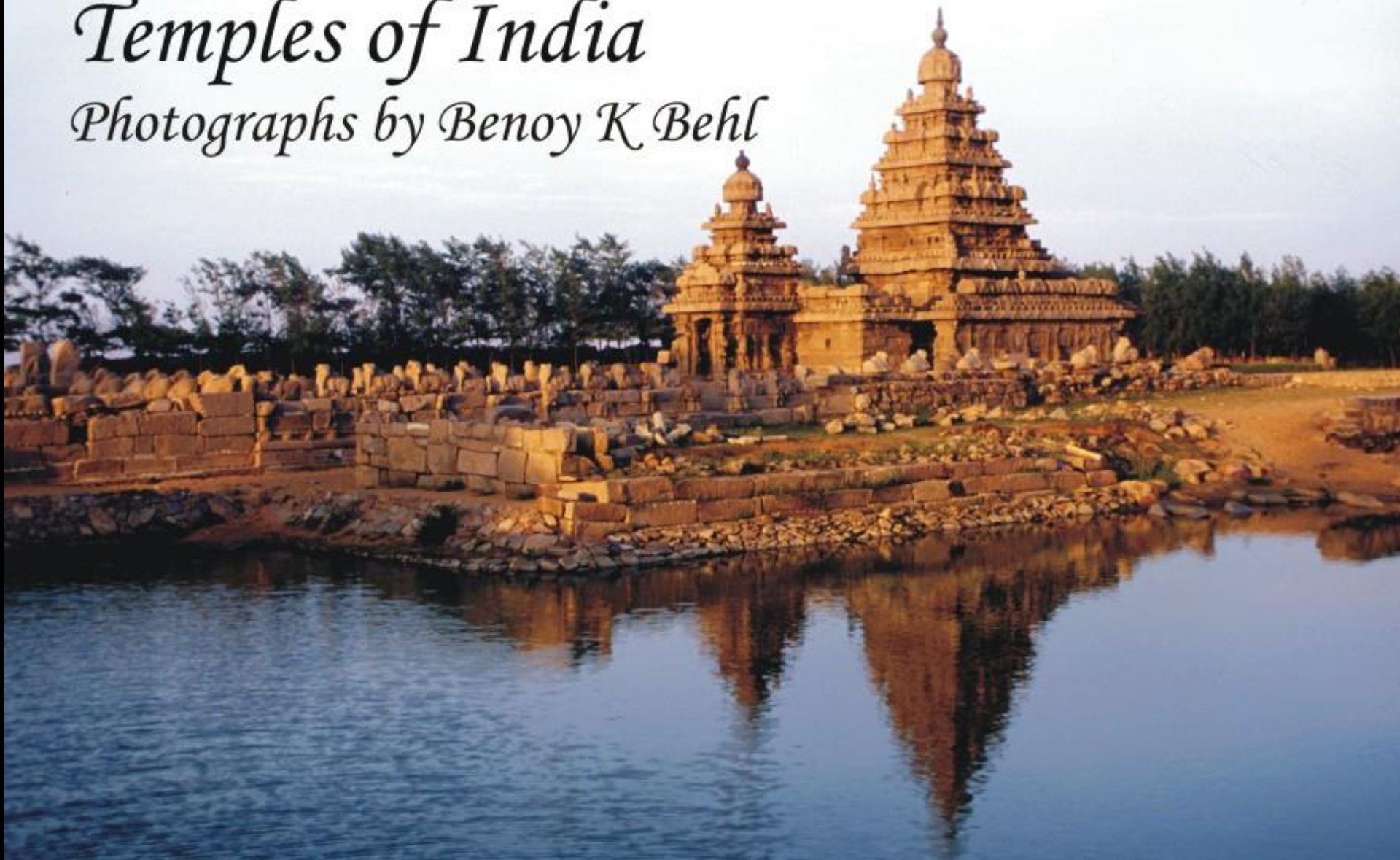


Temples of India

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**Mahabodhi Temple,
Bodhgaya, mid-5th cent.**



Parinirvana Temple, Kushinagara, Uttar Pradesh.



Gilded statue of the Parinirvana, Kushinagara Temple, Uttar Pradesh.



