

## WHV – Let's Heritage

# Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus (formerly Victoria Terminus), India

Cultural property inscribed on the World Heritage List since 2004

17/12/2022 – 26/12/2022



The Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus, formerly known as Victoria Terminus Station, in Mumbai, is an outstanding example of Victorian Gothic Revival architecture in India, blended with themes deriving from Indian traditional architecture. The building, became the symbol of Bombay as the 'Gothic City' and the major international mercantile port of India. It is an outstanding example of the meeting of two cultures, as British architects worked with Indian craftsmen to include Indian architectural tradition and idioms thus forging a new style unique to Bombay.

### Project objectives:

The project is part of a nationwide, four-sites campaign extending the outreach of the first 'Let's Heritage' program, implemented in 2017 by the Elixir Foundation at Rani-ki-Vav. Running for the fourth year at Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus, it aims at promoting 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 take part 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 cleanup, painting and photo contexts and promote the site and youth involvement in heritage protection across different social media.

### Partners:

UNESCO New Delhi Cluster Office, Indian National Commission for Cooperation with UNESCO, Archeological Survey of India, Government of Maharashtra, Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai, Kamla Raheja Vidyaniidhi Institute of Architecture and Environmental Studies, Maharashtra Tourism, Ministry of Railways, Meri Sanskriti Cultural Center.

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