

THE ULTIMATE MOTORCYCLING ADVENTURE HEADS BACK TO THE MIGHTY HIMALAYAS

## ROYAL ENFIELD FLAGS OFF THE 21ST EDITION OF HIMALAYAN ODYSSEY FROM CHANDIGARH

- 18 Days | 77 Riders | 2,600 KM
- Ride to Umling La, the world's highest motorable pass at 19,026 ft
- Traversing through three of the most iconic Himalayan destinations: Ladakh, Spiti and Zaskar including the challenging routes from Kaza to Gramphu



**Delhi, June 30, 2025** — Royal Enfield's annual journey into the Himalayas — the Himalayan Odyssey — set off today from Chandigarh, marking the 21st edition of what has become one of the world's most iconic motorcycling expeditions. Royal Enfield Himalayan Odyssey has stood as an icon of adventure and camaraderie for over two decades, taking adventure seekers through the soul-stirring landscapes of upper Himalayas on a journey that's as much about discovery as it is about grit.

Continuing the Himalayan Odyssey tradition, participants were blessed by Buddhist lamas in a vibrant traditional Ladakhi ceremony before the flag-off. A total of 77 riders embarked on this epic journey that will cover more than 2,600 kilometres across Spiti, Zaskar and Ladakh over the next 18 days. The 2025 contingent consists of riders from India and other countries including Argentina, the US, Brazil, Germany, South Korea and more. While most riders in the contingent are first-timers, some have come back to experience the unforgettable journey yet again after 10 years drawn by a route that promises both physical challenge and the solitude of scale.

The ride comprises two groups — Team Spiti and Team Zaskar — each following a distinct loop across Himachal Pradesh, Ladakh, Spiti and Zaskar. One team sets off via Narkanda, Kalpa and Kaza, riding through Keylong, and the stargazing haven of Sarchu en route to Leh, then onward to Hanle and Umling La before returning by way of Padum, Jispa and Manali. The other travels in the opposite direction,

departing through Manali, Jispa and Padum, continuing to Leh and Umling La via Hanle, and completing the loop through Sarchu, Kaza, Kalpa and Narkanda. Both the ride routes will conclude on July 15, 2025 in Chandigarh, after completing a wide circuit that includes both smooth highways and some of the world's most remote and difficult roads, including Umling La, currently the highest motorable pass in the world.

While 2025 Himalayan Odyssey will include breathtaking views and incredible experiences, it remains steadfast in contributing to Royal Enfield's #LeaveEveryPlaceBetter initiative. Riders will strive to promote and emphasise on sustainable and responsible practices on this motorcycle journey through various efforts that reduce plastic waste footprint in the Himalayan region.

## Himalayan Odyssey 2025 Route:

### Team Zanskar

Group Zanskar					
	Day	Date	Start	End	Meals
0	Saturday	28/06	Chandigarh (Check-In, Scrutiny)		Dinner
1	Sunday	29/06	Chandigarh (First Aid Training, Briefing)		All Meals
2	Monday	30/06	Chandigarh	Manali	Bf & Dinner
3	Tuesday	01/07	Manali	Jispa	Bf & Dinner
4	Wednesday	02/07	Jispa	Padum	Bf & Dinner
5	Thursday	03/07	Padum	Leh	Bf & Dinner
6	Friday	04/07	Leh (Rest day)		Bf
7	Saturday	05/07	Leh	Hanle	Bf & Dinner
8	Sunday	06/07	Hanle - Umling La	Hanle	All Meals
9	Monday	07/07	Hanle	Leh	Bf & Dinner
10	Tuesday	08/07	Leh	Sarchu	Bf & Dinner
11	Wednesday	09/07	Sarchu	Keylong	Bf & Dinner
12	Thursday	10/07	Keylong	Kaza	Bf & Dinner
13	Friday	11/07	Kaza (Rest day)		Bf
14	Saturday	12/07	Kaza	Kalpa	Bf & Dinner

15	Sunday	13/07	Kalpa	Narkanda	Bf & Dinner
16	Monday	14/07	Narkanda	Chandigarh	Bf & Dinner
17	Tuesday	15/07	Chandigarh (Check out)		Bf

