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SECTION I : IDENTIFICATION

1. Name

Present : Chitresvara Temple (Temple No. - 13), Lingaraja Temple Complex, Bhubaneswar, Dist. - Khurda

Past : ---

Other Name (if any): : ---

2. Location

LONGITUDE 85°50'05" E **LATITUDE** 20°14'26" N **ELEVATION** 70 ft.

Address : **Village (village code)** Lingaraja Temple Complex
Post : Old Town **Via**: Old Town, Bhubaneswar
Tehsil: Bhubaneswar **District**: Khurda
State : Orissa **PIN**: 751002

Approach : The temple is situated on the south-east of the Grand Lingaraja within the complex in Old Town, Bhubaneswar.

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, locally called as Chitresvara is of *rekha* order of *Kalingan* style.

4. Property Use

ABANDONED / IN USE : In use

Present : Living temple, the presiding deity is a Sivalinga within a circular *yonipitha*.
Past : Worshipped

5. Age (Source)

PERIOD : Suryavamsi Gajapati rule
YEARS : 16th century AD
Precise date of Construction Completion : Second half of the 16th century AD.
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Subsequent changes : The temple is buried up to the *jangha* portion and it was renovated and conserved by Archaeological Survey of India.
Destruction / Demolition : ---

6. Ownership / Level of Protection

SINGLE / MULTIPLE : Multiple

Public : Archaeological Survey of India / State Archaeology Department / Any Other (Please specify) : Protected monument of Archaeological Survey of India
Private : Lingaraja Temple Trust Board maintains the rituals of the temple.
Any other (Please specify) : Endowment Department, Government of Orissa manages the property of the temple.
Name : ---
Address : Archaeological Survey of India, Bhubaneswar Circle, 153 - VIP Area, Nayapalli, Bhubaneswar, Orissa.
Phone : 0674- 2558170

7. Association

• **WITH EVENTS**

In History : ---
In Rituals : *Sivaratri, Kartika Purnima, Sankranti, etc.*
In Building Construction : ---
Any other (specify) : Thread ceremony, engagements, etc.

• **WITH PERSONS**

Patron : Archeological Survey of India and Endowment Department, Government of Orissa.
Architect / Engineer : ---
Any other (specify) : Lingaraja Temple Trust Board

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 architectural ground, the temple can be assigned to the late Suryavamsi Gajapati rule i.e. about the second half of the 16th century AD.

SECTION II: DESCRIPTION

9. Physical Description and Decorative Features

- **Context**
 - Urban / Rural Setting : *** Drawings (Attach extra sheet if necessary) : No**
 - Surroundings : Urban setting
 - Stand in Isolation : Complex
 - Integral part of a Landscape
 - / Street / Complex :

- **Quantification**
 - Area Dimension (L x B x H) : 2.50 mtrs x 1.90 mtrs x 3.00 mtrs
(m / cm/ feet / inch)
 - Number of Blocks : One
 - Number of Storys : N.A.

- **Spatial Organization**
 - Orientation : Facing towards west.
 - Plan : The *vimana* is square on plan.
 - Allocation of Spaces : 158.49 mtrs x 141.73 mtrs in length and breadth respectively.

ARCHITECTURAL STYLE

- **Ornamentation**
 - Exteriors : Devoid of any decoration.
 - Interiors : Plain
 - Movable Collections : Plain
 - * **Any Other** (specify) : The temple is *pancharatha* on plan and *triangabada* in elevation.

10. Construction Technology

- Structural System** : *Rekha vimana* of *Kalingan* order.
- Building Techniques** : Ashlar dry masonry
- Material of Construction** : Sandstone is used for the construction of the temple.

11. Condition Assessment

- In General** **Good / Fair** : Good
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| <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 in a good state of preservation due to the renovation work.

12. Threats to the Property

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

SECTION III: REFERENCES

13. Reference Sources (published and unpublished textual details)

1. K. S. Behera, 2008, *The Lingaraja Temple of Bhubaneswar, Art and Cultural Legacy*, New Delhi.
2. Debala Mitra, 1961, *Bhubaneswar*, ASI, New Delhi.
- 3.

14. Photographs: 05 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

NAME : Jaya Shankar Naik NAME :

18. Reviewers

NAME : Dr. S. Pradhan NAME :
COMMENTS COMMENTS :