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SECTION I : IDENTIFICATION

1. Name

Present : Siva Temple No. VII, 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 :

It is a *reha* temple of *Kalingan* order. The temple is devoid of sculptural embellishment except a *bho-motive chaitya* medallion on the facade of the frontal *raha paga*.

4. Property Use

ABANDONED / IN USE : In use

Present : Living temple, enshrining a Sivalinga within a circular *yonipitha*.
Past : Worshipped

5. Age (Source)

PERIOD : Somavansi rule
YEARS : 10th century AD
Precise date of Construction Completion : ---
Subsequent changes : Renovated and repaired 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 : Archaeological Survey of India, Bhubaneswar Circle,
Address : 153, VIP Area, Nayapali, Bhubaneswar, Orissa
Phone : 0674- 2558170

7. Association

• **WITH EVENTS**

In History : ---
In Rituals : *Sivaratri, Sitalasasthi* 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 of structural plan, the temple can be ascribed to the 10 th century AD.

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 : Complex
		Integral part of a Landscape / Street / Complex :
• Quantification		
Area Dimension (L x B x H)	:	1.80 mtrs x 1.70 mtrs x 4.00 mtrs (m / cm/ feet / inch)
Number of Blocks	:	One
Number of Storys	:	---
• Spatial Organization		
Orientation	:	Facing towards west.
Plan	:	Square on plan
Allocation of Spaces	:	2.25 mtrs (L) x 1.90 mtrs (W)

ARCHITECTURAL STYLE

• Ornamentation		
Exteriors	:	The temple is devoid of sculptural embellishment except a <i>chaitya</i> medallion carving on the frontal <i>raha</i> projection.
Interiors	:	Plain
Movable Collections	:	---
* Any Other (specify)	:	The temple is <i>pancharatha</i> on plan and <i>triangabada</i> in elevation. The <i>pabhaga</i> is plain.

10. Construction Technology

Structural System	:	<i>Rekha vimana</i>
Building Techniques	:	Ashlar dry masonry
Material of Construction	:	Sandstone.

11. Condition Assessment

In General **Good / Fair** : Good

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

In Brief (Attach extra sheet if necessary):

The temple is well preserved.

12. Threats to the Property

<input type="checkbox"/>	Natural
<input type="checkbox"/>	Negligence
<input type="checkbox"/>	Vandalism

