

Hampi utsav '05
November 3-5, 2005

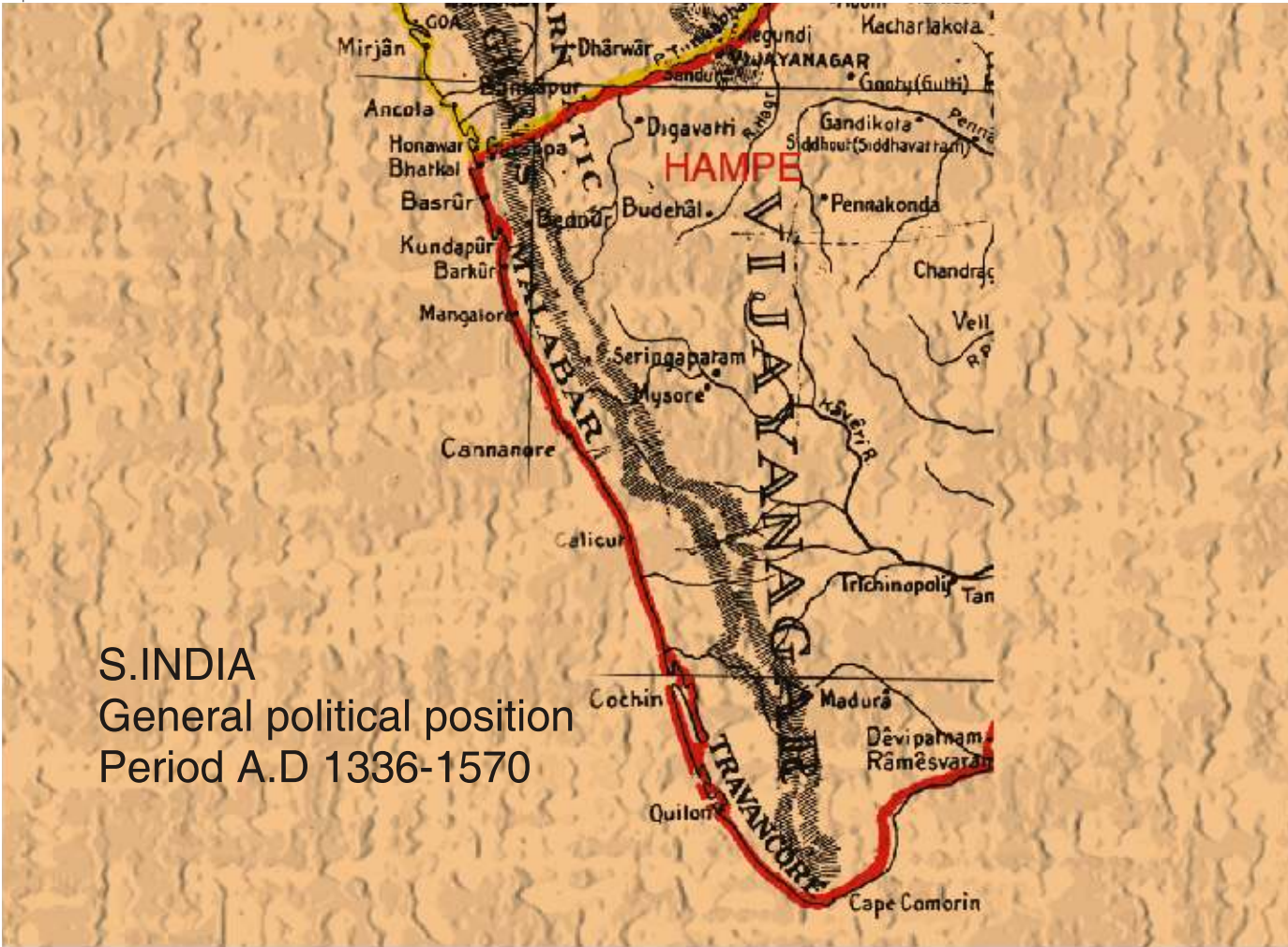


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How to get there

District	Bellary
By Road	Hospet 13km Bangalore 365km (This represents an approx.10 hour overnight journey from Bangalore)
By Rail	Hospet 13km
By Air	Dabolim (Goa) 300km (nearest airport)



What's on at Hampi Utsav

The Hampi Utsav'05 is being held from November 3-5. Eminent artistes such as Pandit Satish Vyaas, Geetha Javadekar, Arti Anklikar and Shivanand Patil will all be performing at this cultural extravaganza.

