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SECTION I : IDENTIFICATION

1.Name

Present **Balban Khan's Tomb**

Past _____

Other Name (if any) _____

2. Location

Address LONGITUDE **77⁰10'E** LATTITUDE **28⁰30'N**
DDA Park, Mehrauli, to the east of Jamali Kamali Mosque

Village (village code) _____

Post _____ District **South Delhi**

State **Delhi** PIN **110030**

Approach **Nearest Metro Station – Qutub Minar**

3.Property Type

Buildings

- Palace
- Fort
- Citadel
- Govt. building
- Railway station
- Defence building
- Industrial building
- Other public buildings
- Residential building

Engineering structure

- Bridge
- Tunnel
- Other engineering structure

Religious structures

- Temple
- Mosque
- Minar
- Church
- Monastery
- Stupa
- Tomb, Mausoleum

Open space and related structures

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

Other Structures

- Wall
- Gateway
- Pillar
- Others (specify)

The first major tomb in India where true arch was constructed.

4.Property Use

Present **Protected monument**

Past **Tomb**

5. Age (Source)

**PERIOD
YEARS**

Precise date of
Construction
Completion
Subsequent changes
Destruction / Demolition

6. Ownership / Level of Protection

SINGLE /MULTIPLE

Public **Archaeological Survey of India**

Private _____

Any other (Please specify) _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

7. Association

• **WITH EVENTS**

- In History
- In Rituals
- In Building Construction
- Any other (specify)

• **WITH PERSONS**

- Patron
- Architect / Engineer
- Any other (specify)

8. Statement of Significance

- Architectural
 - Archaeological
 - Historical
 - Religious
 - Any other (specify)
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SECTION II: DESCRIPTION

9. Physical Description and Decorative Features

● Context

* **Drawings** (Attach extra sheet if necessary)

Urban / Rural Setting
Surroundings

Stand in Isolation
✓ Integral part of a Landscape / Street /
Complex

● Quantification

Area Dimension (L x B x H)

The tomb measures 11.58 sq m.

Number of Blocks

Number of Storys

● Spatial Organization

Orientation

Plan

Allocation of Spaces

ARCHITECTURAL STYLE

● Ornamentation

Exteriors

It has pointed arch openings on all four sides.

Interiors

Movable Collections

Any Other (specify)

10. Construction Technology

Structural System The tomb appears to have stood in a complex of buildings including perhaps a palace. Recent excavations have revealed a well conceived drainage system on the site. To the east is another compartment which is believed to be the tomb of Balban's son. On the west is smaller compartment with an unknown grave.

Building Techniques Random rubble masonry

Material of Construction Walls: Random rubble masonry Floor: Stone

11. Condition Assessment

In General

Good / Fair

- Sign of Deterioration
- Serious Deterioration
- Danger of Disappearance

In Brief (Attach extra sheet if necessary)

It's very apparent that the building was roofed by a dome which has now collapsed. The grave is also missing and so is the dressed stone which would have covered the building. The northern wall of the tomb served as retaining wall and has now collapsed.

12.Threats to the Property

- Natural
- Negligence
- Vandalism
- Urban Pressures

SECTION III: REFERENCES

13. Reference Sources (published and unpublished textual details)

1. Inventory of monuments and sites of national importance Volume I Part 3- ASI

2. Delhi The Built Heritage: A listing INTACH

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

17. Listers

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