

International Cultural Exchange Program

Topic: Festivals of Chhattishgarh

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Festival of Chhattisgarh

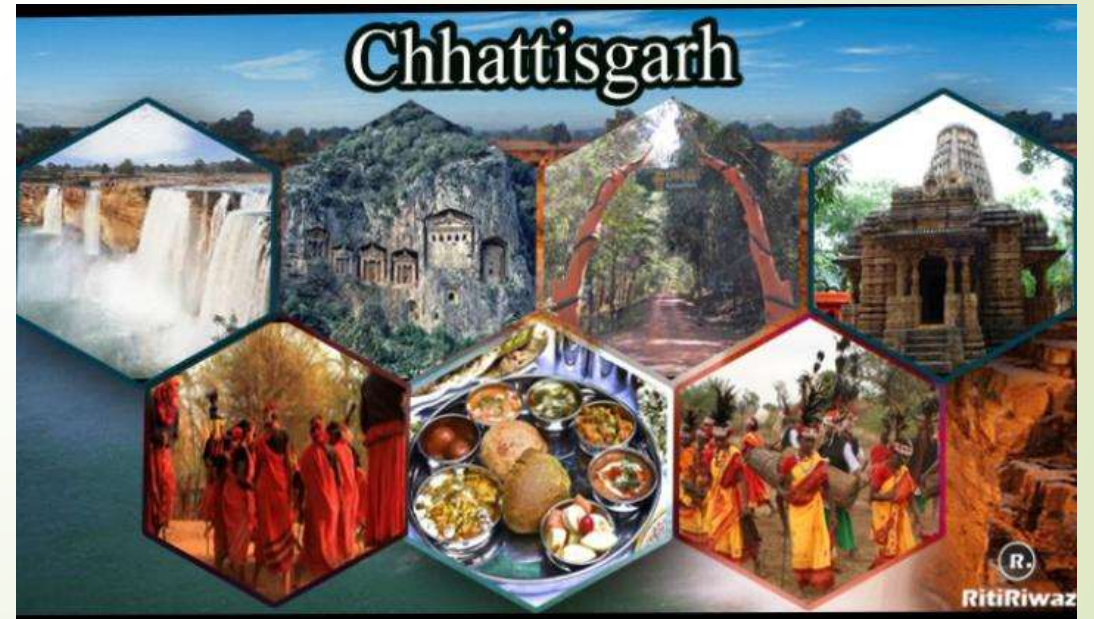


- **The state of Chhattisgarh is known for its various festival and celebration. Chhattisgarh is home to various types of tribals. Some special festival of Chattisgarh is**

Hareli

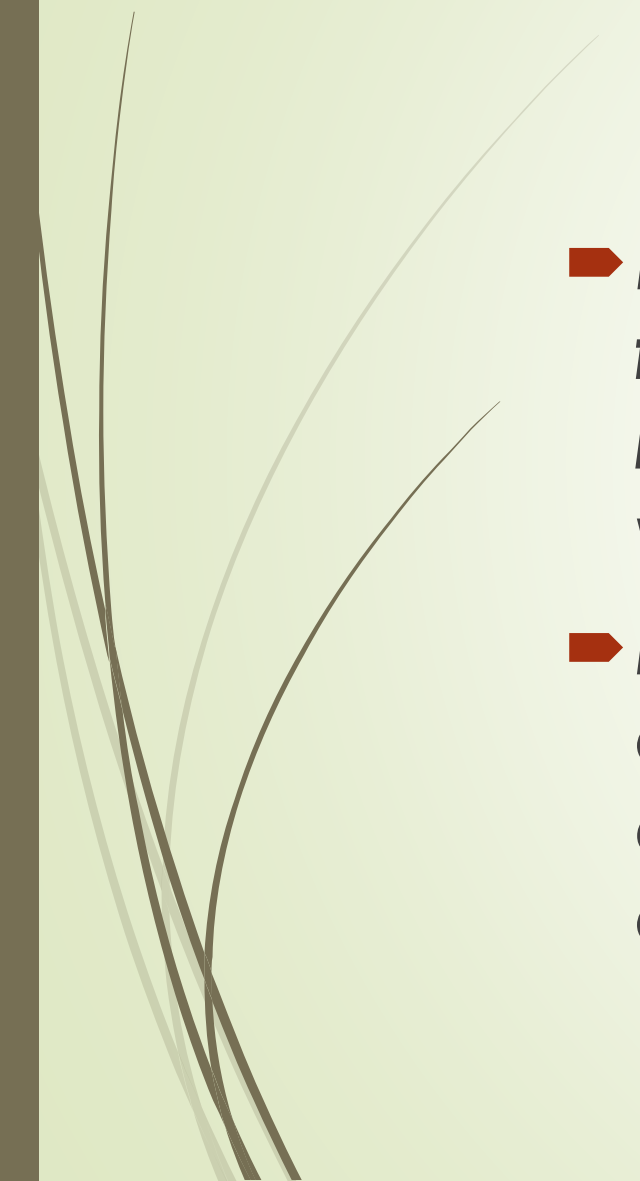
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Hareli

