Ananthapuri package to cover prime tourist spots in capital

Thiruvananthapuram: District tourism promotion council (DTPC) is set to roll out a tour package connecting prime spots in the state capital, including the famed Sree Padmanabhaswamy Temple and Kovalam beach.

Styled as ‘Ananthapuri Package,’ the circuit will cover heritage structure ‘Ruthira Malika’, Museum and Zoo, Planetarium, Veli Tourist Village and Shanghumugham beach, all in and around the city. Tourists will be taken around the city in a 24-seater luxury bus with all facilities.

A scheme to arrange special vehicles through advance booking is also on the cards, details of which can be obtained by contacting 7594949402.

A conducted tour named ‘Triveni Sangamam’ to Kanyakumari, which covers outlying Ponmudi-Meenmutty forest trail and Neyyar Elephant Safari, has also been planned as an extended package.

DTPC also decided to continue with the coracle cruise launched at Veli Tourist Village as the response in the initial weeks has been encouraging.

A coracle that can be boarded by four adults and two children at a time is charged at Rs 250 for half-an-hour. DTPC also said the reception hall at Veli is also being rented out now. For a day, the rental will be Rs 15,000 plus tax. The rent covers furniture, steel plates and glass tumblers made available for hosting functions at the facility.