Periodic Report - Second Cycle

1. World Heritage Property Data

1.1 - Name of World Heritage Property

Ellora Caves

1.2 - World Heritage Property Details State(s) Party(ies)

India

Type of Property

cultural

Identification Number

243

Year of inscription on the World Heritage List 1983

1.3 - Geographic Information Table

| Name | Coordinates | Property (ha) | Buffer zone (ha) | Total (ha) | Inscription year |
|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Ellora Caves | 20.026 / 75.179 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1983 |
| Total (ha) | | | 0 | | |

Comment

There is no change in the core area and based on the Site Management Plan, now commissioned by ASI which is nearing completion and is under discussion. Hence the exact details shall be submitted after the SMP is accepted.

1.4 - Map(s)

| Title | | Link to source |
|---|------------|----------------|
| Ellora Caves, showing the inscribed property | 15/10/1982 | œ |
| Ellora caves, showing the buffer zone of the property | 01/10/1983 | |

Comment

The updated maps shall be submitted separately.

1.5 - Governmental Institution Responsible for the Property

Comment

Archaeological Survey of India Ministry of Culture Government of India

1.6 - Property Manager / Coordinator, Local Institution / Agency

 Superintending Archaeologist Archaeological Survey of India

Comment

Superintending Archaeologist Archaeological Survey of India Aurangabad Circle, Bibi-ka-Maqbara Aurangabad - 431004 (Maharashtra) Telephone +91-240-2400602 E-mail circleaur.asi@gmail.com

1.7 - Web Address of the Property (if existing)

1. <u>1001wonders.org</u>: visit this site in panophotographies - 360 x 180 degree images

2. Ajanta and Ellora Caves

Comment

http://www.asi.nic.in/asi_monu_whs_ellora.asp

Section II - Ellora Caves (243)

1.8 - Other designations / Conventions under which the property is protected (if applicable)

Comment

Ancient Monuments Preservation Act, 1904 Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958 Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Rules. 1959

2. Statement of Outstanding Universal Value

2.1 - Statement of Outstanding Universal Value / Statement of Significance

Comment

The Retrospective Statement of Outstanding Universal Value has been submitted on 31.1.2011 to the WHC.

2.2 - The criteria (2005 revised version) under which the property was inscribed

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2.3 - Attributes expressing the Outstanding Universal Value per criterion

The attributes along with the Retrospective Statement of Outstanding Universal Value has been submitted on 31.1.2011 to the WHC.

2.4 - If needed, please provide details of why the Statement of Outstanding Universal Value should be revised

The revised RSOUV has been submitted on 31.01.2011 to the WHC.

2.5 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to Statement of Outstanding Universal Value

No comments

3. Factors Affecting the Property

3.14. Other factor(s)

3.14.1 - Other factor(s)

No comments

3.15. Factors Summary Table

3.15.1 - Factors summary table

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| | 3.11.6 Fire (widlfires) | | | | 4 | | F |
| | 3.13 | Manage | ment a | nd ins | titution | al fact | |

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| | | | | | Name | Impact | | | | Origin |
|-------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|------|--------|---|-------------|-------|--------|
| 3.13.1 Low | impact research / m | nonitoring activities | | | 0 | 8 | 7 | | (0) | |
| 3.13.3 Mana | 3.13.3 Management activities | | | | 0 | | 9 | A | • | |
| Legend | Current | Potential | Negative | Positive | Insi | de | 9 | Out | tside | |

