Get ready to scale new heights, explore beauty, experience spirituality and discover yourself as you rediscover serenity and composure.

OVERVIEW
- Kailash Manasarovar Yatra is known for its religious value, cultural significance, physical beauty and thrilling nature. It is undertaken by hundreds of people every year. Holding significance for the Hindus as the abode of Lord Shiva, it holds religious importance also for the Jains and the Buddhists.
- The Yatra is open to eligible Indian citizens, aged at least 18 years and below 70 years as on 01.01.2012, who wish to proceed to Kailash-Manasarovar for religious purposes.
- The Yatra is organized by the Ministry of External Affairs every year. In 2012, the Yatra is planned to be arranged from 29 May to 26 September in 16 batches. The duration of the Yatra proper for each batch will be 27 days.
- Given the extremely arduous nature of the Yatra, only those who are physically fit and healthy should apply to undertake the Yatra, purely at their own volition, cost, risk and consequences.

SELECTION PROCESS
- The selection of Yatrins will be done by the Ministry of External Affairs through a fair computer-generated random gender-balanced selection process.
- The selected applicants will qualify for the Yatra after passing two sets of specific medical examinations at the Delhi Heart & Lung Institute and the ITBP Base Hospital, New Delhi, before the Yatra proper; and the third set of medical test at Gunji after 5 days into the Yatra proper.

HOW TO APPLY FOR THE YATRA
- Application Form, Declaration and detailed instructions to file applications are available at the following website: http://mea.gov.in/mystart.php?id=5203
- Deadline for filing online applications: 5 March 2012
- Deadline for filing paper applications: 12 March 2012
- Fees are to be paid after selection.

BATCHES
- In 2012, it is planned to send sixteen batches, each consisting of a maximum of 60 pilgrims.

WEB LINKS FOR INFORMATION ON YATRA
- For detailed information on the Yatra, applicants may browse the MEA website (http://mea.gov.in/mystart.php?id=5203), which hosts the following documents:
  - Kailash Manasarovar Yatra 2012: Guide Book for Yatrins
  - Online application form
  - Printable application form
  - Declaration
  - Indemnity Bond
  - Undertaking
  - Consent Form
- Applicants may also like to browse the following link for KMY-2012: http://kmy-2012.webstarts.com
- Applicants may also like to browse the KMY account on the Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Kailash-Mansarovar-Yatra/266791833345919
- Kailash Manasarovar Yatra 2012: Guide Book for Yatrins can also be accessed at the following web links:
  - Hindi: http://issuu.com/indiandiplomacy/docs/kailash_manasarovar_yatra_hindi
  - English: http://issuu.com/indiandiplomacy/docs/kailashmanasarvaryatra_english

LEGAL
- Without prejudice to the foregoing, all claims, disputes, differences shall be subject to the jurisdiction of Courts in New Delhi only.

Last date to register online 5th March 2012

For more information, visit www.mea.gov.in