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Top 5 places to visit in Mirsharai, Chattogram

Mirsharai upazila, nestled in the heart of Chattogram, is a sanctuary for tired souls when the monotony of life becomes a little too overwhelming. Although not yet a hot tourist spot like Cox's Bazar or Sylhet, Mirsharai began attracting visitors when its green landscapes, serene lakes, and beautiful waterfalls 'went viral' on social media a few years ago.

So, without further ado, here are 5 places that will make you want to plan your next vacation in Mirsharai.

Bawachhora Lake

Bawachhora Lake, also known as Nilambar Lake to locals, is a hidden gem of Mirsharai located along the perennial stream of Wahedpur village. The lake is mostly calm with the chirping of migratory birds and the sound of water descending from a nearby hill, giving it a natural picturesque setup.

As it is still undiscovered by seasonal tourists, Bawachhora Lake is yet to have direct road connectivity. Oddly enough,

this actually adds to the charm of this place and makes it an interesting destination for travellers.

The hills surrounding it are perfect for quiet walks or even a little hiking. The dense line of trees may look intimidating but is safe.

Napittachora Waterfall

Napittachora trail and waterfall are where adventure meets peace. To reach the waterfall itself you have to hike up through a rocky trail with the soothing sound of cascading water as your companion. After a long walk up the uneven stairs cut through the mountain, the exquisite Napittachora Waterfall finally comes into view, gracefully descending from great heights.

Whether you dip your ankles in the flowing stream or let it wash over you right at the base of the waterfall, the sense of tranquillity felt in that moment is incomparable.

Muhuri Project Tourist Spot

Muhuri River meanders through the

picturesque landscape, creating a mesmerising sight. Besides being the largest fisheries zone and the second largest irrigation project in the country, its enchanting beauty makes it an amazing tourist destination.

Under the clear sky, the artificial water channel is bordered by dams on all four sides making for a gorgeous sight. The sanctuary is currently home to more than fifty different bird species; something quite rare in our country.

Khoiyachora Waterfall

Perhaps one of the first names that comes to mind when thinking of Mirsharai is the Khoiyachora Waterfall. Having gained the title of Queen of Waterfalls by travellers, Khoiyachora is a majestic cascade of nine tiers, each more captivating than the other.

As the water falls into the calm pool below, the sheer force creates a stunning spectacle. Although it is quite the struggle to clamber up the muddy slippery hill, the

cold clear water washing over your feet every now and then seems to ease any discomfort.

Mohamaya Lake and Eco Park

Mohamaya Lake, the second largest artificial lake in Bangladesh, is a piece of aquatic beauty located just 2 km east of Thakurdighi Bazar of Mirsharai. Not only does the combination of rugged terrains and crystal-clear water make it a beautiful picnic spot, but an exquisite experience if you take a boat ride through the lake.

You can also spend the afternoon kayaking across the lake or choose to camp in the eco park at night.

Although winter seems to be the travel season for Bangladesh, the best time to visit the Mirsharai is right after monsoon when the lakes are full and waterfalls are in their most beautiful phase.

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