3.16. Assessment of current negative factors

3.16.1 - Assessment of current negative factors

| | | Spatial scale | Temporal scale | Impact | Management response | Trend |
|-------|---|---------------|--------------------------|-------------|---------------------|------------|
| 3.1 | Buildings and Development | | | | | |
| 3.1.1 | Housing | localised | frequent | significant | medium capacity | increasing |
| 3.1.2 | Commercial development | localised | on-going | minor | medium capacity | increasing |
| 3.1.4 | Major visitor accommodation and associated infrastructure | restricted | on-going | minor | medium capacity | increasing |
| 3.2 | Transportation Infrastructure | | | | | |
| 3.2.1 | Ground transport infrastructure | localised | intermittent or sporadic | significant | medium capacity | increasing |
| 3.4 | Pollution | | | | | |
| 3.4.4 | Air pollution | extensive | on-going | significant | medium capacity | increasing |
| 3.4.5 | Solid waste | localised | frequent | significant | medium capacity | increasing |
| 3.4.6 | Input of excess energy | restricted | intermittent or sporadic | minor | medium capacity | increasing |
| 3.7 | Local conditions affecting physical fa | bric | | | | |
| 3.7.1 | Wind | localised | intermittent or sporadic | minor | medium capacity | increasing |
| 3.7.2 | Relative humidity | localised | frequent | significant | medium capacity | increasing |
| 3.7.3 | Temperature | localised | frequent | significant | medium capacity | increasing |
| 3.7.4 | Radiation/light | localised | intermittent or sporadic | minor | medium capacity | increasing |
| 3.7.5 | Dust | localised | intermittent or sporadic | minor | medium capacity | increasing |
| 3.7.6 | Water (rain/water table) | extensive | frequent | significant | low capacity | increasing |
| 3.7.7 | Pests | restricted | intermittent or sporadic | minor | medium capacity | static |
| 3.7.8 | Micro-organisms | localised | frequent | minor | medium capacity | increasing |
| 3.8 | Social/cultural uses of heritage | • | • | | <u> </u> | - |
| 3.8.2 | Society's valuing of heritage | localised | intermittent or sporadic | minor | medium capacity | increasing |
| 3.8.6 | Impacts of tourism / visitor / recreation | extensive | frequent | significant | medium capacity | increasing |

3.17. Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to factors affecting the property

3.17.1 - Comments

No comments

4. Protection, Management and Monitoring of the Property

4.1. Boundaries and Buffer Zones

4.1.1 - Buffer zone status

There is a buffer zone

4.1.2 - Are the boundaries of the World Heritage property adequate to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value?

The boundaries of the World Heritage property are **adequate** to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value

4.1.3 - Are the buffer zone(s) of the World Heritage property adequate to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value?

The buffer zones of the World Heritage property **are adequate** to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value

4.1.4 - Are the boundaries of the World Heritage property known?

The boundaries of the World Heritage property are known by both the management authority and local residents / communities / landowners.

4.1.5 - Are the buffer zones of the World Heritage property known?

The buffer zones of the World Heritage property **are known** by both the management authority and local residents / communities / landowners.

4.1.6 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to boundaries and buffer zones of the World Heritage property

No comments

4.2. Protective Measures

4.2.1 - Protective designation (legal, regulatory, contractual, planning, institutional and / or traditional)

4.2.2 - Is the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulation) adequate for maintaining the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Integrity and / or Authenticity of the property?

The legal framework for the maintenance of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and / or Integrity of the World Heritage property provides **an adequate or better basis** for effective management and protection

4.2.3 - Is the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulation) adequate in the buffer zone for maintaining the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Integrity and / or Authenticity of the property?

The legal framework for the maintenance of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and / or Integrity of the World Heritage property provides **an adequate or better basis** for effective management and protection

4.2.4 - Is the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulation) adequate in the area surrounding the World Heritage property and buffer zone for maintaining the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Integrity and / or Authenticity of the property?

The legal framework for the area surrounding the World Heritage property and the buffer zone provides **an adequate or better basis** for effective management and protection of the property, contributing to the maintenance of its Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and / or Integrity

4.2.5 - Can the legislative framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulation) be enforced?

There is **acceptable** capacity / resources to enforce legislation and / or regulation in the World Heritage property but some deficiencies remain

4.2.6 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to protective measures No comments

4.3. Management System / Management Plan

4.3.1 - Management System

4.3.2 - Management Documents

Comment

The Site Management Plan of Ellora Caves has already been commissioned and nearing completion.

4.3.3 - How well do the various levels of administration (i.e. national / federal; regional / provincial / state; local / municipal etc.) coordinate in the management of the World Heritage Property?

There is coordination between the range of administrative bodies / levels involved in the management of the property **but it could be improved**

4.3.4 - Is the management system / plan adequate to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value ?

The management system/plan is only **partially adequate** to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value

4.3.5 - Is the management system being implemented?

