PRINTABLE TRIP ITINERARY

Thailand: Bangkok & Pattaya in 6 Days

Booked IndiGo flights, kitchenette stays, food from Chennai and a public-transport route for two.

Booked plan	6 days	₹47,858 for 2	6 days
TRIP	BUDGET	DURATION	GUIDE

What this guide includes

Actual or planned costs, a readable day-by-day itinerary, practical food and accommodation notes, and public transport station pairs where available.

Important: Historical costs are budgeting references. Verify current prices, route numbers, opening times and entry rules before travel.

Budget and transport

Expense	Status	INR	USD	THB
IndiGo return flights for two	Booked	₹30,358	$361.40	12,143
Golden Sea Pattaya · 2 nights	Booked	₹4,200	$50.00	1,680
The Residence Ratchathewi · 3 nights	Booked	₹6,800	$80.95	2,720
Public transport for two	Estimate	₹2,500	$29.76	1,000
Carried food and fresh groceries	Estimate	₹3,000	$35.71	1,200
eSIM and contingency	Estimate	₹1,000	$11.90	400
Total for two	Mixed	₹47,858	$569.74	19,143
Journey	Service or station	Planning note		
Suvarnabhumi → Pattaya	Roong Reuang / route 389 · Gate 8	Current operator listing: 135 THB pp; recheck December schedule		
Pattaya local	Dark-blue songthaew	No route number; confirm shared-route fare		
Pattaya → Bangkok	North Pattaya coach → Ekkamai	Buy at official counter; fare remains estimated		
Ekkamai → Ratchathewi	BTS E7 → CEN/N1	Sukhumvit Line		
River	Sathorn Pier via BTS S6	Use public flag service, not tourist cruise		
Old city	MRT Sanam Chai BL31	Walk onward to historic sights		
Airport return	ARL A8 → A1	Phaya Thai to Suvarnabhumi; up to 45 THB pp		

Public transport note

No verified station-to-station route card is available for this itinerary. Check the local operator before travel.

Day-by-day itinerary and practical notes

From 15–20 December 2026, we are travelling from Chennai to Pattaya and Bangkok using booked IndiGo flights, kitchenette accommodation, food carried from home and public transport wherever practical.

Confirmed bookings are separated from estimates and planning allowances. We will replace remaining estimates with actual spending after the trip.

Local transport, groceries, eSIM and exchange-rate conversions remain planning estimates and will be replaced with actual spending after the trip.

Quick trip summary

Route: Chennai → Bangkok Suvarnabhumi → Pattaya → Bangkok → Chennai

Flights: IndiGo return booking for two, early-morning departure

Pattaya stay: Golden Sea Pattaya, two nights

Bangkok stay: The Residence Ratchathewi, three nights

Budget method: kitchen access, sealed food from Chennai, buses, BTS, MRT, Airport Rail Link and public river boat

Booked and estimated cost in three currencies

The conversion column uses the planning rates supplied for this budget: ₹2.50 per THB and ₹84 per USD. Card exchange rates and December fares will vary.

Per traveller: approximately ₹23,929 / $284.87 / 9,572 THB.

Food we can carry from Chennai

Keep everything commercially sealed, labelled and in modest personal-use quantities. Thailand’s FDA currently limits all personal-use food together to 10 kg or litres, with lower category limits for some items.

• MTR or similar vegetarian poha, upma and pongal cups

• Sealed ready-to-eat dal, chana masala and vegetable curry pouches

• Instant noodles or pasta with clearly labelled vegetarian seasoning

• Khakhra, murukku, roasted chana, makhana, biscuits and mixed nuts

• Quick oats, tea bags, dry coffee mix and sugar sachets

• Small sealed spice packets rather than loose homemade powders

Buy water, bread, milk, curd, tofu, fruit and vegetables locally. Avoid fresh produce and unlabelled homemade food unless current Thai import rules clearly permit it; declare food when required.

Six-day Pattaya and Bangkok itinerary

Day 1 · Chennai to Pattaya

Take the booked early-morning IndiGo flight to Bangkok Suvarnabhumi. After immigration, go to Level 1, Gate 8 for the Roong Reuang airport coach. The operator currently lists the airport–Pattaya service at 135 THB per seat, around two hours; verify the December timetable before departure. This service is

commonly identified as route 389. Check into Golden Sea Pattaya, prepare a simple meal and walk along Central Pattaya Beach for sea views. Use the dark-blue Beach Road/Second Road songthaew loop and confirm the fare before boarding.

Day 2 · Pattaya viewpoints and coast

Use a songthaew toward South Pattaya, then walk to Pratumnak Hill and the Pattaya City Sign viewpoint. Continue to the coast around Phra Tamnak before returning to Central Pattaya. Songthaews do not operate like numbered city buses, so show the destination and confirm whether the vehicle is following the shared route or being treated as a private hire.

Day 3 · Pattaya to Bangkok

Travel to North Pattaya Bus Terminal and take the public coach to Ekkamai Eastern Bus Terminal. Verify the live departure and fare at the operator counter. From Ekkamai BTS (E7), take the Sukhumvit Line toward Khu Khot, change or exit around Siam/Ratchathewi as needed, and walk to The Residence Ratchathewi. For an inexpensive evening river view, take BTS to Saphan Taksin (S6), walk to Sathorn Pier and use a public Chao Phraya boat rather than a tourist cruise.

Day 4 · Historic Bangkok

Use BTS/MRT connections to Sanam Chai MRT (BL31) for the old-city area, then walk around Pak Khlong Talat, Sanam Luang and the Grand Palace exterior. Paid temple entry is optional and not included in the strict budget. Bus S1 links Suvarnabhumi Airport and Sanam Luang and is a useful airport/old-city alternative, but it is not required for this route.

Day 5 · Bangkok views and markets

Take BTS to Siam (CEN) for the connected shopping walkways, then walk or use a short local bus toward Pratunam. Continue to Lumpini Park by BTS/MRT for a free evening skyline view. Use the official BTS/MRT journey planners or the ViaBus app on the day because Bangkok bus routes and stop patterns can change.

Day 6 · Bangkok to Chennai

Check out after breakfast. Reach Phaya Thai Airport Rail Link (A8) and take the City Line to Suvarnabhumi (A1). The official government guide lists a journey under 30 minutes and fares up to 45 THB. Arrive at least three hours before the booked IndiGo return flight.

Transport reference

eSIM and forex choices

eSIM: compare the regional Airalo Asia plan below with a Thailand-only package after checking data allowance, hotspot support and validity. Install it before leaving Chennai but activate it only according to the provider’s instructions.

Forex: compare Niyo Global, ixigo AU and an existing bank forex card for markup, ATM fees and eligibility. Thailand ATMs commonly apply a local operator fee, so carry some THB and avoid repeated small withdrawals. Always choose THB—not INR—if a terminal offers dynamic currency conversion.

Compare an Asia regional eSIM

Check whether the regional plan is cheaper than a Thailand-only plan for your usage.

Important checks before departure

• Use the exact timings and baggage allowance shown on the booked IndiGo tickets; do not rely on a draft flight number.

• Ask both hotels to reconfirm the exact kitchenette equipment available in the booked room category.

• Recheck coach, BTS, MRT, boat and Airport Rail Link fares shortly before 15 December.

• Review Thailand’s current entry, visa, customs and food rules for your passports.

Compare a Bangkok airport pickup

Public transport remains the lowest-cost choice. A pre-booked private transfer may be useful for a family, late arrival or heavy luggage.

Before you travel

Reconfirm every fare, stop, timetable, visa or entry requirement, baggage rule and food-import restriction with the responsible provider.