Henry K. Hall

Buddhist Temple, 5th cent., Sanchi, Madhya Pradesh World Heritage Site.



Apsidal Durga Temple, 8th century, Aihole, Karnataka.



Amey K. Bell

The Virupaksha Temple, 8th cent., Pattadakal, Karnataka. World Heritage Site.



Pancharatha, 7th cent., Mamallapuram, Tamil Nadu. World Heritage Site



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Shore Temple, 7th cent., Mamallapuram, Tamil Nadu. World Heritage Site.

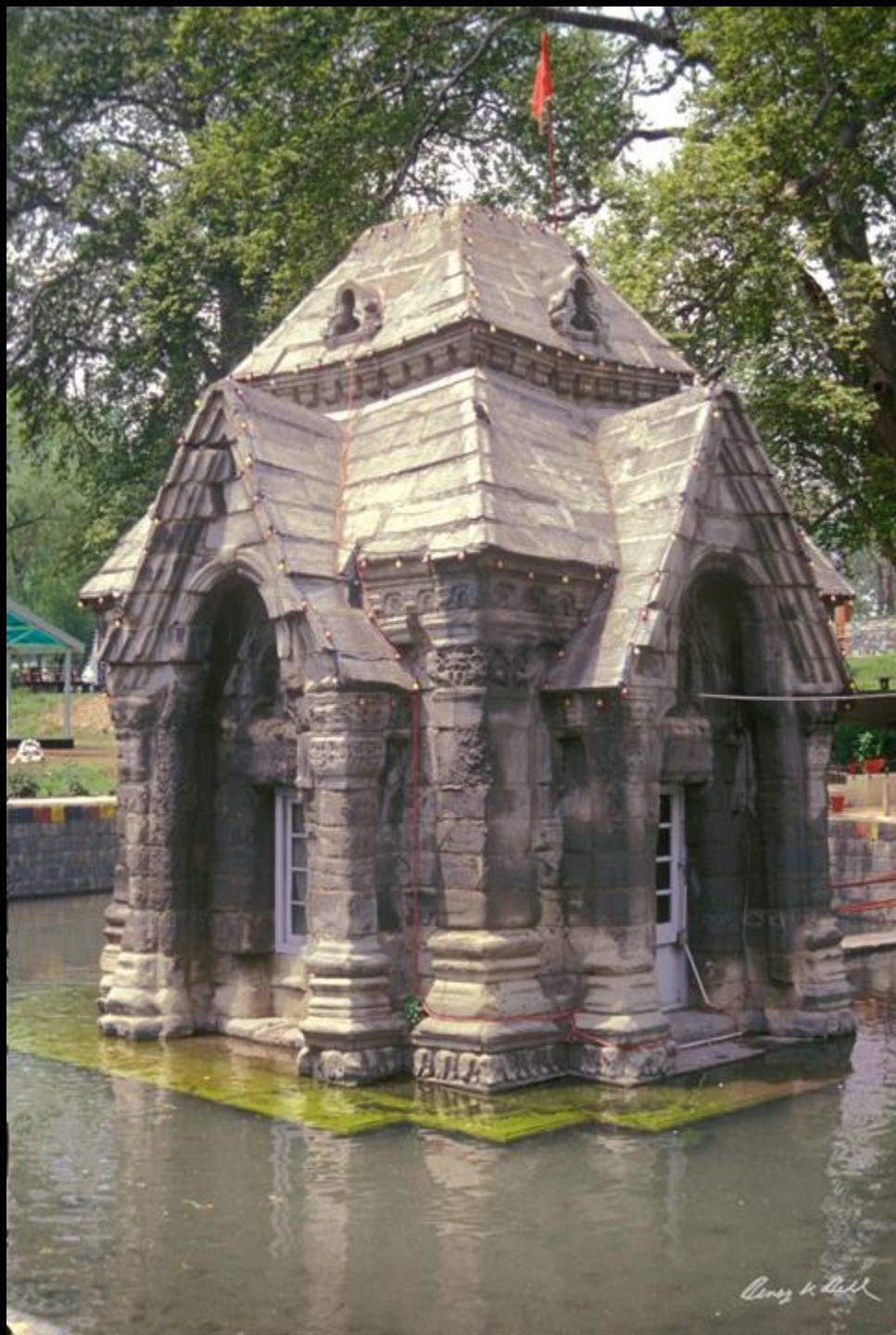


Kailashnatha Temple, 8th cent., Tamil Nadu.



