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## Visit to the abode of the clouds

**T**he severity of the current situations had me reminiscing about my memorable trip to the capital of Meghalaya, also known as the 'Scotland of the East'. Traveling amidst the lush trees with varied shades of green, had me closing my eyes in bliss and serenity. The first step in our journey to explore this humble city with equally sweet people was Lake Umiam. The entrancing water spread as far as my eyes could see. It was a pleasant sight to behold.

The next section of our two-day trip included the visit to the highest peak of Shillong. Though the journey was long, it was worth every spent second of my precious time. The cool breeze caressed my face as it blew peacefully, carrying away with it, the nerves and tension in my body. Everything within my line of sight included the vegetation, the mighty mountains, along the adorable short roots of houses. It seemed as if the whole world had disappeared and there was nothing obstructing me from being in the embrace of Mother Nature. It appeared as if I had stepped inside the realm of mystic beauty which only existed in fiction.

I kept the best for the last day. Cutting my way through the mighty mountains, layered with emerald trees, with specs of birds and insects peppered on them, we reached the living root bridge. It was really surreal to walk on the alive roots of trees to reach the other side of the river.

Visiting anew this majestic and heavenly place on the earth would be a great privilege, and it should be a must-visit spot on everyone's bucket list.

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