- *Hareli festival is one of the popular harvest festival of Chhattisgarh, celebrated by farmers in the month of Shravan (July-August) by worshipping farm equipments and cows.*
 - *Farmers pray to Goddess for good crop and also hang small neem branches at the main entrance of their homes to prevent seasonal disease.*
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Playing Gedi is also the part of hareli festival in which children mount on bamboo sticks and walk around the fields.

The Hareli festival is celebrated in joy of growing new crop in the field





Bastar Dussehra

- ***Bastar Dussehra is the unique culture trait of Chattisgarh, where haven't burnt the effigy of Ravan Just like celebrated all over India.***
- ***Bastar Dussehra is longest festival celebrated for 75 days by tribes of bastar. This festival starts around august and ending at 75 days to starting.***


Devi maa Danteshwari the presiding deity of Bastar, during Dussehra the inhabitants of Bastar organize special worship ceremonies at the Danteshwari temple. On this occasion chariot is made in which goddess sits.

During festival special dance perform by Maria tribes.

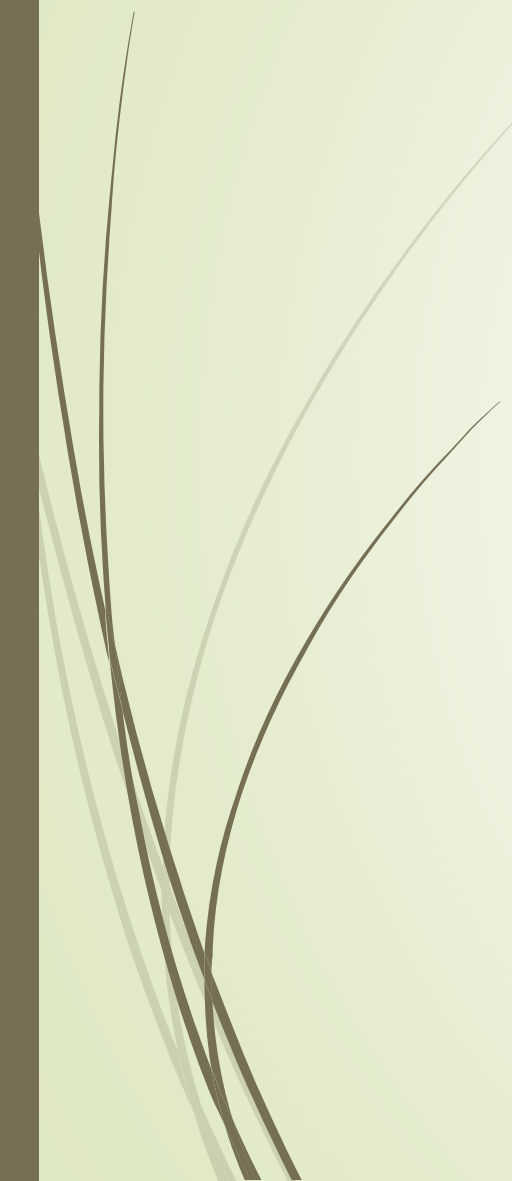


Decorated Chariot at Bastar Dassera






The origin of Bastar Dussehra from 15th century AD. When the kaktiya ruler king Purushottam Deo went to Jagannath Puri temple for worship and came back as Rath Pati with a divine permission to mount on chariot since then Dussehra is being celebrated by people of Bastar in this unique way.