The management system is not being implemented

4.3.6 - Is there an annual work / action plan and is it being implemented?

An annual work / action plan exists but **few of the activities** are being implemented

4.3.7 - Please rate the cooperation / relationship with World Heritage property managers / coordinators / staff of the following

| Local communities / residents | Poor |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Local / Municipal authorities | Poor |
| Indigenous peoples | Poor |
| Landowners | Non-existent |
| Visitors | Poor |
| Researchers | Fair |
| Tourism industry | Poor |
| Industry | Poor |

4.3.8 - If present, do local communities resident in or near the World Heritage property and / or buffer zone have input in management decisions that maintain the Outstanding Universal Value?

Local communities have **some input** into discussions relating to management but no direct role in management

4.3.9 - If present, do indigenous peoples resident in or regularly using the World Heritage property and / or buffer zone have input in management decisions that maintain the Outstanding Universal Value?

Indigenous peoples have **some input** into discussions relating to management but no direct role

4.3.10 - Is there cooperation with industry (i.e. forestry, mining, agriculture, etc.) regarding the management of the World Heritage property, buffer zone and / or area surrounding the World Heritage property and buffer zone?

There is contact but only **some cooperation** with industry regarding the management of the World Heritage property, buffer zone and / or area surrounding the World Heritage property and buffer zone

4.3.11 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to human resources, expertise and training

No comments

4.3.12 - Please report any significant changes in the legal status and / or contractual / traditional protective measures and management arrangements for the World Heritage property since inscription or the last Periodic report

An amendment to the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958 has made it more stringent for any developmental activities near the property.

4.4. Financial and Human Resources

4.4.1 - Costs related to conservation, based on the average of last five years (relative percentage of the funding sources)

| | _ | • | |
|---------|-------------|-----------------------------|----|
| Multila | ateral fund | ling (GEF, World Bank, etc) | 0% |

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| International donations (NGO's, foundations, etc) | 0% |
|---|------|
| Governmental (National / Federal) | 100% |
| Governmental (Regional / Provincial / State) | 0% |
| Governmental (Local / Municipal) | 0% |
| In country donations (NGO's, foundations, etc) | 0% |
| Individual visitor charges (e.g. entry, parking, camping fees, etc.) | 0% |
| Commercial operator payments (e.g. filming permit, concessions, etc.) | 0% |
| Other grants | 0% |

4.4.2 - International Assistance received from the World Heritage Fund (USD)

| Title | Year | Amount | Link to source |
|---|------|----------|----------------|
| Training workshop on the conservation of mural paintings of Ellora Caves (04-13 October 1983) | 1983 | 16200.00 | |
| Total | | 16200 | |

4.4.3 - Is the current budget sufficient to manage the World Heritage property effectively?

The available budget is **sufficient** but further funding would enable more effective management to international best practice standard

4.4.4 - Are the existing sources of funding secure and likely to remain so?

The existing sources of funding **are secure** in the mediumterm and planning is underway to secure funding in the longterm

4.4.5 - Does the World Heritage property provide economic benefits to local communities (e.g. income, employment)?

There is **some flow** of economic benefits to local communities

4.4.6 - Are available resources such as equipment, facilities and infrastructure sufficient to meet management needs?

There are **little or no** equipment or facilities despite an identified need

4.4.7 - Are resources such as equipment, facilities and infrastructure adequately maintained?

There is **little or no** maintenance of existing equipment and facilities or no equipment and facilities, despite an identified need

4.4.8 - Comments, conclusion, and / or recommendations related to finance and infrastructure

No comments

4.4.9 - Distribution of employees involved in managing the World Heritage property (% of total)

| Full-time | 60% |
|-----------|-----|
| Part-time | 40% |

4.4.10 - Distribution of employees involved in managing the World Heritage property (% of total)

| | | | |
|-----------|------|------|-----|
| Permanent | | | 60% |
| Seasonal | | | 40% |

4.4.11 - Distribution of employees involved in managing the World Heritage property (% of total)

| Paid | 100% |
|-----------|------|
| Volunteer | 0% |

4.4.12 - Are available human resources adequate to manage the World Heritage property?

A range of human resources exist, but these are below optimum to manage the World Heritage Property.

