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- Hindu
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- Museum/Gallery/Historic Building
- Ruin
- Shinto
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- Course/Tour
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- Sleeping
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- Drinking & Nightlife
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- Entertainment

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- Shopping

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Population
- Capital (National)
- Capital (State/Province)
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- Town/Village

Transport
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- Freeway
- Primary
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- Lane
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- Swamp/Mangrove
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