

WHV - Temple and Cemetery of Confucius and the Kong Family Mansion in Qufu

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Located in Qufu City, the birthplace of renowned and revered philosopher, politician and educator Confucius, the Temple of Confucius was first built in 478 BC. Destroyed and reconstructed over the centuries, it now covers 14 hectares, with 104 buildings and over 1,250 ancient trees. It is the prototype and model for all Confucius temples in East Asia and Southeast Asia, particularly in terms of layout and style.

Project objectives:

The project, organized for the sixth time at this site, aims at raising awareness about the preservation of Confucius birthplace and the importance of the Chinese traditional culture it symbolizes. The activities target in particular the local residents, national volunteers, and the numerous tourists visiting the property.

Project activities:

The volunteers will perform manual work at the site to improve its environment, cutting the grass and trimming the tree branches around the inscribed monuments and cleaning and painting some of the damaged parts. They will also survey and sensitize the tourists about Confucius philosophy and the site's importance.

Partners:

Qufu City Cultural Relics Bureau, The Confucius Culture Education and Training Center in Qufu. .

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