

## Periodic Report - Second Cycle

### 1. World Heritage Property Data

#### 1.1 - Name of World Heritage Property

Sinharaja Forest Reserve

#### 1.2 - World Heritage Property Details

##### State(s) Party(ies)

• Sri Lanka

##### Type of Property

natural

##### Identification Number

405

##### Year of inscription on the World Heritage List

1988


##### Comment

Spelling of ward Naturel be corrected as Natural under type of property

#### 1.3 - Geographic Information Table

Name	Coordinates	Property (ha)	Buffer zone (ha)	Total (ha)	Inscription year
Sinharaja Forest Reserve	6.417 / 80.5	8564	0	8564	1988
Total (ha)		8564	0	8564	

#### 1.4 - Map(s)

Title	Date	Link to source
Sinharaja Forest Reserve	22/07/1986	

#### 1.5 - Governmental Institution Responsible for the Property

##### Comment

Forest Department Rajamalwatta Road Battaramulla Sri Lanka 0094-11-2866624 mahindasenevi@gmail.com

#### 1.6 - Property Manager / Coordinator, Local Institution / Agency

• S.C. Palamakumbura  
Department Of Conservation of Forest

##### Comment

1. "Department of Conservation of Forest" be corrected as "Forest Department" 2. Property Manager's name to be replaced by his designation titled "Divisional Forest Officer" 3. "District Forest Office" to be corrected as "Divisional Forest Office" 4. Telephone number to be corrected as 0094-452222499 5. Fax number to be corrected as 0094-452222499

#### 1.7 - Web Address of the Property (if existing)

1. [1001wonders.org](http://1001wonders.org) : visit this site in panophotographies - 360 x 180 degree images
2. [Natural site datasheet from WCMC](#)

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

Biosphere Reserve

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### 2. Statement of Outstanding Universal Value

#### 2.1 - Statement of Outstanding Universal Value / Statement of Significance

##### Comment

The retrospective SOUV was submitted to World Heritage Center by 1st February 2011 and it is under review by Advisory Body.

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

(ix)(x)

#### 2.3 - Attributes expressing the Outstanding Universal Value per criterion

(ix) Sinharaja is the last remaining relatively undisturbed tropical humid evergreen forest in Sri Lanka. Sinharaja flora is a relic of Gondwanaland and very important to peoples' scientific understanding of continental drift. (x) Of Sri Lanka's 830 endemic species, 217 trees and woody climbers are found in the lowland wet zone. Of these, 139 (64%) have been recorded in Sinharaja. Endemism is high in fauna, particularly for birds with 19(95%) of 20 species endemic to Sri Lanka present.

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

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

### 3. Factors Affecting the Property

#### 3.14. Other factor(s)

##### 3.14.1 - Other factor(s)

## 3.15. Factors Summary Table

## 3.15.1 - Factors summary table

	Name	Impact	Origin
<b>3.1</b>	<b>Buildings and Development</b>		
3.1.5 Interpretative and visitation facilities			
<b>3.4</b>	<b>Pollution</b>		
3.4.5 Solid waste			
<b>3.5</b>	<b>Biological resource use/modification</b>		
3.5.7 Subsistence wild plant collection			
<b>3.8</b>	<b>Social/cultural uses of heritage</b>		
3.8.6 Impacts of tourism / visitor / recreation			
<b>3.12</b>	<b>Invasive/alien species or hyper-abundant species</b>		
3.12.1 Translocated species			
<b>3.13</b>	<b>Management and institutional factors</b>		
3.13.1 Low impact research / monitoring activities			
3.13.3 Management activities			
<b>Legend</b>	Current	Potential	Negative  Positive  Inside  Outside

## 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					
3.1.5	Interpretative and visitation facilities	restricted	one off or rare	insignificant	medium capacity	static
3.4	Pollution					
3.4.5	Solid waste					
3.5	Biological resource use/modification					
3.5.7	Subsistence wild plant collection					
3.8	Social/cultural uses of heritage					
3.8.6	Impacts of tourism / visitor / recreation	restricted	one off or rare	insignificant	medium capacity	increasing
3.12	Invasive/alien species or hyper-abundant species					
3.12.1	Translocated species	restricted	one off or rare	minor	medium capacity	increasing

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

#### 3.17.1 - Comments

1. Visitation to be controlled to reduce the potential negative impacts  
2. Invasive species to be eradicated

### 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

The peripheral natural forests situated along the majority of the boundary of this property were declared as conservation or reserve forests under the Forest Ordinance (National level legal document) and these forests act as the buffer zone of the property. The remaining area of the boundary is surrounded by the villages. However, the actual extent for the buffer zone is not yet defined.

