



# INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL CENTRE FOR THE ARTS

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### SECTION I : IDENTIFICATION

#### 1. Name

**Present** : Sukutesvara Siva Temple, Bhubaneswar, Dist.-Khurda  
**Past** :  
**Other Name (if any):** : ---

#### 2. Location

**LONGITUDE** 85°50'17" E      **LATITUDE** 20°14'33" N      **ELEVATION** 60 ft.

**Address** : **Village (village code)** Old Town  
**Post:** Old Town      **Via:** Bhubaneswar  
**Tehsil:** Bhubaneswar      **District:** Khurda  
**State :** Orissa      **PIN:** 751031

**Approach** : The temple is behind the Lingaraja market complex, right side of the Ganga-Yamuna Road, branching from Gouri Shankara temple. It is on the south-west of Ganga-Yamuna Precinct and west of the Lakshesvara temple.

#### 3. Property Type

##### **Buildings**

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|--------------------------|------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Palace                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Fort                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Citadel                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Govt. building         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Railway station        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Defence building       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Industrial building    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Other public buildings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Residential building   |

##### **Religious structures**

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Temple          |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Mosque          |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Minar           |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Church          |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Monastery       |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Stupa           |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Tomb, Mausoleum |

##### **Other Structures**

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|--------------------------|------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Wall             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Gateway          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Pillar           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Others (specify) |

##### **Engineering structure**

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|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Bridge                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Tunnel                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Other engineering structure |

##### **Open space and related structures**

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|--------------------------|----------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Public square  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Park or garden |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Graveyard      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Baolis, Well   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Tank           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Cave           |

##### **Note:**

The temple has a *pidha vimana* and fronted by a shallow porch of impoverished *Kalingan* order.

#### 4. Property Use

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**ABANDONED / IN USE :** In Use

**Present** : It is a living temple and the presiding deity is a Sivalinga within circular *yonipitha*.  
**Past** : Worshipped

#### 5. Age (Source)

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**PERIOD** : Gajapati rule  
**YEARS** : 16th century A.D.  
**Precise date of Construction Completion** : First quarter of the 16<sup>th</sup> century A.D  
: ---  
**Subsequent changes** : Recently renovated  
**Destruction / Demolition** : ---

#### 6. Ownership / Level of Protection

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**SINGLE /MULTIPLE :** Multiple

**Public** : Archaeological Survey of India / State Archaeology Department / Any Other (Please specify)  
**Private** :  
**Any other (Please specify)** : The temple is looked after by the chief Priest  
**Name** : Damodar Mishra  
**Address** : Ganga Yamuna Lane, Old Town, Bhubaneswar  
**Phone** : ---

#### 7. Association

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• **WITH EVENTS**

**In History** : ---  
**In Rituals** : *Maha Sivaratri, Chandi Patha and Rudrabhisekha* are observed here.  
**In Building Construction** : ---  
**Any other (specify)** : Various sacraments like Thread ceremony, Engagements and Mundan kriya are performed here.

• **WITH PERSONS**

**Patron** : Originally the Gajapatis but now the temple is looked after by the chief priest Damodar Mishra  
**Architect / Engineer** : ---  
**Any other (specify)** : ---

#### 8. Statement of Significance

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Architectural	✓	Architectural
<input type="checkbox"/>	Archaeological	:	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Historical		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Religious	✓	Religious
<input type="checkbox"/>	Any other (specify)	:	On the basis of architectural features and <i>Navagraha</i> panel the temple can be dated to the 16 <sup>th</sup> century A.D.



