



# INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL CENTRE FOR THE ARTS

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### SECTION I: IDENTIFICATION

#### 1. Name

Present : Duda Talab Ka Chhatri  
Past :  
Other Name (if any):

#### 2. Location

LONGITUDE 75°15'E

LATITUDE 27°40'N

Address

Duda Talab pal, Merta City

: Village (village code)

Post: Merta city

District: Nagaur

State: Rajasthan

PIN: 341510

Approach

: The Chhatri is situated near Duda Talab, at Merta in Nagaur District. It is 80km away from bus stand, Nagaur. It is well connected by regular bus services.

#### 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)- Chhatri

##### Engineering structure

- ☐ Bridge
- ☐ Tunnel
- ☐ Other engineering structure

##### Open space and related structures

- ☐ Public square
- ☐ Park or garden
- ☐ Graveyard
- ☐ Baolis, Well
- ☐ Tank
- ☐ Cave

**Note:** There are several Chhatris in the complex. The chhatris are based on the Indo-Persian architectural techniques. The Chhatri are base on a raised platform, with multi-angular pillars holding the superstructure. The Chhajja is slanted. Above it is a bulbous dome and finial on the top. The Chhatri are made of red-sandstone.

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#### 4. Property Use

**ABANDONED / IN USE :** Abandoned

**Present** : Memorial  
**Past** : Memorial

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#### 5. Age (Source)

**PERIOD** : 17<sup>th</sup> Century AD  
**YEARS** :

**Precise date of Construction** :  
**Completion** :  
**Subsequent changes** :  
**Destruction / Demolition** :

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#### 6. Ownership / Level of Protection

**SINGLE /MULTIPLE :**

**Public** : Archaeological Survey of  
India / State Archaeology  
Department / Any Other (Please  
specify)  
**Private** :  
**Any other (Please specify)** :  
**Name** :  
**Address** :  
**Phone** :

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#### 7. Association

- **WITH EVENTS**
  - In History** :
  - In Rituals** :
  - In Building Construction** :
  - Any other (specify)** : It is related to sarcophagus tradition.
- **WITH PERSONS**
  - Patron** :
  - Architect / Engineer** :
  - Any other (specify)** :

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#### 8. Statement of Significance

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Architectural- Based on multi-angular columns. |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Archaeological                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Historical                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Religious                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Any other (specify)                            |

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## **SECTION II: DESCRIPTION**

### **9. Physical Description and Decorative Features**

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- **Context**  
**Urban√ / Rural Setting**  
**Surroundings**  
**\* Drawings** (Attach extra sheet if necessary)  
Urban setting  
**Stand in Isolation**  
**Integral part of a Landscape / Street / Complex**
- **Quantification**  
Area Dimension ( L x B x H) :  

(m / cm/ feet / inch)

  
Number of Blocks : 01  
Number of Storys : 01
- **Spatial Organization**  
Orientation : The Cenotaph is oriented East/West and faces the West.  
Plan :  
Allocation of Spaces :

### **ARCHITECTURAL STYLE**

- **Ornamentation**  
Exteriors : Carving work on the outer surface of the chhatris.  
Interiors : Geometrical design, with sunken panel on the ceiling, floral motifs on lintel and ceiling.  
Movable Collections :  
**Any Other** (specify) :

### **10. Construction Technology**

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<b>Structural System</b>	Indo-Persian.
<b>Building Techniques</b>	Trabeate system for pillars.
<b>Material of Construction</b>	Stone and plaster.

## 11. Condition Assessment

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**In General**

**Good / Fair**

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Sign of Deterioration  
Serious Deterioration  
Danger of Disappearance

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

Blackening and breakage.

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## 12. Threats to the Property

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Natural  
Negligence  
Vandalism  
Urban Pressures

### **SECTION III: REFERENCES**

#### **13. Reference Sources** (published and unpublished textual details)

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#### **14. Photographs**

(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**

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#### **17. Listers**

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**NAME**

**NAME**

#### **18. Reviewers**

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**NAME**

**NAME**

**COMMENTS**

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