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SECTION I : IDENTIFICATION

1. Name

Present : Siva Temple No. I, Muktesvara Temple Complex, Bhubaneswar, Dist.-Khurda.

Past : ---

Other Name (if any): : ---

2. Location

LONGITUDE 85°50'26"E **LATITUDE** 20°14'33"N **ELEVATION** 52 ft

Address : **Village (village code)** Muktesvara Temple Complex, Old Town

Post : Old Town **Via**: Old Town

Tehsil: Bhubaneswar **District**: Khurda

State : Orissa **PIN**: 751002

Approach : The temple is located within the precinct of Mukteswar temple, old town, and on the right side of the road leading from Bhubaneswar to Puri.

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 :
The temple has a miniature *rekha vimana* of Kalingan style, dedicated to lord Siva. The temple seems to be a votive temple.

4. Property Use

ABANDONED / IN USE : In use

Present : Living temple, enshrining a Sivalinga within a circular *yoniptha*. The temple is a tourist point of attraction.
Past : Worshipped

5. Age (Source)

PERIOD : Somavamsi period
YEARS : 10th century AD
Precise date of Construction Completion : ---
Subsequent changes : The temple was 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, VIP Area, Nayapali, Bhubaneswar, Orissa
Phone : 0674 -2558170

7. Association

• **WITH EVENTS**

In History : ---
In Rituals : *Sivaratir, Sankranti* etc.
In Building Construction : ---
Any other (specify) : ---

• **WITH PERSONS**

Patron : Archaeological Survey of India.
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 architectural style, the temple can be dated to the 10th century AD.

SECTION II: DESCRIPTION

9. Physical Description and Decorative Features

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Context		* Drawings (Attach extra sheet if necessary) :	No
Urban / Rural Setting	:		Urban setting
Surroundings	:	Stand in Isolation	Complex
		Integral part of a Landscape / Street / Complex :	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quantification			
Area Dimension (L x B x H)	:	1.50 mtrs x 1.30 mtrs x 3.00 mtrs	(m / cm/ feet / inch)
Number of Blocks	:	One	
Number of Storys	:	NA	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Spatial Organization			
Orientation	:	Facing towards east.	
Plan	:	The <i>vimana</i> is square on plan.	
Allocation of Spaces	:	1.50 mtrs (L) x 1.30 mtrs (W)	

ARCHITECTURAL STYLE

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ornamentation			
Exteriors	:	Plain	
Interiors	:	Plain	
Movable Collections	:	---	
* Any Other (specify)	:	The temple is <i>pancharatha</i> on plan and <i>triangabada</i> in elevation.	

10. Construction Technology

Structural System	:	<i>Rekha vimana</i> of <i>Kalingan</i> order.
Building Techniques	:	Ashlar dry masonry
Material of Construction	:	Sand stone.

11. Condition Assessment

In General **Good / Fair** : Fair

<input type="checkbox"/>	Sign of Deterioration
<input type="checkbox"/>	Serious Deterioration
<input type="checkbox"/>	Danger of Disappearance

In Brief (Attach extra sheet if necessary):

It is in a good state of preservation.

