

## WHV – Let's Heritage

### Historic City of Ahmadabad, India

Cultural property inscribed on the  
World Heritage List in 2017

01/12/2019 – 10/12/2019



The walled city of Ahmadabad, founded by Sultan Ahmad Shah in the fifteenth century, lies on the eastern bank of the Sabarmati River. It presents rich architectural heritage from the sultanate period, notably the Bhadra citadel, the walls and gates of the Fort city and numerous mosques and tombs, as well as important Hindu and Jain temples of later periods. The urban fabric is made up of densely packed traditional houses (*pol*s) in gated traditional streets (*pur*as) with characteristic features such as bird feeders, public wells and religious institutions. The city has continued to flourish as the capital of the State of Gujarat for the last six centuries up to the present day.

#### Project objectives:

The project is part of a nationwide, four-site campaign extending the outreach of the first 'Let's Heritage' project, implemented in 2017 by the Elixir Foundation at Rani-ki-Vav. Running for the second year in Ahmadabad, it aims to promote heritage preservation among youth and local communities, documenting and spreading examples of active participation, stimulating a sense of responsibility and connecting international and local people with the site management and conservation authorities.

#### Project activities:

The volunteers will organize and participate in different awareness raising actions, from a heritage walk to classes, quizzes, treasure hunts and art performances with local youth, school students and community representatives. They will also organize painting and photo contests, and promote the site and youth involvement in heritage protection across different social media channels.

#### Partners:

Government of Gujarat, Archaeological Survey of India, Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation, Gujarat Tourism, infoAnalytica, Ahmedabad Global Shapers Community, Asian Granito India Ltd, HeyHi Foundation, Amdavad Rockets, The Learning Studio.

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