Where to Stay:
- Tourist Rest House, Malini Tourist Complex
  Ph: 225630
- Tourist Rest House Kamav Ashram
- Hotel Ambey
- Bharat Bhoomi
  Ph: 222607
- Shakti Rest House
  Ph: 222629
- Hotel Raj
  Ph: 222605
- Hotel Dev Vani
  Ph: 224411

Bharat Nagar: 22 km from Kedhar and at a height of 1,400 m, Bharat Nagar abounds in immense natural beauty. It is mentioned in the ancient Hindu texts that once this place was full of life giving herbs. One can have a beautiful view of the Bholewali bridge of Gangaji, Kalagarh dam and Kedhar town.

Kavbashram: Situated on the bank of river Malli at a distance of 14 km from Kedhar. It is believed that Sage Vishwamitra meditated here. Indra, the king of gods, was scared by his intense meditation, and sent a beautiful heavenly damsel named Manika to disturb him. Manika finally succeeded in drawing Vishwamitra's attention. After giving birth to a girl she went back to heaven. This girl later become Shakti Mata who got married to Dushyanta and gave birth to Bharat, the prince after whom our country is called BHARAT. Accommodation is available at Tourist Complex, Kavbashram.

Durga Devi Temple: The temple is situated at a distance of 24 km from the town is revered by the locals. It is situated on the banks of Koshi river. The temple itself is inside a cave. Deep inside is a Shiva Linga, thronged by hundreds on Shivaratri. Simply an out of the world experience!

Treking Routes: A large number of interesting scenic trekking routes exist in and around Lansdowne. They are as follows:
- Tarakeshwar Mahadev Temple: It is an ancient Shiva Temple which is a beautiful picnic spot surrounded by thick Cedar trees. It is located 38 km away at height of 1890 m. to the North East of Lansdowne on road Lansdowne-Derikhali.
- Bhalav Garhi: A conical shaped hill approximately 1830 m. High is situated near Gumbhali and it overlooks Eastern Nagri river. This is a historical feature where a pitched battle was fought between British and Gurkha troops in the year 1814.
- Rathi Point Trek: Planning a trek in the early hours of the day to Rathi Point gives one opportunity of having a look of beautiful sun rise. It is a beautiful site to watch the sun peeping from behind the Himalayan mountain ranges. In this trek one can encounter herds of Monkeys and Aepes (Langur). The trek is covered by splendid wild flowers and rhododendron trees.
- Derikhali Trek: This provides an excellent view of the valley which lies east of Jakhansial village. The trek passes along the picturesque village of Derikhali with terraced fields, pay with life which presents a glance of Gurkha culture. Entire distance on this trek is approximately 8.6 km.
- Hawagahr Trek: Trek to Hawagahr passes through Khyber pass along the road to Jakhansial. The walk is very refreshing with the view of snow covered peaks of Himalayas in the north East.
The beautiful town of Lansdowne is situated at an elevation of 780 m above sea level. It is south of Pauri enroute to Kotdwar and is surrounded by thick oak and blue pine forests offering great mountain views. It is a charming place for a quiet holiday as it is devoid of the usual hustle and bustle of other hill stations in Uttarakhand.

Lansdowne was originally a popular hill station with the Britishers. Attracted by its salubrious climate and natural beauty, they established a cantonment here. It was founded by the then Viceroy Lord Lansdowne in 1887 AD, thus the place has been named after him. The famous Garhwal Rifles of the Indian Army has its command office here.

**What to See**

Lansdowne is a cantonment town, which is still the recruiting centre for the Garhwal Rifles.

**The Garhwal Rifles Regimental War Memorial:** The War Memorial at Lansdowne was unveiled on a suitable vantage point on the Armitee Day (11 November 1923) by his excellency Lord Rawlinson of Trent, the then Commander in Chief of India. Located at the Parade Ground is a major attraction which attracts tourists from all over India and the world. The forests here are lovely and dark, just ideal for those long walks and picnics.

You can enjoy amazing views of the Western Himalayas from a number of vantage points like Snow View and Tip-in-Top.

