

1. World Heritage Property Data

1.1 - Name of World Heritage Property

Keoladeo National Park

1.2 - World Heritage Property Details

State(s) Party(ies)

- India

Type of Property

natural

Identification Number

340

Year of inscription on the World Heritage List

1985

Comment

The spelling of 'natural' may be corrected under 'type of property'


1.3 - Geographic Information Table

| Name | Coordinates | Property (ha) | Buffer zone (ha) | Total (ha) | Inscription year |
|------------------------|-----------------|---------------|------------------|-------------|------------------|
| Keoladeo National Park | 27.159 / 77.509 | 2873 | 0 | 2873 | 1985 |
| Total (ha) | | 2873 | 0 | 2873 | |

Comment

The coordinates may be expanded as below
 27Degree07Minutes06SecondsN -
 27Degree12Minutes02SecondsN and
 77Degree29Minutes05SecondsE - 77Degree33Minutes
 09Seconds E

1.4 - Map(s)

| Title | Date | Link to source |
|---|------------|---|
| Map of Keoladeo National Park Bharatpur | 18/04/1984 |  |

Comment

A new map has been sent to a.borchi@unesco.org

1.5 - Governmental Institution Responsible for the Property

Comment

Rajasthan Forest Department

1.6 - Property Manager / Coordinator, Local Institution / Agency

- Shri Anoop KR
 Keoladeo National Park, Bharatpur
 Dy. Chief Wildlife Warden & Director

1.7 - Web Address of the Property (if existing)

1. 1001wonders.org : visit this site in [panophotographies - 360 x 180 degree images](#)
2. [The official Website of Ministry of Tourism](#)
3. [Natural site datasheet from WCMC](#)

Comment

www.knpwhs.org

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

Ramsar Convention

Comment

Declared as National Park under Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 Inscribed in list of Ramsar Wetlands on 1.10.1981 (site no.230)

2. Statement of Outstanding Universal Value

2.1 - Statement of Outstanding Universal Value / Statement of Significance

Comment

The Draft SOUV has been submitted to be UNESCO World Heritage Center by the State Party on 31 March, 2011 and is under consideration.

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

(x)

2.3 - Attributes expressing the Outstanding Universal Value per criterion

Please refer to draft SOUV

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 |
|---|---|-----------|----------|----------|--------|---------|
| 3.1 | Buildings and Development | | | | | |
| 3.1.4 Major visitor accommodation and associated infrastructure | | | | | | |
| 3.3 | Services Infrastructures | | | | | |
| 3.3.1 Water infrastructure | | | | | | |
| 3.3.2 Renewable energy facilities | | | | | | |
| 3.4 | Pollution | | | | | |
| 3.4.5 Solid waste | | | | | | |
| 3.6 | Physical resource extraction | | | | | |
| 3.6.4 Water (extraction) | | | | | | |
| 3.7 | Local conditions affecting physical fabric | | | | | |
| 3.7.6 Water (rain/water table) | | | | | | |
| 3.10 | Climate change and severe weather events | | | | | |
| 3.10.3 Drought | | | | | | |
| 3.12 | Invasive/alien species or hyper-abundant species | | | | | |
| 3.12.1 Translocated species | | | | | | |
| 3.12.2 Invasive/alien terrestrial species | | | | | | |
| 3.12.3 Invasive / alien freshwater species | | | | | | |
| 3.13 | Management and institutional factors | | | | | |
| 3.13.1 Low impact research / monitoring activities | | | | | | |
| 3.13.3 Management activities | | | | | | |
| Legend | 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 |
|--|---------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------------|------------|
| 3.3 Services Infrastructures | | | | | |
| 3.3.1 Water infrastructure | widespread | on-going | significant | medium capacity | increasing |
| 3.4 Pollution | | | | | |
| 3.4.5 Solid waste | restricted | one off or rare | insignificant | medium capacity | static |
| 3.6 Physical resource extraction | | | | | |
| 3.6.4 Water (extraction) | widespread | on-going | significant | medium capacity | increasing |
| 3.7 Local conditions affecting physical fabric | | | | | |
| 3.7.6 Water (rain/water table) | widespread | on-going | significant | medium capacity | increasing |
| 3.10 Climate change and severe weather events | | | | | |
| 3.10.3 Drought | extensive | on-going | significant | medium capacity | increasing |
| 3.12 Invasive/alien species or hyper-abundant species | | | | | |
| 3.12.1 Translocated species | widespread | on-going | significant | medium capacity | increasing |
| 3.12.2 Invasive/alien terrestrial species | extensive | on-going | significant | medium capacity | increasing |
| 3.12.3 Invasive / alien freshwater species | extensive | on-going | significant | medium capacity | increasing |

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

3.17.1 - Comments

The quantum as well as timely availability of water is very critical for this property. The State Party, State Forest Department and Park Management are making efforts to find a permanent solution to this issue.

