

# ***SOUTH EASTERN RAILWAY***

## ***KHARAGPUR DIVISION***



# ***DIGHA RAILWAY STATION***

### ***About Digha***

Digha is a seaside resort town in the state of West Bengal, India. It lies in Purba Medinipur district and at the northern end of the Bay of Bengal. It has a low gradient with a shallow sand beach. It is the most popular sea resort in West Bengal. Digha is a terminal railway station on the Tamluk-Digha branch line. The railway station is near New Digha beach.

Country :	India
State :	West Bengal
Location :	Digha - Chandaneswar Road, Digha, Purba Midnapur
Languages [Official] :	Bengali, Hindi, English
Time zone :	IST (UTC+5:30)
Elevation :	6 m (20 ft)
Co-ordinates :	21° 37' 22" N
Owned by :	Indian Railway
Operated by :	South Eastern Railway
Division(s) :	Kharagpur Division
Line(s) :	Tamluk-Digha Branch Line
Platforms :	03 (Three)
Tracks :	03 (Three)
Station Code :	DGHA
Zone(s):	Kolkata Suburban Railway



## History

Originally, there was a place called Beerkul, where Digha lies today. This name was referred in Warren Hastings's letters (1780) as Brighton of the East. An English businessman John Frank Snaith started living here in 1923 and his writings provided a good exposure to this place. He convinced West Bengal Chief Minister Bidhan Chandra Roy to develop this place to be a beach resort. An old Church is well famous in Digha, which can be seen near the Old Digha Main gate this place is also known as Alankarpur Digha. A new mission has been

developed in New Digha which is known as Sindhur Tara which is beside Amrabati Park its a Church where you can wish for the welfare of your family and loved ones. The best way to visit is to book a local van rickshaw.

## **Geography**

Digha is located at 21.68°N 87.55°E. It has an average elevation of 6 metres (20 ft). It is located 183 km (114 mi) from Kolkata/Howrah via Mecheda and 234 km (145 mi) via Kharagpur, this proximity has probably helped this small hamlet to emerge as a popular weekend getaway with number of good hotels and tourist lodges. Digha is connected to Kolkata/Howrah by a highway and a rail-link via Tamluk.

## **Police Stations**

Digha police station has jurisdiction over part of Ramnagar I (part) CD Block. It covers an area of 3,153 km<sup>2</sup> with a population of 35,054. It is located in old Digha. Digha Mohana Coastal police station is located in Digha.

## **Climates**

There are mainly three seasons in Digha, namely summer, monsoon and winter. Summer starts in April and continues to till June with an maximum temperature of 37 °C (99 °F). Although cold wind from sea keeps the weather pleasant in this time. Next comes monsoon in July and lasts till the end of September. Digha generally experiences an average rainfall with high humidity in the monsoon season. Winter sets in October and lasts till February with a temperature range from 24.3 °C. July to March is considered as the best time to visit Digha as weather stays most pleasant in these times.

## **Transportation**

**Bus Service:** There are frequent bus services to Digha from Dharmatala, Garia and Joka bus stand of Kolkata, Burdwan, Bolpur, Siliguri, Asansol, Kirnagar, Baharampur, Kharagpur, Medinipur(West), Medinipur(East) and many other sides of West Bengal. Buses are available from Howrah as well, a connection has been made from Sealdah to Digha where a private bus arrives at 8:30 am throughout the week. It takes the shortest route from Sealdah connecting S.N Banerjee road, Taltala, Wellington, Dhramtalla to Howrah station, it departs from Howrah Station to Digha.

**Train Service:** There are 03 (Three) Numbers trains daily services between Howrah to Digha and also 02 (Two) Numbers EMU Trains daily serives from Santragachi (SRC) and Panskura (PKU) to Digha Station. All Three popular trains i.e. Kandari Express, Super AC Express and Tamralipta Express run during extended weekends and holidays. Total 18 (Eighteen) Trains

(including Up Trains and Down Trains) services between Howrah, Puri, Vishakhapatnam, Asansol, Malda and New Jalpaiguri to Digha and vice-versa.

