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|  | SECTION I : IDENTIFICATION  |  |
|--|---|--|
| 1. Name  |   |  |
| Present<br>Past<br>Other Name (if any):  | <ul> <li>Ruined Siva Temple (Temple No - 6), Lingaraja<br/>Temple Complex, Bhubaneswar, Dist Khurda</li> <li></li> <li></li> </ul>  |  |
| 2. Location  |   |  |
| LONGITUDE 85°50'05" E  | <b>LATITUDE</b> 20 <sup>0</sup> 14 <sup>2</sup> 26 <sup>°</sup> N <b>ELEVATION</b> 70 ft.   |  |
| Address  | <ul> <li>Village (village code)</li> <li>Post : Old Town</li> <li>Tehsil: Bhubaneswar</li> <li>State : Orissa</li> <li>Lingaraja Temple Complex</li> <li>Via: Old Town, Bhubaneswar</li> <li>District: Khurda</li> <li>PIN: 751002</li> </ul>           |  |
| Approach   | : The temple, on the north-eastern corner of Grand Lingaraja temple complex is situated in Old Town, Bhubaneswar.   |  |
| 3. Property Type   |   |  |
| BuildingsPalaceFortCitadelGovt. buildingRailway stationDefence buildingIndustrial buildingOther public buildingsResidential building | Religious structures       Other Structures         ✓       Temple       Wall         Mosque       Gateway         Minar       Pillar         Church       Others (specify)         Monastery       Stupa         Tomb, Mausoleum       Tomb, Mausoleum |  |
| Engineering structure         Bridge         Tunnel         Other engineering structure  | Open space and related<br>structuresNote.Public squareThe temple has a rekha<br>vimana of Kalingan style.Park or gardenVimana of Kalingan style.GraveyardBaolis, WellTankCave   |  |

|   |              | ABANDONED / IN USE : In use   |
|---|--------------|---|
| Present   | :            | Living temple, the presiding deity is a Sivalinga withi a circular <i>yonipitha</i> . |
| Past  | :            | Worshipped  |
| 5. Age (Source)   |              |   |
| PERIOD  | :            | Ganga rule  |
| YEARS   | ÷            | 13 <sup>th</sup> century AD   |
| Precise date of Construction  | :            |   |
| Completion  | :            |   |
| Subsequent changes  | :            | Renovated and conserved by Archaeological Survey of<br>India.                         |
| <b>Destruction / Demolition</b>   | :            | Now the crowing element of the temple is missing.                                     |
| 6. Ownership / Level of Protection  | on           |   |
|   |              | SINGLE /MULTIPLE : Multiple   |
| <b>Public</b> : Archaeological Survey of<br>India / State Archaeology<br>Department / Any Other (Please<br>specify) | :            | Protected monument of Archaeological Survey of India.                                 |
| Private   | :            | Lingaraja Temple Trust Board maintains the rituals the temple.                        |
| Any other (Please specify)  | :            | Endowment Department, Government of Oriss 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, Sankranti, Kartika Purnima, etc.   |
| In Building Construction  | :            |   |
| Any other (specify) <ul> <li>WITH PERSONS</li> </ul>  | :            | Thread ceremony, engagements, etc.  |
| Patron  | :            | Archeological Survey of India and Endowme<br>Department, Government of Orissa.        |
| Architect / Engineer  | :            |   |
| Any other (specify)   | :            | Lingaraja Temple Trust Board  |
|   |              |   |
| 8. Statement of Significance  |              |   |
| Architectural   | $\checkmark$ | Architectural   |
| Archaeological  |              |   |
| Historical  |              |   |
| Religious   |              |   |
| Any other (specify)   | :            |   |

On architectural ground, the temple can be dated to the late  $13^{th}$  century A.D. i.e. the Gangavamsi rule in Orissa.

# **SECTION II: DESCRIPTION**

## 9. Physical Description and Decorative Features

| Context Urban / Rural Setting Surroundings                             | :           | * <b>Drawings (</b> Attach extra sheet if necessary) No<br>Urban setting  |
|--|-------------|---|
| Surroundings   |             | Stand in Isolation<br>Integral part of a Landscape Complex<br>/ Street / Complex :  |
| • <b>Quantification</b><br>Area Dimension ( L x B x H)                 | :           | 5.60 mtrs x 4.15 mtrs x 8.00 mtrs (approximate height)<br>(m / cm/ feet / inch)   |
| Number of Blocks<br>Number of Storys                                   | :           | One<br>N.A.   |
| Spatial Organization     Orientation     Plan     Allocation of Spaces | :<br>:<br>: | Facing towards east.<br>Consists of a square <i>vimana</i> that stands over a<br>platform of 0.35 mtrs in height.<br>158.49 mtrs x 141.73 mtrs in length and breadth<br>respectively.   |
| ARCHITECTURAL STYLE<br>• Ornamentation<br>Exteriors                    | :           | The temple is decorated with architectural motifs like  |
| Interiors<br>Movable Collections<br>* <b>Any Other</b> (specify)       | :           | khakharamundis and pidhamundis in the lower and<br>upper jangha respectively, miniature angasikharas<br>surmounted by a gajakranta motif on the frontal raha<br>and pidhamundi niches at the base of the doorjambs.<br>Plain<br>Plain<br>The temple is pancharatha on plan and<br>panchangabada in elevation. |
| 10. Construction Technology  |             |   |
| Structural System<br>Building Techniques<br>Material of Construction   | :           | The temple has <i>rekha vimana</i> of <i>Kalingan</i> order.<br>Ashlar dry masonry<br>Sandstone is used both for the temple construction<br>and the <i>pista</i> .  |
| 11. Condition Assessment   |             |   |
| In GeneralGood / Fair✓Sign of Deterioration✓Serious Deterioration      | :           | Good  |

Danger of Disappearance

### In Brief (Attach extra sheet if necessary):

Due to renovation work the temple is in a good state of preservation.

### **12. Threats to the Property**



## **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.

### 14. Photographs: 04 nos

|                            | (attach list as in page 6, in case of multiple photographs) |
|----------------------------|---|
| Photo Reference<br>CAPTION |   |

#### 15. Audio / Video

|                          |   | (related to rituals / performance / festivals etc.) |
|--------------------------|---|---|
| Reference<br>DESCRIPTION | : |   |
|                          |   |   |

### 16. Maps/Plans/Drawings

#### 17. Listers

NAME : Jaarya Shank Naik NAME : 18. Reviewers

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