Know our Homestays

Jalaj Anand Ganga
Uttarkashi
Uttarakhand

Jalaj Aalay
Champawat
Uttarakhand

Jalaj Shiv Nandi
Rudraprayag
Uttarakhand

Jalaj Aadri
Pauri Garhwal
Uttarakhand

Jalaj Dhruv Nanda
Tehri
Uttarakhand

Jalaj XRA (Xtreme Real Adventure)
Chamoli
Uttarakhand

Jalaj Siddhartha
Chamoli
Uttarakhand

Jalaj Nayachar Eco Village
Nadia
West Bengal

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Experience Authentic Community Living with Our

JALAJ HOMESTAY

Jalaj – "A model for symbiotic linkages between river and communities."

Jalaj concept is aimed at establishing a symbiotic relationship between freshwater species and local communities. It not only promotes livelihood diversification through the promotion of local produce and services, by enhancing women participation in ecological and economic spheres but also actively promotes awareness on conservation of freshwater ecosystem. Communities empowered through Jalaj are trained to become resilient and take informed decisions on their natural resources. Various Jalaj models are envisioned as tool to achieve the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to provide nature-based solutions for addressing impacts of climate change. The Jalaj homestays not only sensitize the visitors about the conservation of the biodiversity of Ganga River, but also strengthen the local livelihood opportunities for our Ganga Praharis.

Escape the hustle and bustle of busy city life and immerse yourself in the soothing ambiance of our Jalaj homestay. Nestled within the heart of our vibrant community, Jalaj homestays offers a unique opportunity to experience authentic local culture and natural surroundings while supporting sustainable livelihood generation.

Aim

Jalaj aims to realize Arth Ganga in the Ganga River basin by linking local livelihoods with aquatic conservation.

Objectives

1) To establish 75 Jalaj for realizing Arth Ganga in the Ganga River Basin by linking conservation and livelihoods.
2) To create societal awareness towards aquatic biodiversity conservation in the Ganga River Basin.

Importance of Ganga River and its Conservation

Rivers are crucial to human existence, with the Ganga River system serving as a lifeline for marginalized communities across 11 states in India. This basin hosts diverse aquatic species, including the Gangetic dolphin and the rare gharial and crocodile, alongside resident and migratory birds, amphibians, turtles, and vegetation. Beyond its ecological importance, the Ganga holds significant cultural and socio-economic value, supporting millions of livelihoods in agriculture, fishing, and tourism. However, these activities often threaten the health of the river and its ecosystems. Hence, promotingeco-friendly livelihoods is essential for safe guarding the biodiversity of Ganga River and ensuring a sustainable future. Initiatives like Jalaj, which advocate for practices such as organic farming, sustainable fishing, and responsible tourism, offer economic opportunities while conserving the river. Moreover, raising awareness and engaging local communities in conservation efforts can instill a sense of ownership and foster collective commitment to conserving the rich biodiversity of the Ganga, thus enabling a harmonious coexistence between humans and nature.

DISCOVER

EXPLORE

SUPPORT

PLAN

Local Culture and Tradition

Experience the warmth of our hospitality as you become a part of our Jalaj community. From traditional meals prepared with locally source ingredients to cultural performances and hands-on experiences, our Jalaj homestay provides a glimpse into the rich heritage and traditions of our region. The home grown grains, milled at natural water based mill named "Gharat", serves the taste of mountain food.

The Natural Beauty

Wake up in the lap of nature and listen to the chirping of birds: Surrounded by breathtaking landscapes, our homestay serves as the perfect base for exploring the natural wonders of our region. From scenic hikes and nature walks to bird-watching, river walks, village tours, yoga and meditation, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

Sustainable Livelihoods

By choosing the Jalaj Homestays, you're not just booking a room – you're contributing to the economic empowerment of our community especially Women Ganga Praharis who are dedicated to conserve the Ganga River, its tributaries and its biodiversity. Proceeds from your stay directly support local initiatives, helping to create sustainable livelihoods for our Ganga Praharis.

Your Stay

Whether you're seeking a peaceful retreat or an immersive cultural experience, our Jalaj homestay offers the perfect blend of comfort, authenticity, and community engagement. Book your stay with us today and embark on a journey of discovery unlike any other.