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**Taj Mahal in Agra**

**Hindi transcript:**

दिल्ली में रहती हूँ मैं, और दिल्ली से चार घण्टा की दूरी पर आगरा है। मैं अगरा बहुत बार जा चुकी हूँ। मैंने ताज बहुत बार देखा है। It's very beautiful, बहुत अच्छा, बहुत खूबसूरत है। लेकिन एक बात मैं और बताना चाहती हूँ अपना दोस्तों को कि अगरा और... जाते-वक़्त... ताज जब आप देखने जाएँ तो रास्ते में फ़तेहपुर सीकरी और सिकन्दरा पड़ता है। Fatehpur Sikri is another very important tourist spot, और... और सिकन्दरा जो है वह अकबर का monument है। emperor... Mughal emperor Akbar का। तो ये दोनों चीज़ें भी आप जरूर देखें। अगर आप जाएँ तो जरूर देखें, because बहुत ही खूबसूरत और बहुत ही well-maintained monuments दोनों हैं। और ताज भी बहुत beautiful है। लेकिन मैं अपना opinion है कि लोगों को इन छोटी-छोटी चीज़ों पर भी ध्यान देना चाहिए which are very beautiful।

**English translation:**

I live in Delhi, and at a distance of four hours from Delhi is Agra. I have been to Agra several times. I have seen the Taj [Mahal] many times. It's very beautiful, (speaker repeats in Hindi). But another thing I would like to mention to my friends is that Agra ... while going to Agra ... when you go to see the Taj, Sikandra and Fatehpur Sikri fall en route. Fatehpur Sikri is another very important tourist spot, a ... and Sikandra is Akbar's monument ... emperor ... [the mausoleum of] the Mughal emperor Akbar. So do visit these places as well. If you go, do see [these places] because they are very beautiful and both are very well-maintained monuments. And the Taj is also beautiful, but it is my opinion that people should also notice these other small places which are very beautiful.

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