



# INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL CENTRE FOR THE ARTS

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## SECTION I : IDENTIFICATION

### 1. Name

**Present** : Khandagiri Cave (Cave No. 13 – ASI), Khandagiri Hillock, Bhubaneswar, Dist.-Khurda

**Past** : ---

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

### 2. Location

**LONGITUDE** 85°47'04" E      **LATITUDE** 20°15'37" N      **ELEVATION** 260 ft.

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

**Approach** : It is on the eastern summit of the Khandagiri Hillock and situated on the left side of the road (MDR-78), branching from the National Highway No. 5 at Khandagiri Square and 6 kms from Bhubaneswar.

### 3. Property Type

- Buildings**
- Palace
  - Fort
  - Citadel
  - Govt. building
  - Railway station
  - Defense 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

**Note:**  
Rock cut cave having two cella originally fronted by a pillared verandah.

Cave

#### 4. Property Use

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**ABANDONED / IN** Abandoned  
**USE :**

**Present** : Abandoned and dilapidated in condition.  
**Past** : Used as residence of Jaina monks.

#### 5. Age (Source)

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**PERIOD** : Mahameghavahana Chedi dynasty of Kalinga  
under Kharavela  
**YEARS** : 1<sup>st</sup> century B.C.  
**Precise date of Construction** : ---  
**Completion** : ---  
**Subsequent changes** : Frontal varanda has disappeared.  
**Destruction / Demolition** : ---

#### 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 Mahameghabahana Chedi King Kharavela, now Archaeological Survey of India  
**Architect / Engineer** : ---  
**Any other (specify)** : ---

#### 8. Statement of Significance

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