



# INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL CENTRE FOR THE ARTS

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## SECTION I : IDENTIFICATION

### 1. Name

**Present** : Cave above the Dhanaghara Gumpha, Udayagiri Hillock, Bhubaneswar, Dist.-Khurda

**Past** : ---

**Other Name (if any):** : ---

### 2. Location

**LONGITUDE** 85°45'20" E      **LATITUDE** 20°15'74" N      **ELEVATION** 247 ft.

**Address** : **Village** (village code) Udayagiri Hillock  
**Post** : Khandagiri      **Via:** Bhubaneswar  
**Tehsil:** Bhubaneswar      **District:** Khurda  
**State** : Orissa      **PIN:** 751030

**Approach** : It is located about 2 mtrs above the Dhanaghar in the Udayagiri hill.

### 3. Property Type

- Buildings**
- Palace
  - Fort
  - Citadel
  - Govt. 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 :**

Rock cut cave with a single chamber, mostly open in front, without any *verandah*, pillar or carving. This type of cave is known as *pavanari*.

#### 4. Property Use

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**ABANDONED / IN Abandoned  
USE :**

**Present** : Presently used as tourist destination.  
**Past** : Used

#### 5. Age (Source)

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**PERIOD** : Mahameghavahana Chedi dynasty  
**YEARS** : 1<sup>st</sup> century B.C.  
**Precise date of Construction** : 1<sup>st</sup> century B.C.  
**Completion** : ---  
**Subsequent changes** : ---  
**Destruction / Demolition** : In a dilapidated condition

#### 6. Ownership / Level of Protection

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**SINGLE /MULTIPLE** Single  
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**Public** : Archaeological Survey of India / State Archaeology Department / Any Other (Please specify) : Protected Monument of Archaeological Survey of India  
**Private** : ---  
**Any other (Please specify)** : ---  
**Name** : Archaeological Survey of India  
**Address** : Bhubaneswar Circle, 153, VIP Area, Nayapalli, Bhubaneswar, Pin - 751015  
**Phone** : 0674-2558170

#### 7. Association

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##### WITH EVENTS

**In History** : ---  
**In Rituals** : ---  
**In Building Construction** : ---  
**Any other (specify)** : ---

##### WITH PERSONS

**Patron** : Originally Kharavela, the Emperor of Kalinga, now Archeological Survey of India.  
**Architect / Engineer** : ---  
**Any other (specify)** :

#### 8. Statement of Significance

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Architectural	✓	Architectural
<input type="checkbox"/>	Archaeological	✓	Archaeological
<input type="checkbox"/>	Historical	✓	Historical

Religious  
 Any other (specify)

Religious  
: Rock cut cave dated to the 1<sup>st</sup> century B.C as evident from the Hatigumpha inscription.

## **SECTION II: DESCRIPTION**

### **9. Physical Description and Decorative Features**

**Context** \* Drawings (Attach extra sheet if necessary): No  
**Urban / Rural Setting** : Urban setting  
**Surroundings**

**Stand in Isolation** Complex  
**Integral part of a Landscape / Street / Complex :**

#### **Quantification**

**Area Dimension ( L x W x H )** : 2.00 mtrs x 3.72 mtrs x 1.16 mtrs  
(m / cm/ feet / inch)  
**Number of Blocks** : One  
**Number of Storys** : ---

#### **Spatial Organization**

**Orientation** : Facing towards south.  
**Plan** : Rectangular plan  
**Allocation of Spaces** : 2.00 mtrs X 3.72 mtrs

### **ARCHITECTURAL STYLE**

#### **Ornamentation**

**Exteriors** : Plain  
**Interiors** : Plain  
**Movable Collections** : ---  
**\* Any Other (specify)** : ---

### **10. Construction Technology**

**Structural System** : Single chambered cave  
**Building Techniques** : Hewed out of natural rock surface.  
**Material of Construction** : Sandstone

### **11. Condition Assessment**

**In General** **Good** / : ---  
**Fair**

Sign of Deterioration :  
 Serious Deterioration  
 Danger of Disappearance

**In Brief (Attach extra sheet if necessary):**

Due to heavy weathering the cave is in a dilapidated condition.

**12. Threats to the Property**

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- Natural
- Negligence
- Vandalism
- Urban Pressures

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**SECTION III: REFERENCES**

**13. Reference Sources** (published and unpublished textual details)

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3. Nilamani Senapati (Ed.), 1977, *Orissa District Gazetteers, Puri, Cuttack*.

**14. Photographs: 02 nos**

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(attach list as in page 6, in case of multiple photographs)

Photo Reference :  
 CAPTION :

**15. Audio / Video**

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(related to rituals / performance / festivals etc.)

Reference :  
 DESCRIPTION :

**16. Maps/Plans/Drawings**

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**17. Listers**

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