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Can't fly, they take heritage walk

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New Delhi: A situation is good or bad depending on what one makes of it. Stranded in Delhi like several other tourists due to the volcanic ash cover over Europe, Guy Brickley decided not to waste his time and since last Saturday, when he was supposed to have returned to England, has been exploring the by-lanes and the not so well known monuments of Delhi. Realizing that there would be more like him, he has planned a walk on Friday to Qutab Minar and the Mehrauli Archaeological Park for all those in a similar situation and anyone else would like to join the group.

"I know there are several people who are stuck here and we would like all of them to join us on this walk and share their experiences



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of getting stuck abroad. We will be gathering at the Qutab Minar parking lot at 6am and will stop for breakfast enroute. It should be a

morning of discovering Delhi, exchanging stories and basically having fun," said Brickley.

Brickley, along with his

friend Surekha Narain, has already visited Chandni Chowk's old havelis, Lodhi Garden and Qutab Minar along other places.

Brickley, a post graduate student, had arrived in India on April 2 and had proceeded to a village near Dehradun for some research work. He was joined there by his mother and they returned to Delhi last Friday to catch an early morning flight back to London. "We had heard of the ash cover but did not have an idea that air traffic would be affected. Initially we were told that the flight was delayed but by morning, they had cancelled it. Now that flights have started, I tried getting us tickets back home but the earliest that British Airways is offering us seats is May 5. However, we are trying for other airlines as well," he said.