#### 4.2. Protective Measures

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

The most relevant laws include the 'Forest Ordinance' of 1917 which is currently "under amendment"; the 'Fauna & Flora Protection Ordinance' (1937); and the 'National Heritage

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Wilderness Areas Act' (1998) with special powers for World Heritage protection.

### Comment

The most relevant laws include the 'Forest Ordinance' (1907) and the 'National Heritage Wilderness Areas Act' (1988) in addition to the World Heritage Convention.

#### 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?

An **adequate** legal framework exists for the area surrounding the World Heritage property and the buffer zone, but **there are some deficiencies in its implementation** which undermine the maintenance of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and / or Integrity of the property

#### 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 additional comments

### 4.3. Management System / Management Plan

#### 4.3.1 - Management System

### Comment

Under the national forest policy of Sri Lanka and the UNESCO world heritage criteria no ix & x, Sinharaja forest reserve is being managed to conserve for posterity, with particular regard to biodiversity, soils, water, historical, cultural, religious and aesthetic values. To accomplish these goals, three Divisional Forest Officers with their field staff manage the property under the guidance of Senior Deputy Conservator of Forests (Environmental Management) at the Forest Department head office

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### 4.3.2 - Management Documents

#### Comment

A comprehensive Management plan was formulated for a five year period for the property in 1993 and it was implemented from 1993 to 1998. However, most of the activities implemented after 1998 were just continuation of the activities identified in this plan. Then a new management plan was formulated in 2009 to manage this property in sustainable way considering its significance.

### 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 being **fully** implemented and monitored

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

An annual work / action plan exists and **many 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	Fair
Local / Municipal authorities	Poor
Indigenous peoples	Not applicable
Landowners	Fair
Visitors	Fair
Researchers	Good
Tourism industry	Fair
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?

**No indigenous peoples** are resident in or regularly using the World Heritage property and / or buffer zone

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### 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 **little or no 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 additional 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


No significant changes

## 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)

Multilateral funding (GEF, World Bank, etc)	7%
International donations (NGO's, foundations, etc)	
Governmental (National / Federal)	93%
Governmental (Regional / Provincial / State)	
Governmental (Local / Municipal)	
In country donations (NGO's, foundations, etc)	
Individual visitor charges (e.g. entry, parking, camping fees, etc.)	
Commercial operator payments (e.g. filming permit, concessions, etc.)	
Other grants	

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

Title	Year	Amount	Link to source
Financial support to a regional training workshop on the ecology and conservation of tropical humid forests of the Indo-Malayan realm (Sinharaja, 17 February-07 March 1987)	1986	20000.00	
Total		20000	

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

The available budget is **inadequate** for basic management needs and presents a serious constraint to the capacity to manage

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

Existing sources of funding are **not secure**

### 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

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

There are **some** equipment and facilities but overall these are **inadequate**

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

There is **basic** maintenance of equipment and facilities

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

No additional comments

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

Full-time	90%
Part-time	10%

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

Permanent	90%
Seasonal	10%

### 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

Research and monitoring	Good
Promotion	Fair
Community outreach	Fair
Interpretation	Fair
Education	Fair
Visitor management	Fair
Conservation	Good
Administration	Fair
Risk preparedness	Fair
Tourism	Fair
Enforcement (custodians, police)	Fair

### 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	Low
Interpretation	Low
Education	Medium
Visitor management	Medium

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Conservation	High
Administration	High
Risk preparedness	Low
Tourism	Medium
Enforcement (custodians, police)	Medium

### 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 in place and **partially implemented**; some technical skills are being transferred to those managing the property locally **but most of the technical work is carried out by external staff**

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

No additional 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** for most key areas **but there are gaps**

### 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 **considerable** research but it is **not directed** towards 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 participants and some national 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

[www.ctfs.si.edu/site/Sinharaja](http://www.ctfs.si.edu/site/Sinharaja)  
[www.ctfs.si.edu/site/17/abundance](http://www.ctfs.si.edu/site/17/abundance)  
[www.sinharaja.4t.com/pages/education\\_and\\_research.htm](http://www.sinharaja.4t.com/pages/education_and_research.htm)  
[www.huh.harvard.edu/ctfs/ctfs/sinharaja.htm](http://www.huh.harvard.edu/ctfs/ctfs/sinharaja.htm)  
[thakshana.nsf.ac.lk/pdf/JNSF26-34/JNSF31.../JNSF%2031\\_1&2\\_57.pdf](http://thakshana.nsf.ac.lk/pdf/JNSF26-34/JNSF31.../JNSF%2031_1&2_57.pdf)  
[www.fogsl.net/publication/bird-flocks-of-sinharaja-737.htm](http://www.fogsl.net/publication/bird-flocks-of-sinharaja-737.htm)

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

Being a world heritage, Sinharaja can be a centre for environmental education with its higher level of biodiversity, varieties of topography, watershed properties and interactions between forests and adjoining communities. There is an immense scope and potential to develop Sinharaja as a centre for environmental education.