4. Protection, Management and Monitoring of the Property

4.1. Boundaries and Buffer Zones

4.1.1 - Buffer zone status

There is **no buffer zone**, and it is not needed

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 property had **no buffer zone** at the time of its inscription on the World Heritage List

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 property had **no buffer zone** at the time of its inscription on the World Heritage List

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

The property is a protected wetland located in the central Asian migratory flyway.27 satellite wetlands have been identified around the property that support a good number of avifauna and act as buffer wetlands. Conservation initiatives and scientific monitoring have already been started in these wetlands.

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 **excellent** capacity / resources to enforce legislation and / or regulation in the World Heritage property

4.2.6 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to protective measures

The law of the land protecting the property is Wildlife Protection Act,1972, which is applicable to all forms of wildlife found within as well as outside the property.The avifauna of satellite wetlands are also protected by the same legislation but this Act does not offer protection to the habitat of non-protected satellite wetlands

4.3. Management System / Management Plan

4.3.1 - Management System

In the current management plan (2002-2006), "emphasis has been laid on research and monitoring so that continuity of information is maintained and management interventions are better targeted."


Comment

The updated management plan (2010-14) has been prepared giving special emphasis to solving the water crisis,eco-development, protecting and improving the habitat for waterfowl and enhancing interpretation facilities to improve visitor satisfaction. Research and monitoring has been given adequate importance as in previous plans. There has been more stress on ecologically sound tourism management in the new management plan.

4.3.2 - Management Documents

| Title | Status | Available | Date | Link to source |
|-------|--------|-----------|------|----------------|
| | | | | |

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| | | | | |
|--|-----|-----------|------------|---|
| Keoladeo National Park: Management Plan (19)91-92 to (19)95-96 | N/A | Available | 01/00/1991 |  |
|--|-----|-----------|------------|---|

Comment

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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 **most or all activities** are being implemented and monitored

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 | Good |
| Indigenous peoples | Fair |
| Landowners | Fair |
| Visitors | Fair |
| Researchers | Good |
| Tourism industry | Fair |
| Industry | Fair |

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 directly contribute to **some decisions** relating to management but their involvement could be improved

4.3.10 - Is there cooperation with industry (i.e. forestry, mining, agriculture, etc.) regarding the management of the World Heritage property, buffer

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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

The major drawback in the previous management plans was the lack of involvement of local people in management. In order to increase the role of local communities in the management of the property, eco-development programmes have been initiated in the surrounding villages as per the suggestions of the management plan. Habitat improvement operations are now being executed through the eco-development committees constituted in the surrounding village

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


The legal status of the property has remained the same since its inscription in the world heritage list.

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) | 0% |
| International donations (NGO's, foundations, etc) | 3% |
| Governmental (National / Federal) | 75% |
| Governmental (Regional / Provincial / State) | 20% |
| Governmental (Local / Municipal) | 0% |
| In country donations (NGO's, foundations, etc) | 2% |
| 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 |
|---|------|----------|---|
| N, Keoladeo - cours habitat des zones humides | 1996 | 30000.00 |  |
| Total | | 30000 | |

Comment

Assistance from the project : Building Partnerships to support UNESCO's World Heritage Programme: India 2008-09 - \$15,000 2009-10 - \$15,000 2010-11 - \$15,000

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

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

The existing sources of funding are **secure** in the medium-term and planning is underway to secure funding in the long-term

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 **adequate** equipment and facilities

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

Equipment and facilities are **well maintained**

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

Funds are not a constraint for this property. Though the financial year starts from April, the allotted funds are released only in the month of September every year. This makes the activities to be concentrated in seven months only every year.

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

| | |
|-----------|------|
| Full-time | 100% |
| Part-time | 0% |

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

| | |
|-----------|------|
| Permanent | 100% |
| Seasonal | 0% |

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?

Human resources are **adequate** for management needs

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 | Fair |
| Promotion | Fair |
| Community outreach | Poor |
| Interpretation | Good |
| Education | Good |
| Visitor management | Good |
| Conservation | Fair |
| Administration | Fair |
| Risk preparedness | Fair |
| Tourism | Good |

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| | |
|----------------------------------|------|
| Enforcement (custodians, police) | Good |
|----------------------------------|------|

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 | High |
| Promotion | Low |
| Community outreach | Medium |
| Interpretation | High |
| Education | High |
| Visitor management | Medium |
| Conservation | High |
| Administration | Medium |
| Risk preparedness | Medium |
| 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

The property has a good human resource base. However basic upgradation of skills is required periodically.

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 **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

The complete list of publications is available in the website of the property www.knpwhs.org

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

There is a need to focus the research on management related issues. Presently research works are mostly for academic purposes.