4.4.13 - Considering the management needs of the World Heritage property, please rate the availability of professionals in the following disciplines

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|--|--|--|
| Poor | | |
| Fair | | |
| Fair | | |
| Fair | | |
| Poor | | |
| Fair | | |
| Poor | | |
| | | |

4.4.14 - Please rate the availability of training opportunities for the management of the World Heritage property in the following disciplines

| Research and monitoring | Medium |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| Promotion | Medium |
| Community outreach | Medium |
| Interpretation | Medium |
| Education | Medium |
| Visitor management | Medium |
| Conservation | Medium |
| Administration | Medium |
| Risk preparedness | Low |
| Tourism | Low |
| Enforcement (custodians, police) | Low |

4.4.15 - Do the management and conservation programmes at the World Heritage property help develop local expertise?

A capacity development plan or programme is drafted or in place, but is not being implemented

4.4.16 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to human resources, expertise and training

No comments

4.5. Scientific Studies and Research Projects

4.5.1 - Is there adequate knowledge (scientific or traditional) about the values of the World Heritage property to support planning, management and decision-making to ensure that Outstanding Universal Value is maintained?

Knowledge about the values of the World Heritage property is sufficient

4.5.2 - Is there a planned programme of research at the property which is directed towards management needs and / or improving understanding of **Outstanding Universal Value?**

There is a comprehensive, integrated programme of research, which is relevant to management needs and / or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value

4.5.3 - Are results from research programmes disseminated?

Research results are shared with local partners but there is no active outreach to national or international agencies

4.5.4 - Please provide details (i.e. authors, title, and web link) of papers published about the World Heritage property since the last Periodic Report No comments

4.5.5 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to scientific studies and research projects

No comments

4.6. Education, Information and Awareness Building

4.6.1 - At how many locations is the World Heritage emblem displayed at the property?

In many locations and easily visible to visitors

4.6.2 - Please rate the awareness and understanding of the existence and justification for inscription of the World Heritage property amongst the following groups

| Local communities / residents | Average |
|--|---------|
| Local / Municipal authorities within or adjacent to the property | Average |
| Local Indigenous peoples | Average |
| Local landowners | Average |
| Visitors | Average |
| Tourism industry | Average |
| Local businesses and industries | Average |

4.6.3 - Is there a planned education and awareness programme linked to the values and management of the World Heritage property?

There is a limited and ad hoc education and awareness programme

4.6.4 - What role, if any, has designation as a World Heritage property played with respect to education, information and awareness building activities?

World Heritage status has influenced education, information and awareness building activities, but it could be improved

4.6.5 - How well is the information on Outstanding Universal Value of the property presented and interpreted?

The Outstanding Universal Value of the property is adequately presented and interpreted but improvements could be made

4.6.6 - Please rate the adequacy for education, information and awareness building of the following visitor facilities and services at the World Heritage property

| Visitor centre | Adequate |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Site museum | Not provided but needed |
| Information booths | Not provided but needed |
| Guided tours | Not provided but needed |
| Trails / routes | Not provided but needed |
| Information materials | Adequate |
| Transportation facilities | Adequate |
| Other | Adequate |

4.6.7 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to education, information and awareness building

No comments

4.7. Visitor Management

4.7.1 - Please provide the trend in annual visitation for the last five years

| Last year | Minor Increase |
|-----------------|----------------|
| Two years ago | Minor Increase |
| Three years ago | Minor Increase |
| Four years ago | Minor Increase |
| Five years ago | Minor Increase |

4.7.2 - What information sources are used to collect trend data on visitor statistics?

Entry tickets and registries

4.7.3 - Visitor management documents

4.7.4 - Is there an appropriate visitor use management plan (e.g. specific plan) for the World Heritage property which ensures that its Outstanding Universal Value is maintained?

There is **some management** of the visitor use of the World Heritage property

4.7.5 - Does the tourism industry contribute to improving visitor experiences and maintaining the values of the World Heritage property?

There is **limited co-operation** between those responsible for the World Heritage property and the tourism industry to present the Outstanding Universal Value and increase appreciation

4.7.6 - If fees (i.e. entry charges, permits) are collected, do they contribute to the management of the World Heritage property?