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Martand Sun Temple, 8th cent., Kashmir.



**Shiva Temple, 8th cent.,
Pandarethan, Srinagar, Kashmir.**



Narayan Nag Temples, 7th – 12th cent., Wangath, Kashmir.



Aravind K. Reddy

Vattuvankovil, Kalugumalai, 8th cent., Tamil Nadu. The temple is cut out of a hill.



Rock-cut Temple, 8th cent., Masrur, Himachal Pradesh.



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Kailashanatha Temple, 8th cent., Ellora, Maharashtra.



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Somnath Temple, ancient temple reconstructed in 1951, Junagarh, Gujarat.



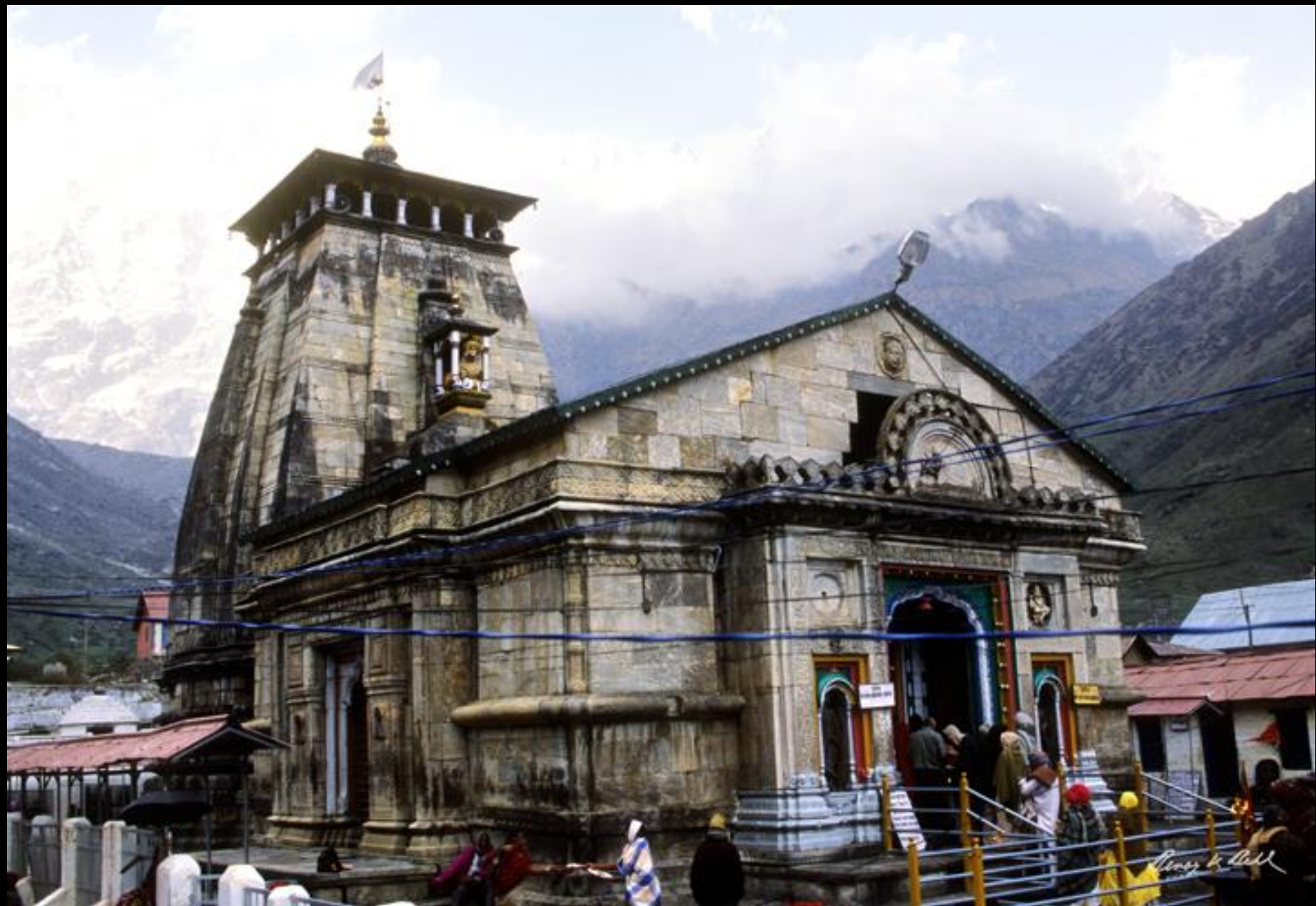
Shiva on Façade, Somnath Temple, ancient temple reconstructed in 1951, Junagarh, Gujarat.



