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SECTION I : IDENTIFICATION

1. Name

Present : Mahakala Temple, Ratnagiri, Dist.-Jajpur
Past : Ratnagiri Mahavihara
Other Name (if any): : ---

2. Location

LONGITUDE 86° 20' 05" E **LATITUDE** 20° 38' 27" N **ELEVATION** 86 ft

Address : **Village (village code)** Ratnagiri
Post : Ratnagiri **Via**: Chandikhol
Tehsil: Bari-Ramachandrapur **District**: Jajpur
State : Orissa **PIN**: 754236

Approach : The temple is situated in the southern side of Ratnagiri Mahavihara in Assia hill range and on the left bank of the river Kelua, a tributary of Birupa and about 18 kms from Haridaspur chowk on N.H 5 (A) running from Chandikhol 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)

Note:

The temple has a *rekha vimana* with recent built G.I. sheet-roofed *mandapa* in front. The temple was rebuilt by Archaeological Survey of India by applying the method of transplantation; it is the first transplanted temple in Eastern India.

4. Property Use

ABANDONED / IN USE : Abandoned

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

5. Age (Source)

PERIOD : Suryavamsi period.
YEARS : 16th century A.D
Precise date of Construction Completion : ---
Subsequent changes : The temple was renovated and conserved by Archaeological Survey of India.
Destruction / Demolition : ---

6. Ownership / Level of Protection

SINGLE / MULTIPLE : Single

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 :
Address : Archaeological Survey of India, Bhubaneswar Circle, 153,V.I.P.Area Nayapalli, Bhubaneswar, Orissa
Phone : 0674-2558170

7. Association

• **WITH EVENTS**

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

• **WITH PERSONS**

Patron : Presently, the Archaeological 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 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Religious | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Any other (specify) | : On the basis architectural style the temple can be dated to the 16 th century A.D. The original temple stands over a Buddhist monastery of the 8 th -9 th centuries AD, which was exposed during the debris clearance, and then the temple was removed from the place by using the transplantation method. |

