



*Culture, Tourism & Antiquities Department  
Government of Sindh (Pakistan)*

**STATE OF CONSERVATION REPORT  
HISTORICAL MONUMENTS AT MAKLI, THATTA (PAKISTAN) (C 143)  
DECISION: 43 COM 7B.73**

*In compliance with Paragraph 169 of the Operational Guidelines  
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## Foreword

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The Directorate of Antiquities and Archaeology, Government of Sindh, wishes to thank the World Heritage Committee and ICOMOS for their support and very useful technical support in recommending and guiding us for implementing the remaining and additional recommendations at the Historical Monuments at Makli, Thatta. Following to the decision of WHC at the 43<sup>rd</sup> Session at Baku, Azerbaijan, vide 43 COM 7B.73, we take this opportunity to report that the State Party is making progress on all the recommendations suggested.

The following State of Conservation Report presents the progress on (a) the implementation of Master Plan for establishing a proper and comprehensive Management Plan, (b) improving and formalizing the management structure for the property, (c) establishing a clear protocol for prioritizing of interventions and developing a risk preparedness strategy, (d) coordination of international and external cooperation and associated fundraising, (e) developing an Action Plan with a clear timeline and resources for the stabilization and conservation of the tomb of Jam Nizamuddin II, (f) establishing a secure storage facility for the most important displaced architectural elements and urgently implementing a clear documentation system and protocol, (g) establishing a systematic monitoring system for all principal monuments that includes close inspection of fragile components and recording of any noted changes, (h) completion of boundary wall construction.

We would like to also state that the Directorate is focusing to improve the overall visitor experience as well as providing the additional facilities for the visitors. As a top priority, the Directorate has developed an Annual Development Scheme for the stabilization and conservation of the tomb of Jam Nizamuddin II for which the GPR study has also been completed.

As many of the interventions are in progress, the Directorate of Antiquities and Archaeology submits that a revised State of Conservation Report (as an addition to this report) may kindly be accepted by 15<sup>th</sup> of April, 2020 wherein we would be able to show our continuing progress on the stated recommendations.

Thank you and we look forward to the continued cooperation, support and engagement with the WHC and ICOMOS for the Historical Monuments of Makli, Thatta.