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SECTION I : IDENTIFICATION

1. Name

Present : Shyamsundar Temple, Balasore Town,
Dist. - Balasore

Past : ---

Other Name (if any): : ---

2. Location

LONGITUDE 86°56'48" E

LATITUDE 21°29'33" N

ELEVATION 20ft

Address : **Village (village code)** Damodarpur, Balasore
Municipality, Ward No. 11
Post : Motiganjh **Via**: Barabati
Tehsil: Balasore **District**: Balasore
State : Orissa **PIN**: 756003

Approach : It is located on the right side of the road leading from
Lalabazar to Balighat and about half km north of
Lalabazar.

3. Property Type

Buildings

- Palace
- Fort
- Citadel
- Government building
- Railway station
- Defence building
- Industrial building
- Other public buildings
- Residential building

Religious structures

- Temple
- Mosque
- Minar
- Church
- Monastery
- Stupa
- Tomb, Mausoleum

Other Structures

- Wall
- Gateway
- Pillar
- Others (specify):

Engineering structure

- Bridge
- Tunnel
- Other engineering structure

Open space and related structures

- Public square
- Park or garden
- Graveyard
- Baolis, Well
- Tank
- Cave

Note:

It is a double storied *char-chal* temple of *Gaudiya* architecture. The temple complex comprise the main shrine, *antarala* and pillared *mandapa*. Another octagonal *mandapa* known as *rasa mandapa* is found to the west of the main temple. It is one of the leading Vaisnavite shrines of the town and greatly attended by religious devotees.

4. Property Use

ABANDONED / IN USE : In use

Present : It is a living temple and the presiding deity is Krishna (locally called Shyamsundar) with his consort Radha.
Past : Worshipped.

5. Age (Source)

PERIOD : British rule
YEARS : 18th century A.D.
Precise date of Construction : ---
Completion : ---
Subsequent changes : ---
Destruction / Demolition : ---

6. Ownership / Level of Protection

SINGLE / MULTIPLE : Multiple

Public : Archaeological Survey of India / State Archaeology Department / Any Other (Please specify) : Endowment Department, Government of Orissa and protected monument of Orissa State Archaeology
Private :
Any other (Please specify) : Shyamsundar Temple Committee
Name : ---
Address : At- Damodarpur, PO-Motiganj, Dist – Balasore, PIN - 756003
Phone : ---

7. Association

• **WITH EVENTS**

In History : ---
In Rituals : *Rasa festival, Janmastami* etc. performed here.
In Building Construction : ---
Any other (specify) : ----

• **WITH PERSONS**

Patron : Shyamasundar Temple Committee
Architect / Engineer : ---
Any other (specify) : Endowment Department, Government Orissa.

8. Statement of Significance

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Historical	:		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Religious	:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Religious
<input type="checkbox"/>	Any other (specify)	:		On the basis of architectural style the temple can be dated to the 18 th century AD.

