

Upper Subansiri Valley Itinerary

Day 1: Arrival in Daporijo (Upper Subansiri District)

- **Morning:** Arrive in **Daporijo**, the district headquarters of **Upper Subansiri**. You can reach Daporijo via road from **Itanagar** (approximately **7-8 hours** drive). Alternatively, you can fly to **Lilabari** (Assam) and travel by road to Daporijo (around **5-6 hours**).
- **Afternoon:** Check in at your accommodation in **Daporijo**. After freshening up, take a brief rest before heading out to explore the town.
- **Evening:** Visit the **Siri Bille** and **Taksing** villages, located on the banks of the **Subansiri River**. These villages are known for their vibrant culture and unique handicrafts, and the area offers excellent opportunities for photography with scenic river views.
 - You can interact with the locals, who belong to the **Adi** and **Tagin** tribes, and learn about their customs, traditions, and agricultural practices.
- **Night:** Overnight stay in **Daporijo**.

Day 2: Explore the Natural Beauty and Tribal Culture

- **Morning:** After breakfast, head out for a day trip to explore the beautiful landscapes and rich tribal culture of **Upper Subansiri Valley**.
 - Visit **Raga** and **Dumporijo**, two villages that offer insight into the life of the **Adi tribe**. You'll be able to see traditional **tribal houses**, meet local artisans, and learn about their agricultural practices, such as **terrace farming** and **animal husbandry**.
 - Take a walk along the **Subansiri River**, one of the largest rivers in the region, known for its crystal-clear waters and surrounding forests.
- **Afternoon:** Visit the **Pangin** village, famous for its stunning views of the **river valleys** and picturesque hills. If you're interested in adventure activities, you can explore opportunities for **rafting** or **trekking** along the river. The region is also a great spot for birdwatching, so don't forget to bring binoculars.
 - Stop for lunch in one of the local villages and enjoy traditional food such as rice, millet, and vegetable stews. The food is simple but flavorful, often made with locally sourced ingredients.
- **Evening:** Return to **Daporijo** and relax. In the evening, visit the **Daporijo Monastery** for a peaceful and spiritual experience. This Buddhist monastery provides a glimpse into the religious practices of the local **Buddhist** communities in the region.
- **Night:** Overnight stay in **Daporijo**.

Day 3: Day Trip to Mechuka (Exploring Remote Beauty)

- **Morning:** After an early breakfast, head out for a **day trip to Mechuka**, one of the most scenic places in the Upper Subansiri Valley. Mechuka is located about **150 km** from **Daporijo** and is known for its **snow-capped peaks**, **pristine rivers**, and **hidden valleys**.
 - The drive takes you through rugged terrains and dense forests, offering stunning views of the surrounding mountains and landscapes. Enjoy the scenic beauty as you pass through small tribal villages along the way.
- **Late Morning:** Arrive in **Mechuka**, which is located at an altitude of around **6,000 feet**. The valley is famous for its **Mechuka River**, **snow-covered peaks**, and **ancient monasteries**.

- Visit the **Samten Yongcha Monastery**, an ancient Buddhist monastery perched on a hilltop. The monastery offers spectacular views of the surrounding valley and mountains. Take some time to explore the monastery and enjoy the tranquil environment.
- **Afternoon:** After visiting the monastery, take a walk around **Mechuka Valley**. You can explore the lush fields, tranquil rivers, and **apple orchards** in the region. The valley is known for its peaceful atmosphere and offers excellent opportunities for nature walks and photography.
- **Evening:** Return to **Daporijo** in the evening, where you can unwind and relax after a long day of exploration.
- **Night:** Overnight stay in **Daporijo**.

