



# INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL CENTRE FOR THE ARTS

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### SECTION I : IDENTIFICATION

#### 1. Name

**Present** : Ruined Siva Temple (Temple No. - 93), 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, on the north of the Grand Lingaraja within the complex is situated 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.**

Ruined & a dilapidated Siva temple which has a *rekha vimana* only.

#### 4. Property Use

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**ABANDONED / IN USE :** In use

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

#### 5. Age (Source)

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**PERIOD** : Ganga rule  
**YEARS** : 14<sup>th</sup> century AD.  
**Precise date of Construction Completion** : ---  
**Subsequent changes** : Renovated and conserved by Archaeological Survey of India.  
**Destruction / Demolition** : Now the upper portion of the *gandi* is missing.

#### 6. Ownership / Level of Protection

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**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

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• **WITH EVENTS**  
**In History** : ---  
**In Rituals** : *Sivaratri, Ekadasi, Kartika Purnima*, etc held here.  
**In Building Construction** : ---  
**Any other (specify)** : Thread ceremony, engagements, etc held here.  
• **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

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<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 dated to the late Ganga rule.

## SECTION II: DESCRIPTION

### 9. Physical Description and Decorative Features

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- **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) : 3.80 mtrs x 3.30 mtrs x 5.20 mtrs (approximate height)  
(m / cm/ feet / inch)  
Number of Blocks : One  
Number of Storys : N.A.
  
- **Spatial Organization**  
Orientation : Facing towards east.  
Plan : The *vimana* is square on plan that stands over a platform of 0.40 mtrs in height.  
Allocation of Spaces : 158.49 mtrs x 141.73 mtrs in length and breadth respectively.

### ARCHITECTURAL STYLE

- **Ornamentation**  
Exteriors : Devoid of any decoration except a miniature *rekha sikhara* on the frontal *raha*. The doorjambs have *pidhamundi* at the base.  
Interiors : Plain  
Movable Collections : Nil  
\* **Any Other** (specify) : The temple is *pancharatha* on plan and *panchangabada* in elevation.

### 10. Construction Technology

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

### 11. Condition Assessment

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**In General**                      **Good / Fair** : Fair

- Sign of Deterioration
- Serious Deterioration
- Danger of Disappearance

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

The existing temple is in a fair condition.

