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SECTION I : IDENTIFICATION

1. Name

Present : Jagannatha Temple, Athgarh Town, Dist- Cuttack
Past : ---
Other Name (if any): : ---

2. Location

LONGITUDE 85° 37' 41" E **LATITUDE** 20° 31' 26" N **ELEVATION** 164 feet

Address : **Village (village code)** Athgarh Town (Rathagada Sahi)
Post : Athgarh Town **Via**: Athgarh Town
Tehsil: Athgarh Town **District**: Cuttack
State : Orissa **PIN**: 754029

Approach : The temple is located in Rathagada sahi and in front of the royal palace of Athgarh township.

3. Property Type

Buildings		Religious structures		Other Structures	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Palace	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Temple	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wall
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fort	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mosque	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gateway
<input type="checkbox"/>	Citadel	<input type="checkbox"/>	Minar	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pillar
<input type="checkbox"/>	Govt. building	<input type="checkbox"/>	Church	<input type="checkbox"/>	Others (specify)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Railway station	<input type="checkbox"/>	Monastery		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Defence building	<input type="checkbox"/>	Stupa		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial building	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tomb, Mausoleum		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other public buildings				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Residential building				
Engineering structure		Open space and related structures		Note:	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bridge	<input type="checkbox"/>	Public square	The temple has a <i>rekha vimana</i> and <i>pidha jagamohana</i> of impoverished <i>Kalingan</i> order.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tunnel	<input type="checkbox"/>	Park or garden		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other engineering structure	<input type="checkbox"/>	Graveyard		
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Baolis, Well		
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Tank		
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Cave		

4. Property Use

ABANDONED / IN USE : In use

Present : Living temple, the presiding deity is Attali Jagannatha, kept on a high pedestal.
Past : Worshipped

5. Age (Source)

PERIOD : During the princely rule of former state of Athgarh
YEARS : 20th century A.D.
Precise date of Construction : 1906 A.D.
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
Private : ---
Any other (Please specify) : ---
Name : Under the care of the chief priest Sudhakara Panda
Address : AT- Rathagada Sahi, PO- Athgarh Town, Dist- Cuttack, Orissa
Phone : ---

7. Association

• **WITH EVENTS**

In History : ---
In Rituals : *Ratha Yatra, Snana Purnina, Netraustava* etc are performed here.
In Building Construction : ---
Any other (specify) : Marriage, thread ceremony etc are occasionally held here.

• **WITH PERSONS**

Patron : Endowment Department, Government of Orissa.
Architect / Engineer : ---
Any other (specify) : Sudhakara Panda, the chief priest.

8. Statement of Significance

<input type="checkbox"/>	Architectural	:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Architectural
<input type="checkbox"/>	Archaeological	:	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Historical	:		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Religious	:		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Any other (specify)	:		On the basis of architectural features and local information the temple can be assigned to the beginning of the 20 th century A.D. i.e. the princely rule of ex- state of Athgarh.

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**
 - Integral part of a Landscape** : Street
 - / Street / Complex :**

- **Quantification**
- Area Dimension (L x B x H) : 21.00 mtrs x 10.55 mtrs x 27.43 mtrs
(m / cm/ feet / inch)
- Number of Blocks : Three (*Vimana, Antarala and Jagamohana*)
- Number of Storys : ---

- **Spatial Organization**
- Orientation : Facing towards west.
- Plan : The *vimana* and *jagamohana* are square on plan that stands over a platform of 1.05 mtrs high
- Allocation of Spaces : 47.00 mtrs (L) x 47.00 mtrs (W)

ARCHITECTURAL STYLE

- **Ornamentation**
- Exteriors : Decorated with architectural motifs like – miniature *rekhamundis* on the central *raha*, *pidhamundis* design over the *parsvadevata* niches, *gajakranta* motif on each *raha*, *dopichhasimhas* and female figures over the *beki* of the *vimana* and *jagamohana* to support the *amla*; secular motifs such as *gaja-vidalas*, *nayikas*, *mithuna* images, etc in the recess of the *pagas* both in the lower and upper *jangha*,
- Interiors : A garuda pillar is there in the center of the *jagamohana*
- Movable Collections : Nil
- * **Any Other** (specify) : The temple is *saptaratha* on plan and *panchangabada* in elevation.

10. Construction Technology

- Structural System** : *Rekha vimana* and *pidha jagamohana* of *Kalingan* order.
- Building Techniques** : Ashlar masonry
- Material of Construction** : Stone is used for the construction of the temple and the entire surface is thickly lime plastered and white washed.

11. Condition Assessment

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

Sign of Deterioration

