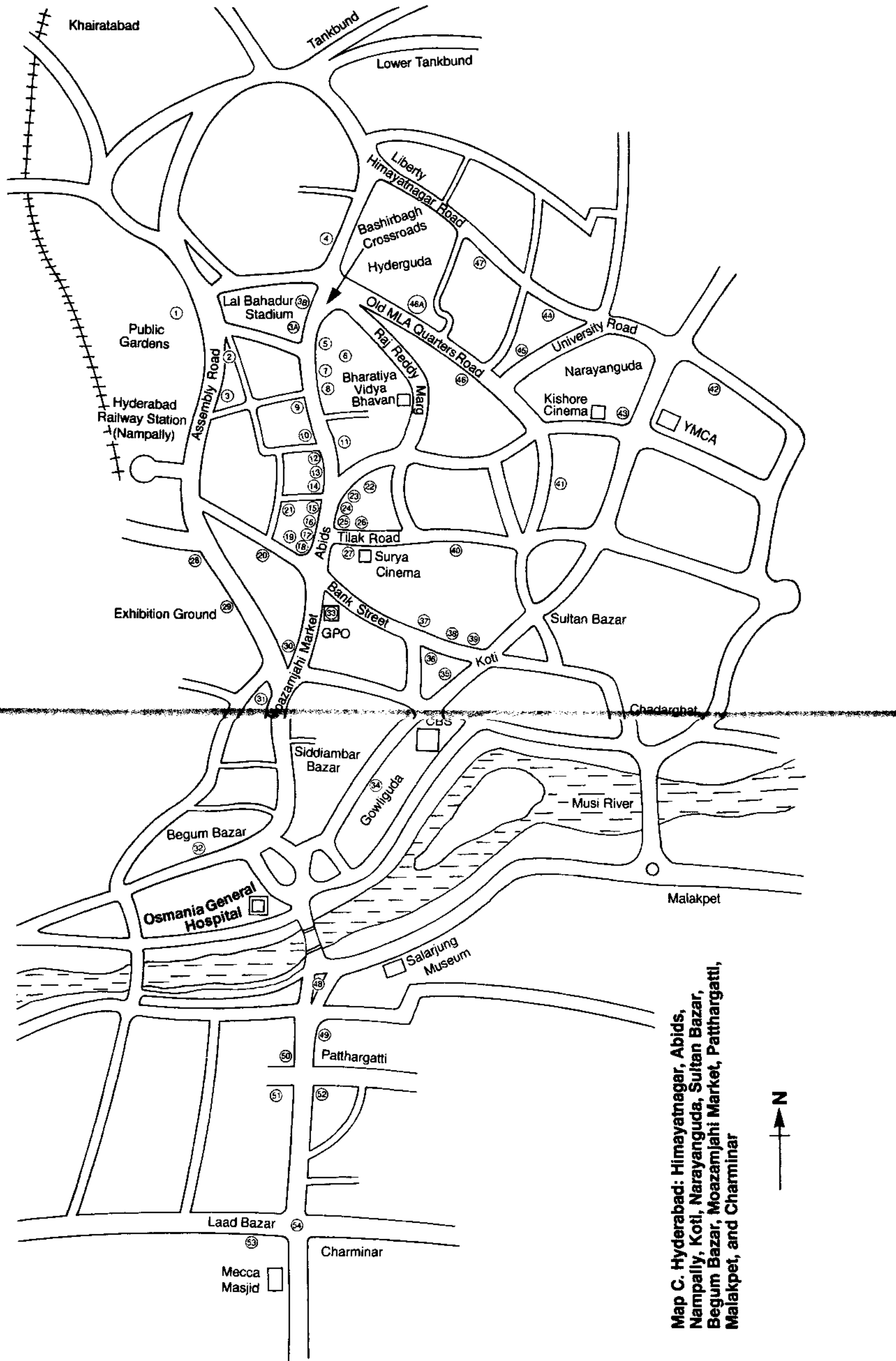
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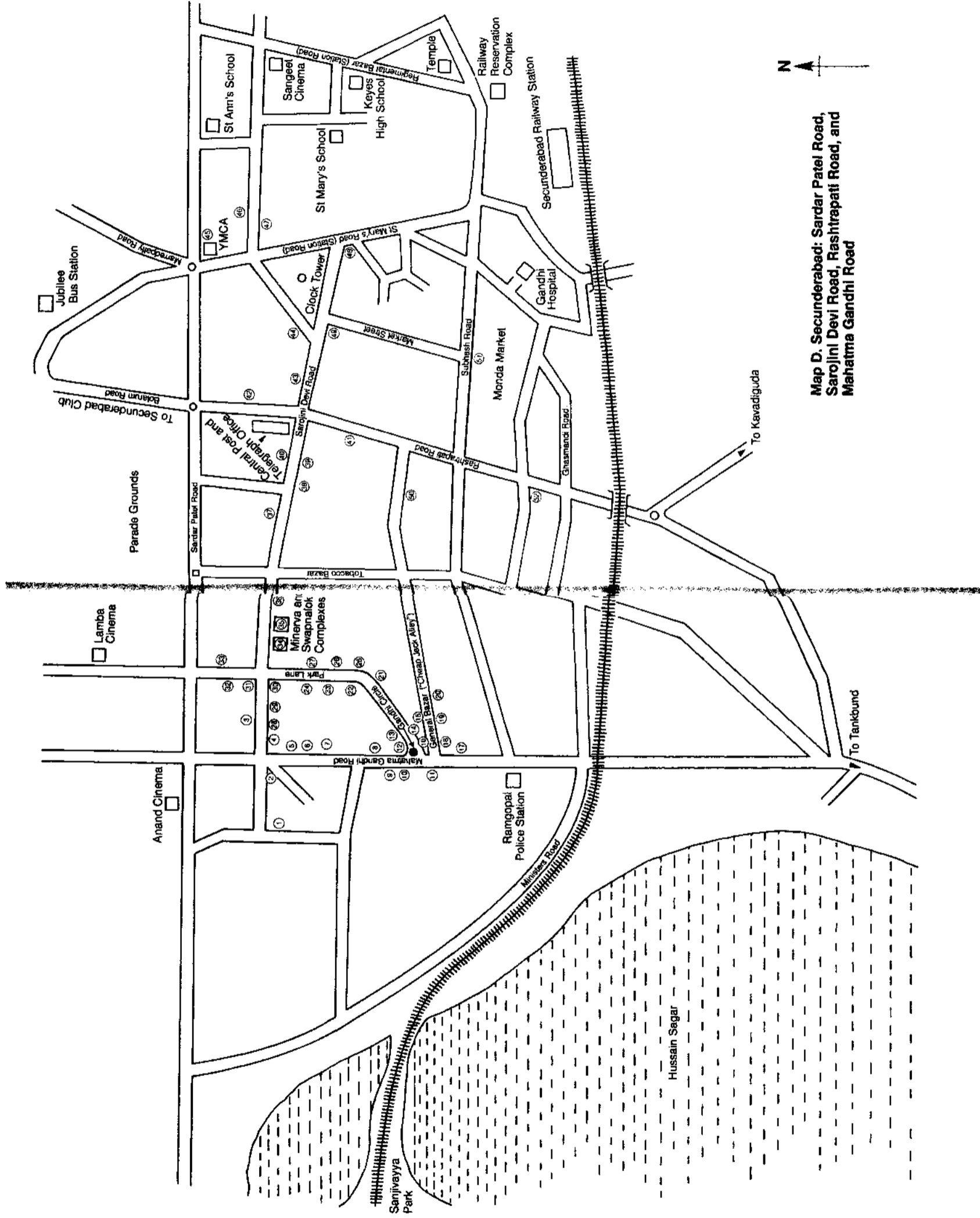
Map B. Hyderabad: Banjara Hills, Ameerpet, Somajiguda, Begumpet, Panjagutta, Shantinagar, Khairatabad, Lakdikapui, Secretariat, and Bashirbagh





Map C. Hyderabad: Himayatnagar, Abids, Nampally, Koti, Narayanguda, Sultan Bazar, Begum Bazar, Moazamjahi Market, Patthargatti, Malakpet, and Charminar





Map D. Secunderabad: Sardar Patel Road, Sarojini Devi Road, Rashtreepati Road, and Mahatma Gandhi Road

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