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SECTION I : IDENTIFICATION

1. Name

Present : Mahastupa, Lalitagiri, Dist.-Cuttack
Past : ---
Other Name (if any): : ---

2. Location

LONGITUDE 86° 15' 03" E **LATITUDE** 20° 35'22"N **ELEVATION** 183 ft

Address : **Village (village code)** Lalitagiri
Post : Patna **Via**: Mahanga
Tehsil: Mahanga **District**: Cuttack
State : Orissa **PIN**: 754206

Approach : The Mahastupa is situated at the top of the Lalitagiri hillock, 46 steps are provided to reach to the stupa in the back side of the Archaeological site museum, and at a distance of 2 kms south ward from Bandareswar chowk, on N.H 5 (A) running from Chandikhola to Paradeep.

3. Property Type

Buildings

Palace
Fort
Citadel
Govt. building
Railway station
Defence building
Industrial building
Other public buildings
Residential building

Engineering structure

Bridge
Tunnel
Other engineering structure

Religious structures

Temple
Mosque
Minar
Church
Monastery
Stupa
Tomb, Mausoleum

Open space and related structures

Public square
Park or garden
Graveyard
Baolis, Well
Tank
Cave

Other Structures

Wall
Gateway
Pillar
Others (specify)
✓ **Chaitya**

Note:

It is an unique stupa of its kind in entire Orissa. It is only site in Orissa where relic casket was first reported in the year 1985. The stupa is provided with *Pradakshina patha*. It is entirely a renovated one.

4. Property Use

ABANDONED / IN USE Abandoned

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Present : Presently the site is a point of tourist destination.
Past : Worshipped place of the Buddhist monk.

5. Age (Source)

PERIOD : The mahastupa was existed during the Bhaumakara and Somavamsi period.
YEARS : 8th -12th centuries A.D
Precise date of Construction Completion : ---
Subsequent changes : The mahastupa was renovated and conserved by the Archaeological Survey of India.
Destruction / Demolition : The mahastupa is partly existed which was conserved by Archaeological Survey of India.

6. Ownership / Level of Protection

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,V.I.P.Area Nayapalli, Bhubaneswar.
Phone : 0674-2558170

7. Association

WITH EVENTS

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

WITH PERSONS

Patron : It is looked after by Archaeological Survey of India.
Architect / Engineer : ---
Any other (specify) : --

8. Statement of Significance

In Brief (Attach extra sheet if necessary):

The existing mahastupa is in a good state of preservation due to the proper care of the Archaeological Survey of India.

12. Threats to the Property

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Natural |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Negligence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Vandalism |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Urban Pressures |

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SECTION III: REFERENCES

13. Reference Sources (published and unpublished textual details)

1. N.K. Sahu, 1958, *Buddhisim in Orissa*, Bhubaneswar.
2. R.P. Mohapatra, 1986, *Archaeology in Orissa*, Vol.II, New Delhi.

14. Photographs: 17 nos

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

Photo Reference :
CAPTION :

15. Audio / Video

(related to rituals / performance / festivals etc.)

Reference :
DESCRIPTION :

16. Maps/Plans/Drawings

17. Listers

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