

Cultural Significance Of World Largest Stone Dome -A Golden Pagoda Mumbai - A Modern Architectural Miracle

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Abstract In multi-religious country like India dome architect is very popular amongst all the religions since ancient times. The best examples of religious dome architect in India are Sanchi Stupa, Golghumat, Taj Mahal and a architectural miracle Golden Pagoda. The Global Vipassana Pagoda is a notable monument in Mumbai, India. The pagoda is to serve as a monument of peace and harmony. The center of the Global Vipassana Pagoda contains the world's largest stone dome built without any supporting pillars. The height of the dome is approximately 29 meters, while the height of the building is 96.12 meters. Grand Pagoda is the largest span masonry dome at Mumbai The massive inner dome seats over 8000 people enabling them to practice the Vipassana meditation. A structure constructed out of gratitude to Buddha and his teachings, it is a modern day marvel.

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