



The Palanpur Museum

This Museum is about the city of Palanpur, its past and its present. Interpreted through photographs, artefacts, representations, and memories, it aims to evoke its spirit, and give voice to the communities that have created the city, sustained it, and transformed it with time.



Art Gallery and Film Room

Adjoining the museum is a lively art gallery and exhibition space with attractive display modules to showcase local talent, and hold workshops. State-of-the-art video projection facilities are available in the Film Room for regular screenings of films on local history, and educational subjects.

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Timings: 9 am to 12 noon & 2 pm to 7 pm
Monday closed



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The Spirit of Palanpur

Jawaharlal Nehru, first Prime Minister of independent India, once described India as a palimpsest, an old manuscript on which the histories of the past and present can be read on the same page. In many ways he could be referring to Palanpur. Our wonderful city lives in many ages at the same time.

In this room we represent a distillation of Palanpur with images, objects, and ideas that help define our city. We invite you to look, engage, and immerse yourself in its spirit, and experience the unique harmony between our rich past, and our ever changing, present.



The Story of Palanpur

In the grand sweep of histories about large kingdoms and empires, little histories of small towns and local rulers are often neglected, or forgotten. We know very little about the deep past of Palanpur. Local historians and history enthusiasts have worked hard to construct a history gleaned from ancient manuscripts, a few artefacts, popular stories, and myths. The picture slowly becomes clearer during the period of the Nawabs, and with Nawabs Sher Mohammed Khan, and Taley Mohammed Khan we even have official documents, artefacts, personal accounts, and photographs that take us to the point when Palanpur became part of the modern Indian nation.



Celebrating the People of Palanpur

A town is known by its people. Palanpur is particularly special. Ever since it was founded it has nurtured diverse communities. Though divided by race, religion, belief, and class, they have lived in harmony and created a unique Palanpuri identity. In this gallery we celebrate the people of Palanpur.