The fee is collected, but it makes **no contribution** to the management of the World Heritage property

4.7.7 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to visitor use of the World Heritage property

4.8. Monitoring

4.8.1 - Is there a monitoring programme at the property which is directed towards management needs and / or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value?

There is a **small amount** of monitoring, but it is not planned

4.8.2 - Are key indicators for measuring the state of conservation used to monitor how the Outstanding Universal Value of the property is maintained?

Information on the values of the World Heritage property is sufficient and key indicators have been defined but monitoring the status of indicators could be improved

4.8.3 - Please rate the level of involvement in monitoring of the following groups

| World Heritage managers / coordinators and staff | Average |
|--|--------------|
| Local / Municipal authorities | Non-existent |
| Local communities | Non-existent |
| Researchers | Poor |
| NGOs | Poor |
| Industry | Non-existent |
| Local indigenous peoples | Non-existent |

4.8.4 - Has the State Party implemented relevant recommendations arising from the World Heritage Committee?

No relevant Committee recommendations to implement

4.8.5 - Please provide comments relevant to the implementation of recommendations from the World Heritage Committee

No comments

4.8.6 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to monitoring

No comments

4.9. Identification of Priority Management Needs

4.9.1 - Please select the top 6 managements needs for the property (if more than 6 are listed below)

Please refer to question 5.2

5. Summary and Conclusions

5.1. Summary - Factors affecting the Property

5.1.1 - Summary - Factors affecting the Property

| | | World Heritage criteria and attributes affected | Actions | Monitoring | Timeframe | Lead agency (and others involved) | More info / comment |
|-------|--|---|---|---|---------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 3.4 | Pollution | | | | | | |
| 3.4.4 | Air pollution | No criteria or attributes are affected. | There is a proposal to shift the state highway which is running very close to the Buddhist group of caves. | The ASI is regularly monitoring the pollution levels near the monument, a total weather monitoring station has already been set up. | Two to three years | ASI and district administration | No comments |
| 3.4.5 | Solid waste | | | | | | |
| 3.7 | Local condition | ns affecting physical f | fabric | | | | |
| 3.7.2 | Relative humidity | No criteria or attributes are affected. | The ASI is monitoring the various levels of relative humidity through its Science Branch. Surface water drains have been constructed wherever necessary. | The Science Branch of ASI is monitoring the various changes. | Two to three years. | ASI | No comments |
| 3.7.3 | Temperature | No criteria or attributes are affected. | The ASI is monitoring the various levels of temperature through its Science Branch. | The Science Branch of ASI is monitoring the various changes. | Two to three years. | ASI | No comments |
| 3.7.6 | Water (rain/water table) | No criteria or attributes are affected. | The ASI has constructed several surface water drains and contour drains to divert the rainwater away from the cave surfaces. | The ASI is monitoring the instances of water seepage in various caves in order to evaluate and plan future needs for drains. | Two to three years | ASI | No comments |
| 3.8 | Social/cultural uses of heritage | | | | | | |
| 3.8.6 | Impacts of tourism / visitor / recreation | No criteria or attributes are affected. | The Site Management Plan is already proposing for shifting the state highway which is running very close to the property in order to reduce the vehicular movement. Further battery operated vehicles are proposed inside the property. | The ASI is monitoring the various impacts caused due to tourism related activities in order to evaluate and propose future needs. | Two to three years | ASI, MTDC | No comments |

5.2. Summary - Management Needs

5.2.2 - Summary - Management Needs

| 4.4 Financial and Human Resources | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|--------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|--|--|
| | | Actions | Timeframe | Lead agency (and others involved) | More info / comment | | |
| 4.4.6 | There are little or no equipment or facilities | The Science Branch of ASI is setting up an exclusively dedicated laboratory for cave conservation at Aurangabad which shall be catering to various conservation and preservation needs. | Two to three years | ASI | No comments | | |
| 4.4.7 | Little or no maintenance of equipment or no equipment | The Science Branch of ASI is setting up an exclusively dedicated laboratory for cave conservation at Aurangabad which shall be catering to various conservation and preservation needs. | Two to three years | ASi | No comments | | |
| 4.6 Edı | 4.6 Education, Information and Awareness Building | | | | | | |
| 4.6.3 | There is a limited education and awareness programme | The ASI is planning various educations outreach programmes aimed at education and awareness building. | Two to three years | ASI | No comments | | |