## 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, but not 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	Not applicable
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 **planned and effective** education and awareness programme that contributes to the protection of the World Heritage property

### 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	Poor
Information booths	Adequate
Guided tours	Adequate
Trails / routes	Adequate
Information materials	Adequate
Transportation facilities	Adequate
Other	Not needed

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

Educating school children and general public who visit the forest is the main mode of environment education in Sinharaja. Visitors are given brief presentations about Sinharajah and its importance by the Forest Department staff. In addition, there are specimens, books, leaflets and brochures for reference.

## 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
Accommodation establishments

### 4.7.3 - Visitor management documents

#### Comment

Visitor management information such as visitor category and number, facilities to be improved for them in the property is included in the current management plan

### 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?

Visitor use of the World Heritage property is managed **but improvements could be made**

### 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

No additional comments

## 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 considerable monitoring but it is **not directed towards management needs** and / or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value

#### 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	Excellent
Local / Municipal authorities	Not applicable
Local communities	Average
Researchers	Excellent
NGOs	Average
Industry	Not applicable
Local indigenous peoples	Not applicable

#### 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

The committee recommended NORAD to provide 500,000 USD to implement Sinharaja Management plan in 1993.

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

No additional 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
<b>3.1</b>	<b>Buildings and Development</b>						
<b>3.1.5</b>	<b>Interpretative and visitation facilities</b>	World heritage criteria are not negatively affected at present. But it may affect them if these facilities are not managed properly.	Improve interpretation service with the help of other partners. Maintain visitor facilities with utmost care.	Monitoring of visitor activities with the help of the Forest Department Staff continuously. Biannual review of interpretation service. Periodic visitor surveys.	Completed before July 2012.	Forest Department	No additional comments
<b>3.8</b>	<b>Social/cultural uses of heritage</b>						
<b>3.8.6</b>	<b>Impacts of tourism / visitor / recreation</b>	At present criteria number ix and x are not affected by the tourism and visitation. However, over visitation may affect negatively.	Encourage responsible tourism. Motivate visitors to follow ethics of responsible tourism.	Continuous observation of visitor behaviour. Periodic visitor surveys.	July 2012	Forest Department	No additional comments
<b>3.12</b>	<b>Invasive/alien species or hyper-abundant species</b>						
<b>3.12.1</b>	<b>Translocated species</b>	World heritage criteria number ix and x will be affected if invasive species continue to spread in the property.	Programme to remove invasive species from the property.	Species composition surveys.	July 2012	Forest Department	No additional comments

### 5.2. Summary - Management Needs

#### 5.2.2 - Summary - Management Needs

4.3 Management System / Management Plan					
		Actions	Timeframe	Lead agency (and others involved)	More info / comment
4.3.10	There is little or no cooperation with industry regarding management	Establish a coordinating committee with the relevant stakeholders for management.	July 2012	Forest Department is the lead agency. Divisional Secretariate, Local Governmet Institutions, Universities and Local CBO.	No additional comments
4.4 Financial and Human Resources					
4.4.3	The budget is inadequate for management needs	Request funds from Government and International Organizations.	July 2012.	Forest Department is the Lead Agency. Ministry of Environment.	No additional comments
4.4.4	Existing sources of funding are not secure	Convince Ministry of Finance to allocate adequate funds for management.	October 2011	Forest Department, Ministry of Environment, Ministry of Finance.	No additional comments
4.4.6	Inadequate equipment and facilities	Procure equipments and develop facilities.	December 2012.	Forest Department. Ministry of Environment.	No additional comments
4.7 Visitor Management					
4.7.6	Fees collected makes no contribution to the management of the property	Convince Ministry of Finance about the necessity of a trust fund for Sinharaja.	December 2011	Ministry of Environment.	Government do not allowe Government agencies to form trust funds.



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### 5.3. Conclusions on the State of Conservation of the Property

#### 5.3.1 - Current state of Authenticity

**Not applicable** (for sites inscribed exclusively under criteria vii to x)

#### 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

It is protected under National Heritage Wilderness Area act

## 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	No impact
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	Positive
Other (please specify)	Not applicable

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

No additional 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

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

yes

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

No suggestions

### 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	Fair

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

**Most** of the 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
Managing the property to maintain the Outstanding Universal Value
Monitoring and reporting
Management effectiveness

### 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 SOUV was submitted to World Heritage Center by 1st February 2011 and it is under review by Advisory Body.

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

no comments