On the sidelines of the 6th Assembly, the International Solar Alliance has planned a visit to the Akshardham temple complex on 2nd November 2023 for the visiting delegates. The Akshardham temple in New Delhi opened to public in 2005, and showcases a blend of ancient Indian architectural styles with modern technology. It is constructed entirely from Rajasthani pink sandstone and Italian Carrara marble, with no steel, iron or cement used in the construction. The temple has 234 intricately carved pillars, 9 ornate domes, 20 quadrangled spires and 20,000 statues, each sharing a story of devotion and culture.

The cultural resonances are matched with sustainable practices. The temple complex uses environmental friendly technologies, including the use of solar power. It houses captive rooftop solar power plant of 1MW capacity which provides green power to meet the daily requirement of the complex. The solar panels are strategically placed on rooftops and open areas to maximise exposure. In addition, the temple complex incorporates various energy-efficient technologies and practices, such as LED lighting and energy-saving appliances, to further reduce its overall energy consumption.

If you would like to participate, please write to Rajesh Jain (rajeshjain@isolaralliance.org) or Sudhanshu Mishra (sudhanshumishra@isolaralliance.org)

**Time: 11:00 am - 2:00 pm**
Visit of the temple (40 mins) | Robotics and light and sound show (10 mins)
Boat ride (20 mins) | Visit to solar plant (20 mins)