**Regimental Museum:** A motivational hall was inaugurated at Lansdowne in 1980 to display the rare collections of Garhwal Rifles over the period of 119 years.

The Regimental Temple: To suitably honour and match the deep religious feelings of wondrous Garhwal troops and also as tribute to the wonderful Dev-Bhoomi, the work to renovate and beautify the old Regimental Temple was undertaken on 01 April 1992. Kaleshwara Mandir: It is the oldest temple building of Lansdowne and is believed to be 500 years old. When the Garhwal Rifles reached Lansdowne on 04 November 1887, the site had only the idol of Lord Shiva. This temple now houses lots of civilian devotees and is deeply worshipped by locals and villagers who flock it frequently specially on Shivratri.

**St. Mary’s Church:** Construction of St. Mary’s Church began in 1890 by Colonel then Lieutenant A. H. B. Hume of Royal Engineers and was completed in 1898. St. Mary’s Church fell into disuse after 1947 and gradually began deteriorate. The building has now been restored by Garhwal Rifles Regimental centre with additional facilities of relevant pre-independence photographs and audio visual display of Regimental history.

**St. John’s Church:** On the Mall, the Roman Catholic Church (now St. John’s Church), situated just above the road on the spur below the forest bungalow was completed in 1934. It reopened on November 29th 1980. From then, St. John’s Church became the only Church of worship in Lansdowne and continues till date.

**Bhulla Tal:** Name: Bhulla means younger brother in Garhwal language and is dedicated to the young Garhwal youth of the Garhwal Rifles who contributed their services day and night in its construction without any Government funds. The boating facilities are also available and the area around the lake formed by ten dams have been beautified. A children park, bamboo patch, a house and fountains have been erected as part of entertainment and beautification of pristine surroundings.

**Tip-in-Top:** A popular vantage point amongst the tourists visiting Lansdowne. It is on the ridge close to St. Mary’s Church. One can plan a trek on a bright sunny day to feel the glorious view of the Himalayas, which is unforgettable enchanting.

**How to Reach**

**Air:** The Nearest Airport is Jolly Granta (146 km).

**Rail:** The nearest railroad for Lansdowne is Kotdwar (45 km).

**Road:** Lansdowne is also linked by a motorable road to almost all the important cities in Uttarakhand.

The place is 240 km away from Delhi, 150 km from Dehradun and 90 km from Haridwar.

**Where to Stay (STD code 01386)**

- GMVN (Heritage House): Ph: 262509
- GMVN Tourist Rest House: Ph: 262509
- PWD Inspection Bungalow: Ph: 262509
- Army Welfare Board Rest House: Ph: 262509
- Uttarakhand Forest Department Base Camp: Ph: 262509
- Fairy Dale Hotel: Ph: 262509
- Hotel Matru: Ph: 262311
- Blue Pine: Ph: 262311
- Ananda Resort, Tip-in-Top (View Point): Ph: 262330
- Hotel Tourist: Ph: 262330

**Beyond Lansdowne**

Kotdwar: Kotdwar is a biggest business township, situated at the border of Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh, on the both hills of lush green Shivalik Range of Himalayas, locked by hills from three sides. The name Kotdwar indicates the gateway (down) to the Abode of God (Dev Bhoomi). It is situated on the banks of three seasonal rivers namely Adi, Mandi and Sukh. This area was the place of meditation for many sages and rishis. Ashram of Kanauj Rishi is situated at the banks of Kanauj river and is about 15 km from the main town. Other famous temples are Siddhashi Mandir & Durga Devi. People from all over India come to pay visit to these temple, especially Siddhashi Mandir.

Kotdwar is also known for its distinguished Public Sector Unit, Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL). Kotdwar can be accessed from Delhi by train (distance about 240 km) or by road (distance about 210 km). Train such as Mussoorie Express and Garhwal Express are available from Old Delhi Railway Station. A computerised railway reservation counter is available here. Bus services from Uttarkashi Roadways and UP Roadways can be used from Kashmiroti Gate (ISBT), though for some time the UP roadways is running its operations from Kaushambhi, near Anand Vihar ISBT.