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SECTION I : IDENTIFICATION

1. Name

Present : Viswanatha Siva Temple, Old Town,
Bhubaneswar, Dist.-Khurda

Past : ---

Other Name (if any): : ---

2. Location

LONGITUDE 85°50'00" E

LATITUDE 20°14'06" N

ELEVATION 85 ft

Address

: **Village (village code)** Kotitirthesvara lane, Old Town

Post : Old Town

Via: Bhubaneswar

Tehsil: Bhubaneswar

District: Khurda

State : Orissa

PIN: 751002

Approach

: The temple is located within the Kotitirthesvara temple precinct in Old town area of Bhubaneswar. It is about 200mtrs south of the Parsuramesvara temple.

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:

It has a single *rekha vimana* of *Kalingan* Order. It is an abandoned temple but local people say that the *lingam* was shifted to a modern temple located in the north-east corner of the precinct.

4. Property Use

Present : **ABANDONED / IN USE** : Abandoned
It is a non-living temple and the presiding deity is missing now.
Past : Could not be ascertained

5. Age (Source)

PERIOD : Somavamsi rule
YEARS : 10th-11th centuries A.D.
Precise date of Construction Completion : Last decade of the 11th century A.D.
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Subsequent changes : The temple was renovated by the Orissa State Archaeology under the X and XI Finance Commission Award.
Destruction / Demolition : ---

6. Ownership / Level of Protection

SINGLE / MULTIPLE : Multiple
Public : Archaeological Survey of India / State Archaeology Department / Any Other (Please specify)
Private : ---
Any other (Please specify) : Maintained by the Kotitirthesvara Thakura Development Committee.
Name :
Address : Kotitirthesvara lane, Old town, Bhubaneswar, Dist-Khurda, Orissa.
Phone : ---

7. Association

• **WITH EVENTS**

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

• **WITH PERSONS**

Patron : Originally, the Somavamsis, now the temple is looked after by the Kotitirthesvara Thakura Development Committee.
Architect / Engineer : ---
Any other (specify) : ---

8. Statement of Significance

<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 the architectural feature, the temple can be dated to the 11 th century A.D.