**Chaurasi Temples, Bharmaur,
7th -10th cent., Himachal
Pradesh.**



**Gangotri Temple,
Uttarakhand.**



Kedarnath Shiva Temple, Uttarakhand.



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Vijayalaya Cholisvara, Nanthamalai, 9th cent., Tamil Nadu.



Airateshvara Temple, Darasuram, 12th cent., Tamil Nadu.



Mooverkoil, 10th cent., Kodambalur, Tamil Nadu.



**Shiva, high on the façade,
Mooverkoil, Kodambalur, Tamil
Nadu.**



Brhadisvara Temple, end-10th cent., Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu.



**Brhadisvara Temple,
Gangaikondacholapuram,
11th cent., Tamil Nadu.**



Jagannath Temple, Puri, Orissa, 12th cent., Orissa.



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Konark Sun Temple, 13th cent., Orissa.



Rajarani Temple, Bhubaneswar, 11th cent., Orissa.



Lingaraja Temple, Bhubaneswar, 12th cent., Orissa.



Kandariya Mahadeva Temple, 11th cent., Khajuraho, Madhya Pradesh.



Deepak K. Singh

Vishwanatha Temple, 11th cent., Khajuraho, Madhya Pradesh.



Lakshmana Temple, 10th cent., Khajuraho, Madhya Pradesh.



**Sumtsek, 11th -12th cent., Alchi,
Ladakh, Jammu & Kashmir.**



**Madanakaias, bracket figure,
Chennakeshava Temple, 12th cent.,
Belur, Karnataka.**



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Hoysalesvara Temple, 12th cent., Halebid, Karnataka.



**Virupaksha Temple, 14th cent., Hampi,
Karnataka.**



Ratha, Vitthala Temple, 15th cent., Hampi, Karnataka.



Vitthala Temple, 15th cent., Hampi, Karnataka.



Ramanathaswami Temple, Rameswaram, Tamil Nadu.



Temple Corridor (the longest in any temple) Ramanathaswami Temple, Rameswaram, Tamil Nadu.



Ranganathaswami Temple, Srirangam, Tamil Nadu.



George K. Kutt

Vadakkunnathan Temple, Thrissur, Kerala.



Rama and Sita, Mattancherry Murals, 17th cent., Kochi, Kerala.



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Mangeshi Temple, 18th cent., Goa.



Dwarka Tirumala temple, Andhra Pradesh.



Meenakshi Temple, Madurai, Tamil Nadu.



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Raja Mahipal's Temple or Sahastro-Baho Temple, 11th cent., Gwalior Fort, Madhya Pradesh.



Shiva Temple, Mitavali, Madhya Pradesh. This was the architectural inspiration for the Parliament House, New Delhi.



Om Namo Shivaya

Shivpuri Temple, Madhya Pradesh.



Shyamraya Temple, 17th cent., Bishnupur, West Bengal.



Sivadol Temple, 18th cent., Sivasagar, Assam.



Govind ji Temple, Imphal, Manipur.



Radha and Krishna, Govind ji Temple, Manipur.



Rumtek Buddhist Monastery, Sikkim.



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Pawapuri Jaina Temple, Bihar.



Jaina Temples, Shatrunjaya Hill, Gujarat.



George K. Bell

Harmandir Sahib, 16th cent., Amritsar, Punjab.



Arav K. Singh

Gurudwara Patna Sahib, 18th cent., Bihar.



Gurudwara Baoli Sahib, 16th cent., Govindwal, Punjab.