### [Area of Digha](#)

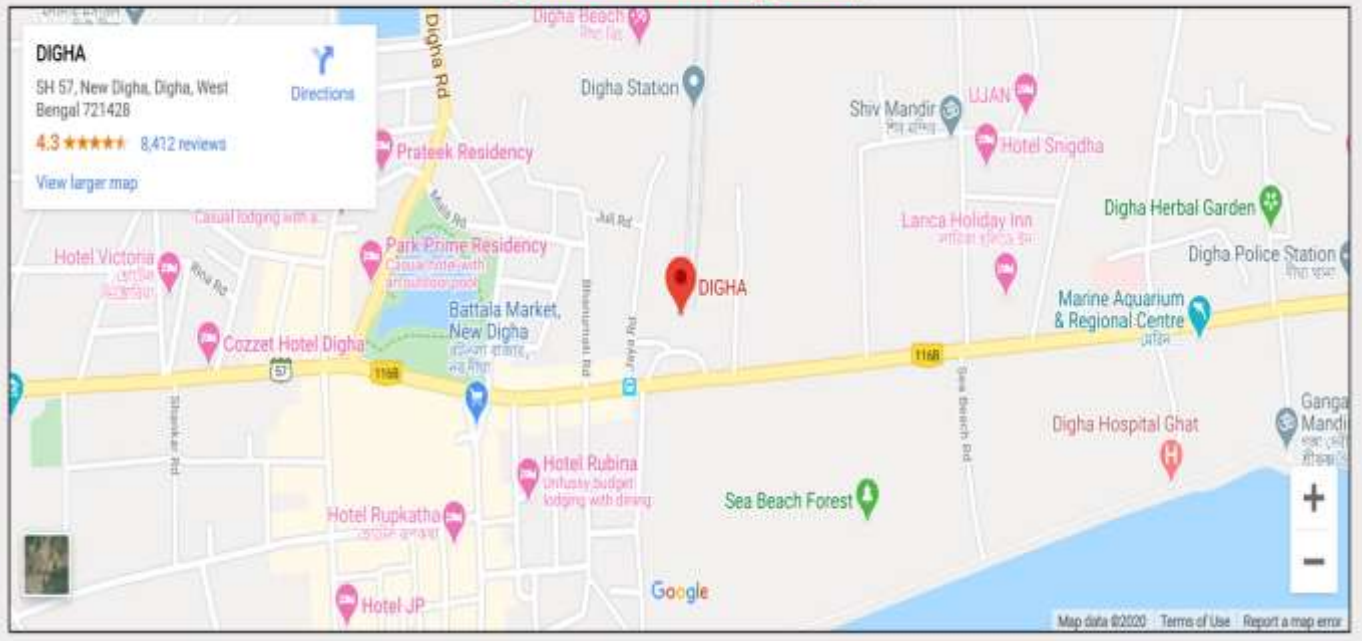
Digha's old beach is not as wide as it used to be due to heavy soil erosion. Big stones and concrete steps are used to hold together the beach. Another problem is the record number of storm surges that have caused many of the unplanned shacks and smaller hotels to succumb to the sea. Since it is one of very few popular beaches in West Bengal, it gets overcrowded, especially during the cooler winter break. A new beach has been developed "New Digha" which is about 2 km (1.2 mi) from the old beach. This new beach is not only bigger than the old one, but might be considered a better one. It is clean and well-maintained and is not surrounded by a congested locality like the older beach. The latest attraction of New Digha is the Science Centre established by the National Council of Science Museums. The entire stretch of the Digha seaface from Old Digha to New Digha is filled with casuarina plantations, which looks beautiful.

