

Love for the sea

You open your eyes after an all-nighter, dreading that you are still stuck in a box of an apartment, strung along with the rest of the concrete jungle you call home. Whether it is your weekend or a weekday, the never-ending incessant drowning city noise makes you contemplate on life decisions that you made oh so eagerly through your naive young self.

Now that you look back, being a digital nomad does not seem like a bad idea compared to a job that makes you glued to your windowless cubicle. However, such drawbacks often take us back to the place or a memory lane of pleasant experiences we have managed to acquire. For many, their fond memories, if not unique, often start with Cox's Bazar. Yes, the national vacation spot in Bangladesh. Before you roll your

eyes, it is undoubtedly an overrated place where most Bangladeshis have been for college, a vacation, a wedding, or a family trip.

But what exactly is so special about this "overrated" spot? The internet or ChatGpt will spout out the run-of-the-mill response; "It is a true natural wonder that catches the mind and inspires the soul with its 155 kilometres of unbroken shoreline." But how would you describe it? How would a backpacker describe it? Can you really define the



experience when you first felt the salty air through your hair? Why is it so unique? What is it about Cox's Bazar that draws us back time and time again?

In simple words, it is the call of the sea. Not many can understand it but perhaps DonnaDeLong Matthews's poem 'Call of the Sea' paints the most accurate picture for this weary writer—

Once again, I hear the call

Even though the day is bleak and cold
It is here where I find comfort
for my beaten, weary soul
As I stroll the water's edge
The sand is chilling to my bare feet
The damp wind cuts to the bone
but it is here I choose to retreat
The sea's utter majesty grasps you most
fortuitously.

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