

Aurangabad District, India



Life in Aurangabad

Known as the tourism hub of Maharashtra state, Aurangabad district is a beautiful and historic city nestled amongst lush plateaus, historic forts, monuments and ancient Hindu and Buddhist cave temples.

The main urban area in Aurangabad district is Aurangabad city, which has a population of 1.1 million. The rest of Aurangabad district is rural living so cross-cultural workers would want to use the city as their launching pad.

Aurangabad city is divided into an old and new section. While most of the Muslim neighborhoods are in the old sections of town, it would be difficult for non-Indian families or workers to live here for a variety of reasons.

The new section of town is home to a mall, an airport, some western style hotels, semi-decent parks and even a McDonalds (*the only real western food option in town*).

As for business in the city and district, the possibilities could range from something like an English center, manufacturing or tourism business or even something a sports academy.

Facts about Aurangabad District

POPULATION:

3,701,282

MUSLIM POPULATION:

786,677 (21%)

MAJOR LANGUAGE:

Urdu (802, 830)

SETTING:

Semi-Urban

WEATHER:

Hot and dry season from March-June and Monsoon season from July-September. Yearly temperatures stay around 70-80°F, though some days can reach 106-110°F.

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Opportunities for Outreach

While Aurangabad has had cross-cultural workers in the past who focused on Muslim families, currently there is only one family living and working in the city.

While this is a start, with over 786,000 Muslims in Aurangabad district and the surrounding areas, there is too much work for one family.

Moreover, while there are Christians in the city and district, there is very little if any intentional outreach to Muslim families that would result in multiplying, generational discipleship movements.

Workers wanting to do direct outreach to Muslims in Aurangabad, would want to focus on learning Hindi and Urdu. Those wanting to do Disciple-Making Movement trainings among Christians might also want to consider trying to learn some Marathi. as well.



Is God calling you to invite Muslims, with love and respect,
to follow Jesus?