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| 4.7 Vis | 4.7 Visitor Management | | | | | | |
|---------|--------------------------------|--|--|-----|-------------|--|--|
| 4.7.4 | of the property but this could | The Site Management Plan is already commissioned an it has several recommendations on visitor management. The plan is under discussion stage at present and once it is accepted necessary implementations will be carried out. | Two to three years. | ASI | No comments | | |
| 4.7.6 | makes no | The federal funding is very well sufficient to cater to the various conservation needs of the property. | It is an ongoing process and already every year there is an increase in federal funding. | ASI | No comments | | |
| 4.8 Mo | nitoring | | | | | | |
| 4.8.1 | | The Site Management Plan is also devising various monitoring plans for the property, the plan is in final stages and after discussions it will be implemented. | Two to three years | ASI | No comments | | |

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5.3. Conclusions on the State of Conservation of the Property

5.3.1 - Current state of Authenticity

The authenticity of the World Heritage property has been **preserved**

5.3.2 - Current state of Integrity

The integrity of the World Heritage property is intact

5.3.3 - Current state of the World Heritage property's Outstanding Universal Value

The World Heritage property's Outstanding Universal Value has been **maintained**.

5.3.4 - Current state of the property's other values

Other important cultural and / or natural values and the state of conservation of the World Heritage property are **predominantly intact**

5.4. Additional comments on the State of Conservation of the Property

5.4.1 - Comments

No comments

6. World Heritage Status and Conclusions on Periodic Reporting Exercise

6.1 - Please rate the impacts of World Heritage status of the property in relation to the following areas

| Conservation | Positive |
|--|-----------|
| Research and monitoring | Positive |
| Management effectiveness | Positive |
| Quality of life for local communities and indigenous peoples | Positive |
| Recognition | Positive |
| Education | Positive |
| Infrastructure development | Negative |
| Funding for the property | Positive |
| International cooperation | Positive |
| Political support for conservation | No impact |
| Legal / Policy framework | Positive |
| Lobbying | No impact |
| Institutional coordination | Positive |
| Security | No impact |
| Other (please specify) | No impact |

6.2 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to World Heritage status

No comments

6.3 - Entities involved in the preparation of this Section of the Periodic Report

| Governmental institution responsible for the property |
|--|
| Site Manager/Coordinator/World Heritage property staff |
| Staff from other World Heritage properties |

6.4 - Was the Periodic Reporting questionnaire easy to use and clearly understandable?

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6.5 - Please provide suggestions for improvement of the Periodic Reporting questionnaire

The present questionnaire is very exhaustive and catering to various needs of the management of the property.

6.6 - Please rate the level of support for completing the Periodic Report questionnaire from the following entities

| UNESCO | Good |
|----------------------------|------|
| State Party Representative | Good |
| Advisory Body | |

6.7 - How accessible was the information required to complete the Periodic Report?

All required information was accessible

6.8 - The Periodic Reporting process has improved the understanding of the following

| The World Heritage Convention |
|--|
| The concept of Outstanding Universal Value |
| The property's Outstanding Universal Value |
| The concept of Integrity and / or Authenticity |
| The property's Integrity and / or Authenticity |

6.9 - Please rate the follow-up to conclusions and recommendations from previous Periodic Reporting exercise by the following entities

| UNESCO | Satisfactory |
|-----------------|--------------|
| State Party | Satisfactory |
| Site Managers | Satisfactory |
| Advisory Bodies | Satisfactory |

6.10 - Summary of actions that will require formal consideration by the World Heritage Committee

Statement of Outstanding Universal Value / Statement of Significance

Reason for update: The Retrospective Statement of Outstanding Universal Value has been submitted on 31.1.2011 to the WHC.

• Geographic Information Table

Reason for update: There is no change in the core area and based on the Site Management Plan, now commissioned by ASI which is nearing completion and is under discussion. Hence the exact details shall be submitted after the SMP is accepted.

Map(s)

Reason for update: The updated maps shall be submitted separately.

6.11 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to the Assessment of the Periodic Reporting exercise

No comments