Pola

- ➔ *Pola is the festival of Maharashtra and Chattisgarh state celebrated by the farmers. Pola festival celebrated in the month of September.*
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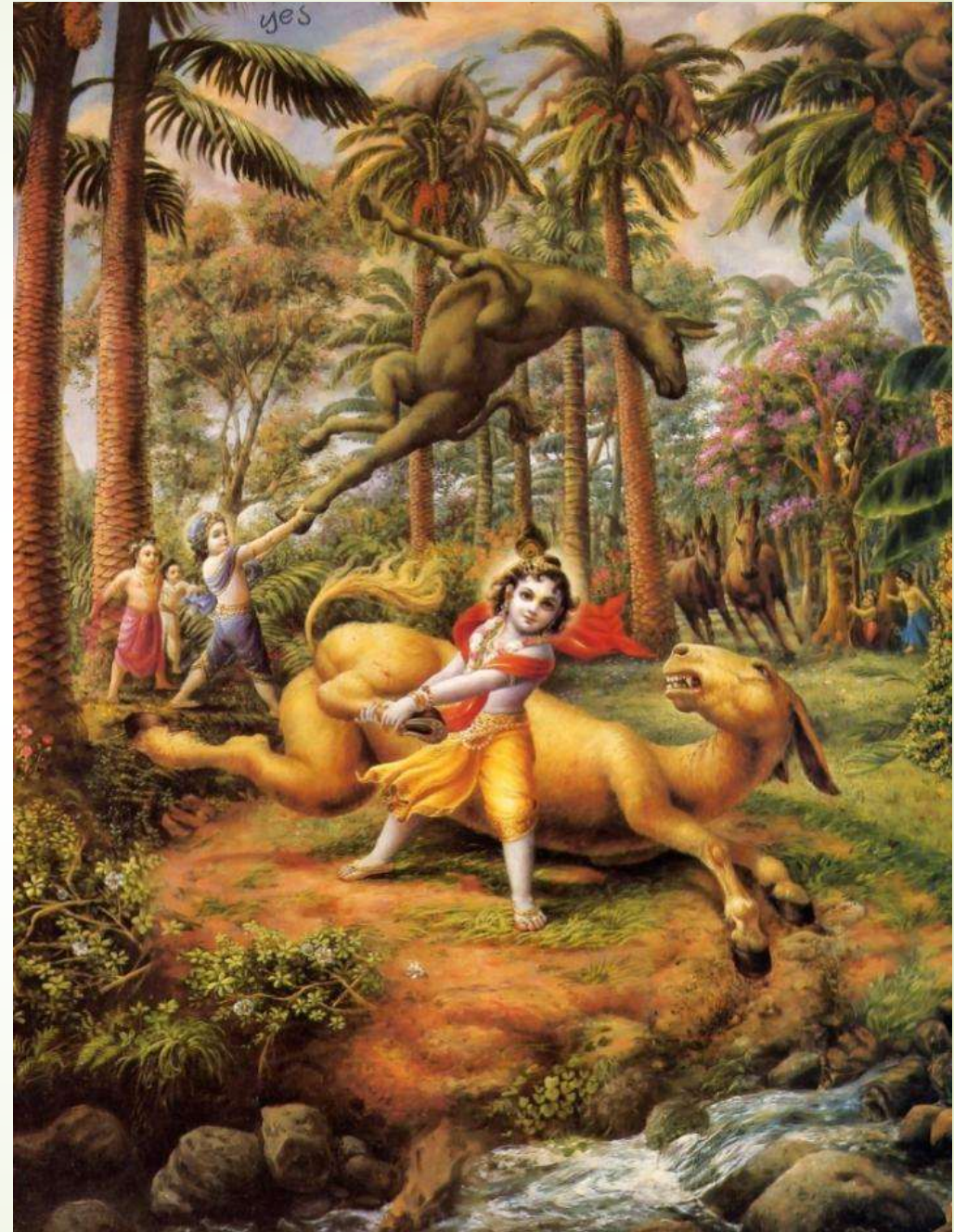
On this special day the farmers first of all give a good bathe to their bulls and then decorate them with beautiful ornaments then the bull are worshship by farmers and are also given special food to eat.



It is way in which farmers show their gratitude towards the bulls for their assistance in the agricultural work. from the following day of the festival the ploughing activities are started and seed are sown



It is called pola because demon polasur was killed by lord Krishna when he attacked krishna as a child .This is also why children are given special treatment on this day.



In home clay pot and clay bull worshiped by children and families and also made two important dish which is thethari and kurmi.





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