Artistes from various parts of India, including a "Tamasha" troupe from Maharashtra, a folk team from Sri Lanka and wrestlers from Pakistan have been invited for the event. A training workshop on theatre will be held with the assistance of the National School of Drama.

Besides, there will also be Shailesh Bhagawat, disciple of shehanai maestro Ustad Bismillah Khan, Ajay Chokravarty, Vasundhara, wife of the late Kumar Gandharva, Srinivas Joshi, son of Pandit Bhimsen Joshi, dancers Madhavi Mudugal and Ranjan and U. Srinivas, the mandolin maestro, all of who will participate at Hampi this year.

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A kingdom on the banks of the Tungabhadra

Hampi, once the capital of the mighty Vijaynagar empire, sits in stony silence, set amidst an awesome boulder-strewn landscape along the banks of the river Tungabhadra 12 kms. away from the sleepy town of Hospet in Bellary district. It is dotted with opulent palaces, temples, massive fortifications, baths, markets, pavilions, stables for royal elephants and elegantly carved pillars. This was a city whose merchants according to one Portuguese visitor sold "every sort of thing on earth". A visit to Hampi will leave you in stunned silence at the sheer magnificence of the ruins that envelop you with their beauty, elegance and architectural perfection.

Hampi Utsav, 2005

The ruins form the backdrop for the Hampi cultural extravaganza being held from November 3-5, 2005. Every year, artistes from all over the country are invited to perform at this wondrous site, bringing the arts and culture alive. One is transported to a long lost era feeling the resonance throbbing through one's soul.

IBM at Hampi Utsav 2005

IBM has always been a committed corporate citizen where heritage is concerned. It believes in preserving the cultural tradition where it operates in, by supporting various causes that give the necessary impetus to the local communities in keeping the culture and tradition alive.

In fact, IBM's Corporate Community Relations program in India has quite a few initiatives in the education space, leveraging its technological expertise to take education to the grass roots level.



Corporate Community Relations Initiatives

KidSmart

A program designed for pre-school and primary school children from economically challenged families, IBM gives these children access to technology by providing computers. This provides a platform to the children to acquire important skills and concepts, helping them gain a jump-start on elementary school education.

TryScience

TryScience.org is an online gateway where children can log in to experience the excitement of contemporary science and technology in an interactive medium. TryScience is a partnership between IBM Corporation, the New York Hall of Science (NYHOS), the Association of Science-Technology Centers (ASTC), and science centers worldwide.

EXITE

The IBM EXITE (Exploring Interests in Technology and Engineering) camps are designed to generate interest in mathematics and science, provide young women with a better appreciation of career opportunities in technology fields and how they can be successful in those fields.



IBM MentorPlace

IBM MentorPlace is a key component of IBM's overall commitment to public education and raising student achievement. Through its corporate volunteer program, IBM employees provide students with academic assistance, career counseling and mentor them on various issues and concerns they may have, besides working with teachers and providing them with assistance in technology areas.

Accessibility

These are technology focused programs intended to provide access to technology to groups who are conventionally not associated with using technology - such as physically/mentally challenged people, or socially/economically backward people - and supports the entire hardware and software requirements necessary for these groups.

On Demand Community

On Demand Community is an employee volunteer program that formalizes the spirit of volunteering within IBM, by supporting and encouraging employees to volunteer in their local communities. This is done by providing tools and resources to the organizations that they choose to support thus recognizing, and in turn, supporting the organizations that employees work with over a period of time.