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 | Excellent |
| Local Indigenous peoples | Poor |
| Local landowners | Poor |
| Visitors | Average |
| Tourism industry | Excellent |
| 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 education and awareness programme but it only **partly meets the needs** and could be improved

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 | Excellent |
| Site museum | Adequate |
| Information booths | Excellent |
| Guided tours | Excellent |
| Trails / routes | Excellent |
| Information materials | Excellent |
| Transportation facilities | Excellent |
| Other | Adequate |

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

The education, information and awareness building activities are very good in the property. There are a variety of information brochures and signage available to the visitors all along the trails and resting places

4.7. Visitor Management

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

| | |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| Last year | Decreasing |
| Two years ago | Major Increase (100%+) |
| Three years ago | Static |
| Four years ago | Static |
| Five years ago | Minor Increase |

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

| |
|------------------------------|
| Entry tickets and registries |
| Transportation services |

4.7.3 - Visitor management documents

Comment

The management plan for the period 2010-14 describes the visitor management system in place.

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 **effectively managed** and does not impact its Outstanding Universal Value

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

There is a portion of the entry fee collected yearmarked for ploughing back to the management activities. But this money has not been released for the management so far. Efforts are on from the property administration to get the money collected as entry fee

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 **comprehensive, integrated programme** of monitoring, which is relevant to 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 | Poor |
| Local communities | Excellent |
| Researchers | Average |
| NGOs | Average |
| Industry | Non-existent |
| Local indigenous peoples | Non-existent |

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

Implementation is **underway**

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

The recommendation from to ensure adequate supply of water is being implemented as two major projects to bring water are nearing completion at the site and a permanent solution to the water crisis will soon be achieved. The recommendation regarding control of invasive alien species and involvement of local communities in management has been achieved as described in the state of conservation report

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

A well planned monitoring programme has been operational and described in detail in the management plan for the period 2010-14.

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 |
|--|---|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|--|
| 3.3 Services Infrastructures | | | | | | |
| 3.3.1 | Water infrastructure | Development of water augmenting mechanisms. | Bring water through pipelines. | Progress of construction work of pipeline. | 1 year. | Rajasthan Public Health Engineering Department (PHED). This is a very important project of bringing water through pipeline and its timely completion will go a long way in addressing water availability in the property. |
| 3.6 Physical resource extraction | | | | | | |
| 3.6.4 | Water (extraction) | Quantum of water released to the park. | Cooperation with PHED. | Quantum of water made available. | 1 year | Park Management This is a very crucial requirement for the park. |
| 3.7 Local conditions affecting physical fabric | | | | | | |
| 3.7.6 | Water (rain/water table) | Availability of water for use by avifauna. | Cooperation with PHED. | Measuring water depth at different locations especially Ajan Bund. | Annually. | Park Management. None |
| 3.10 Climate change and severe weather events | | | | | | |
| 3.10.3 | Drought | Assessment of water availability. | Harnessing all available artificial water resources. | Measuring water depth at different locations especially Ajan Bund. | Annually. | Park Management None |
| 3.12 Invasive/alien species or hyper-abundant species | | | | | | |
| 3.12.1 | Translocated species | Assessment of feral cattle. | Reduction in number of feral cattle. | Number of feral cattle in different blocks of the park. | Annually. | Park Management None. |
| 3.12.2 | Invasive/alien terrestrial species | Physical removal of Prosopis Juliflora. | Physical removal of Prosopis Juliflora from each block of the park. | Quantum of Prosopis Juliflora removed from each block of the park. | Annually. | Park Management & Ecodevelopment Committees. None. |

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 | The only industry near the property is the hotel industry who benefit maximum from the property by way of tourism. A green cess should be levied from hotels within 500m distance and the money should be utilized for the maintenance of the property | Five years | Government of Rajasthan | None. | |
| 4.7 Visitor Management | | | | | | |
| 4.7.6 | Fees collected makes no contribution to the management of the property | The efforts are on for ploughing the visitor fee back to the property. There are some positive signs in this regard | 2 years | Government of Rajasthan | None. | |

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

Due to erratic rainfall there had been some degradation in the values of the property. But waking to the situation, the Government of India and state of Rajasthan have implemented projects to ensure water security for the park. The highly resilient marshes of Bharatpur recovered so quickly from the few years of continuous drought and in 2008 the birds arrived in larger numbers than ever.

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 | No impact |
| Quality of life for local communities and indigenous peoples | No impact |
| Recognition | Very positive |
| Education | Positive |
| Infrastructure development | Very positive |
| Funding for the property | Very positive |
| International cooperation | Very positive |
| Political support for conservation | Positive |
| Legal / Policy framework | No impact |
| Lobbying | Positive |
| Institutional coordination | Positive |
| Security | Positive |
| Other (please specify) | Not applicable |

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

The world heritage status has brought so much fame and recognition to this property and the entire city of Bharatpur has

evolved to a lifestyle connected to the park in one way or the other.

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 |
| External experts |

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

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

| | |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| UNESCO | Very good |
| State Party Representative | Very good |
| Advisory Body | Fair |

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 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 | Excellent |
| 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**

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- **Geographic Information Table**

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• **Map(s)**

Reason for update: A new map has been sent to
a.borchi@unesco.org

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