## Team Spiti

	Group Spiti				
	Day	Date	Start	End	Meals
0	Saturday	28/06	Chandigarh (Check-In, Scrutiny)		Dinner
1	Sunday	29/06	Chandigarh (First Aid Training, Briefing)		All Meals
2	Monday	30/06	Chandigarh	Narkanda	Bf & Dinner
3	Tuesday	01/07	Narkanda	Kalpa	Bf & Dinner
4	Wednesday	02/07	Kalpa	Kaza	Bf & Dinner
5	Thursday	03/07	Kaza (Rest Day)		Bf
6	Friday	04/07	Kaza	Keylong	Bf & Dinner
7	Saturday	05/07	Keylong	Sarchu	Bf & Dinner
8	Sunday	06/07	Sarchu	Leh	Bf & Dinner
9	Monday	07/07	Leh	Hanle	Bf & Dinner
10	Tuesday	08/07	Hanle - Umling La	Hanle	All Meals
11	Wednesday	09/07	Hanle	Leh	Bf & Lunch
12	Thursday	10/07	Leh (Rest Day)		Bf
13	Friday	11/07	Leh	Padum	Bf & Dinner
14	Saturday	12/07	Padum	Jispa	Bf & Dinner
15	Sunday	13/07	Jispa	Manali	Bf
16	Monday	14/07	Manali	Chandigarh	Bf & Dinner

17	Tuesday	15/07	Chandigarh (Check out)	Bf
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## About Himalayan Odyssey:

Started in 1997, the Himalayan Odyssey has come to represent the ultimate motorcycling experience in the Himalayas. It's a journey of self discovery and human endurance that inspires and enables riders to fulfill their dream of riding to the Himalayas. The Himalayan Odyssey is a life changing experience, and over 18 days, the riders face challenges together that will strengthen the sense of camaraderie amongst them and in the end leave every rider with memories which will remain deeply etched in the mind forever.

In Royal Enfield Himalayan Odyssey 2019, Royal Enfield initiated the #LeaveEveryPlaceBetter campaign which aimed at a zero single-use-plastic ride by discouraging participants from using bottled water, and facilitating purified water by employing dispensers along the way.

To cut down the use of single use plastic bottles, Royal Enfield set up community water purifiers along this route. Six purifiers were installed across strategic locations in the popular Manali Leh route- Keylong Service Centre, Sarchu Camps, Leh Service Centre, Nubra swiss Camps, Pangong Camps and Swiss camps in Debring, while three additional water purifiers were used throughout the journey for Himalayan Odyssey participants. Pure and filtered water was made available to riders traversing this route, thereby negating the need to purchase single-use plastic water bottles.

## About Royal Enfield

The oldest motorcycle brand in continuous production, Royal Enfield has created beautifully crafted motorcycles since 1901. From its British roots, a manufacturing plant was established in Madras in 1955, a foothold from which Royal Enfield spearheaded the growth of India's mid-sized two-wheeler segment. Royal Enfields are engaging, uncomplicated, accessible and fun to ride; a vehicle for exploration and self-expression. It's an approach the brand calls Pure Motorcycling.

Royal Enfield's premium line-up includes Bear 650, Classic 650, Guerrilla 450 modern roadster, Hunter 350, Meteor 350, Super Meteor 650, Interceptor 650 and Continental GT 650 twins, the Shotgun 650, the Himalayan 450, the Scram 440 ADV Crossover, the iconic Bullet 350, Classic 350 and Goan Classic 350. The company recently unveiled its new city+ motorcycle brand – the Flying Flea – a fresh take on urban mobility, blending authentic design with advanced technology.

Riders and a passionate community are fostered with a rich profusion of events at a local, regional and international level. Most notable are Motoverse (previously Rider Mania), an annual gathering of thousands of Royal Enfield enthusiasts in Goa, and Himalayan Odyssey; a yearly pilgrimage over some of the toughest terrain and highest mountain passes.

A division of Eicher Motors Limited, Royal Enfield operates through more than 2000 stores across all major cities and towns in India and through nearly 850 stores in more than 60 countries around the globe. Royal Enfield also has two world-class technical centres, in Bruntingthorpe, UK, and in Chennai, India. The company's two state-of-the-art production facilities are located at Oragadam and Vallam Vadagal, near Chennai. Across the world, Royal Enfield has six modern CKD assembly facilities in Bangladesh, Nepal, Brazil, Thailand, Argentina and Colombia.

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