

6. CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE OF GANGES

The **Jal Mandir** meaning Water Temple, also known as **Apapuri**, in Pawapuri in Ganga basin, meaning a town without sins, in the Indian State of Bihar, is a highly revered temple dedicated to Lord Mahavira, the 24th Thirthankara and founder of Jain Religion, which marks the place of his cremation.

Kalighat Kali Temple is one of the oldest temples in Kolkata. It is situated on the old course of Hooghly river. Over the time, the river has moved away but a canal flows near the temple. This canal of Hooghly river is named as Adi Ganga as it is considered to be the original source of Hooghly river. Rani Rashmani is associated with the temple.



Ganga-The River of Life



Namo Ganga mata, bless us with continuous flow