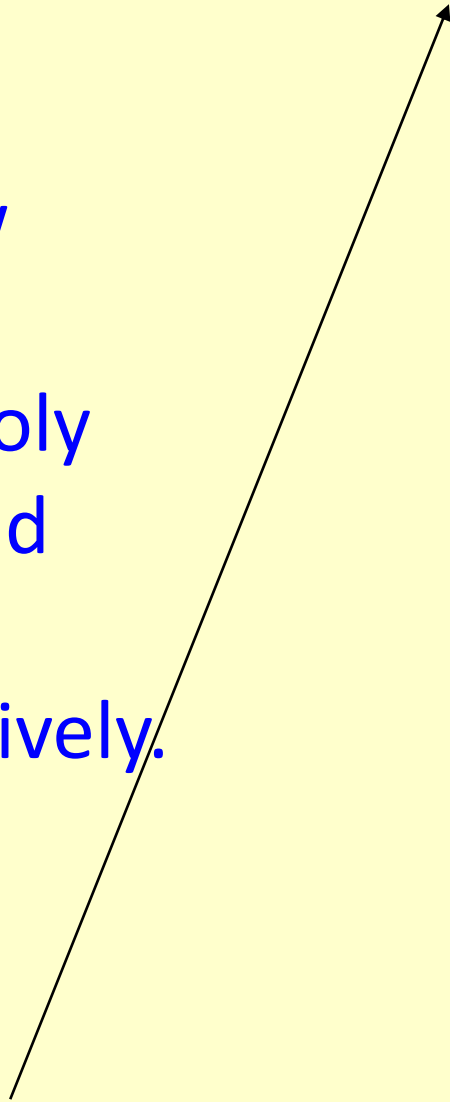


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Varanasi is a Hindu holy city on the banks of the River Ganges in northern India.

Hindu legend has it that the Goddess Ganga had the power to purify anything that touched her and she flowed from the heavens and purified the people of India. Hindu's belief that bathing in the river Ganges purifies them and their sins are forgiven.

Hindu's believe that to be in the Ganges, especially at the holy city of Varanasi at the time of your death, you are immediately freed from samsara (reincarnation), attain Moksha (freedom) and become one with Brahman (the most senior Hindu God).

Because of this, thousands of pilgrims visit Varanasi each year to touch the holy water.













