

A divine journey through the land of 'The goddess of light, Jwalamukhi '

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The Jwalamukhi temple, is an important Shakti Peeth. This is where Sati's tongue is said to have fallen. Legend says that it was spotted by a young shepherd, when it burst into flames. Hence the name Jwala, which means flames. When the reigning Raja came to know, he had a temple built. This is the best-known temple dedicated to Jwala Devi, in India.

Jwala Ji Temple is considered to be as ancient as the Vaishno Devi Temple in Jammu. It gets mentioned in many ancient scriptures. The temple is located on a hillside. Inside, an eternal flame burns from a copper pipe, which is believed to represent the nine form of Goddess Durga. Many have tried to squelch the flame but have been unsuccessful

Emperor Akbar had donated a gold umbrella as a canopy over the flame. Punjab's Maharaja Ranjit Singh, who always sought the devi's blessing before going into battle, had the golden dome installed in 1815 and the silver door in 1837. The temple hosts an annual fair during the months of July-August.