### [TRAIN TIME TABLE FROM DIGHA STATION](#)

Sl	Train Number	Station From - To	Arr Time	Dept Time	Days
1	Digha Santragachi EMU (68686)	DIGHA (DGHA) - SANTRAGACHI (SRC)	--	05:40	Daily
2	Digha Panskura EMU (68688)	DIGHA (DGHA) - PANSKURA (PKU)	--	06:45	Daily
3	Kandari Express (22898)	DIGHA (DGHA) - KOLKATA (HWH)	--	18:15	Daily
4	Tamralipta Express (12858)	DIGHA (DGHA) - KOLKATA (HWH)	--	10:25	Daily
5	Digha Howrah Super AC Express (12848)	DIGHA (DGHA) - KOLKATA (HWH)	--	15:30	Daily
6	Paharia Express (15721)	DIGHA (DGHA) - NEW JALPAIGURI (NJP)	--	16:30	Saturday Only
7	Digha Puri Express (22889)	DIGHA (DGHA) - PURI (PURI)	--	17:15	Thursday Only
8	Digha Vishakapatnam Express (22873)	DIGHA (DGHA) - VISHAKAPATNAM (VSKP)	--	17:15	Friday Only
9	Digha Malda Town Express (13417)	DIGHA (DGHA) - MALDA (MLDT)	--	23:55	Thursday Only
10	Puri Digha Express (22890)	PURI (PURI) - DIGHA (DGHA)	09:25	--	Saturday Only
11	Vishakapatnam Digha Express (22874)	VISHAKAPATNAM (VSKP) - DIGHA (DGHA)	09:25	--	Thursday Only
12	Tamralipta Express (12857)	KOLKATA (HWH) - DIGHA (DGHA)	09:57	--	Daily
13	Mecheda Digha EMU (68685)	MECHEDA (MCA) - DIGHA (DGHA)	10:55	--	Daily
14	Paharia Express (15722)	NEW JALPAIGURI (NJP) - DIGHA (DGHA)	12:00	--	Friday Only
15	Howrah Digha Super AC Express (12847)	KOLKATA (HWH) - DIGHA (DGHA)	14:20	--	Daily
16	Kandari Express (22897)	KOLKATA (HWH) - DIGHA (DGHA)	17:37	--	Daily
17	Malda Town Digha Express (13418)	MALDA (MLDT) - DIGHA (DGHA)	20:40	--	Thursday Only
18	Santragachi Digha EMU (68687)	SANTRAGACHI (SRC) - DIGHA (DGHA)	20:50	--	Daily



## Digha Station on Google Map



### PASSENGERS AMENITIES AT DIGHA RAILWAY STATION

SL	NAME	NUMBERS	PLACE WHERE AVAILABLE	RULE
1	HIGH LEVEL PLATFORM	03 (THREE)		
2	WAITING HALL	01 (ONE) 2ND CLASS	IN FRONT OF STATION MANAGER OFFICE	
3	WAITING HALL (02)	UPPER CLASS W/H GENTS & LADIES	FIRST FLOOR	
4	WAITING HALL (03)	AC PAID LOUNGE	AT THE END OF THE STATION BUILDING TOWARDS 2ND ENTRANCE/EXT GATE	
5	WAITING HALL (04)	RESERVED LOUNGED FOR OFFICERS	BSEIDE STATION MANAGER OFFICE	
6	TICKET COUNTER	4 WINDOWS (2 UTS, 2 PRS)	AT THE ENTRANCE OF STATION BUILDING	
7	TOILET-FIRST	ONE	AT THE PLATFORM NO-01	
8	TOILET-SECOND	ONE	AT THE END OF THE PLATFORM NO: 2/3	
9	TOILET-THIRD	PAY & USE	IN THE SECOND CLASS WAITING HALL	
10	TOILET-FORTH	DIVYANGJAN	AT THE PLATFORM NO: 01	
11	WHEEL CHAIR	ONE	PANEL ROOM	SUBMIT ANY ID PPROOF AND TAKE FOR USE
12	CLOAK ROOM	--	FIRST FLOOR	CONTACT COMMERCIAL SUPERVISOR
13	RETIRING ROOM	2 NON-AC & 2 AC	FIRST FLOOR	ONLINE OR COUNTER BOOKING ONLY THROUGH CONFIRM PNR
14	SEATING ARRANGEMENT	83 NOS THREE SEATERS	ON PLATFORM	
15	WATER VAT	18 (EIGHTEEN)	ON PLATFORM	
16	WATER COOLING MACHINE	ONE	IN VAT NO : 01	
17	WATER VENDING MACHINE	ONE	BESIDE VAT NO:02 IN CONCOURSE AREA	

18	TEA STALL-FIRST	ONE	CONCOURSE AREA	
19	TEA STALL-SECOND	ONE	ON PLATFORM NO: 2/3	
20	AMULL STALL	ONE	IN CONCOURSE AREA	
21	ATVM	ONE	IN FRONT OF TICKET COUNTER	
22	BOTTLE CRUSHER MACHINE	ONE	BESIDE THE TICKET COUNTER	
23	WIFI		AVAILABLE AT WHOLE STATION AREA	
24	WHEEL CHAIR RAMP	ONE	AVAILABLE AT THE SIDE OF THE STAIRS	
25	BABY FEEDING CORNER	ONE	INSIDE THE LADIES WAITING HALL	
26	DIVYANGJAN PARKING	ONE	BESIDE THE RAMP	

## PHOTO GALLERY

