

Meidan Emam, Esfahan

1. World Heritage Property Data

1.1 - Name of World Heritage property

Meidan Emam, Esfahan

1.2 - World Heritage property details

1.3 - Geographic information table

| Name | Coordinates | Property (ha) | Buffer zone (ha) | Total (ha) | Inscription year |
|----------------------|-----------------|---------------|------------------|------------|------------------|
| Meidan Emam, Esfahan | 32.657 / 51.678 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1979 |
| Total (ha) | | | 0 | | |

Comment

property (ha) : 13 Buffer zone (ha) : 57

1.4 - Map(s)

Comment

The map of Meidan Emam, Esfahan in 2018 has been sent to the World Heritage Committee but, the map is not presented here.

1.5 - Web and Social Media data of the property (if applicable)

1. [Isfahan Home Page](#)

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<http://www.isfahanwhs.ir> http://www.instagram.com/naghshejahan_sq

2. Other Conventions/Programmes under which the World Heritage property is protected (if applicable)

2.1 - Records indicate that your World Heritage property (in whole or in part) is designated and/or protected under the Conventions/programmes shown in the prefilled table below. Please check and amend as necessary.

| | | The World Heritage property (in whole or in part) <u>is</u> designated and/or protected under this convention/programme | The World Heritage property (in whole or in part) <u>is not</u> designated and/or protected under this convention/programme |
|-------|---|---|---|
| 2.1.1 | International Register of Cultural Property under Special Protection (1954 Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict) | | × |
| 2.1.2 | List of Cultural Property under Enhanced Protection (Second Protocol to the 1954 Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict) | | × |
| 2.1.3 | The List of Wetlands of International Importance (The Ramsar List) (Convention on Wetlands of International Importance (Ramsar Convention)) | | × |
| 2.1.4 | World Network of Biosphere Reserves Man and the Biosphere (MAB) Programme | | × |
| 2.1.5 | Global Geoparks Network UNESCO Global Geoparks | | × |

2.2 - Please provide comments on 2.1 if necessary

Iran as a whole is designated in the 1954 Hague Convention, However Imam Square WHS is not designated, individually

2.3 - Do your national authorities intend to request the granting of Enhanced Protection (if relevant) under the Second Protocol to the 1954 Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict for the World Heritage property in the next three years?

No

2.4 - Do your national authorities intend to designate whole or part of the World Heritage property for inclusion in the List of Wetlands of International Importance (The Ramsar List), if relevant, in the next three years?

No

2.5 - Do your national authorities intend to designate whole or part of the World Heritage property as a Man and Biosphere Reserve (if

relevant) in the next three years?

No

2.6 - Do your national authorities intend to apply for whole or part of World Heritage property to be designated as a UNESCO Global Geopark (if relevant) in the next three years?

No

2.7 - Please indicate the level of cooperation at property level between designations under different Conventions/Programmes

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| 2.7.1 | 1954 Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict | |
| 2.7.1 | There is no contact with the Focal Point(s) of this designation/programme. | ✕ |
| 2.7.2 | The World Heritage Site Manager occasionally communicates with the Focal Point(s) of this designation/programme. | |
| 2.7.3 | The World Heritage Site Manager regularly communicates with the Focal Point(s) of this designation/programme. | |
| 2.7.4 | The World Heritage Site Manager also manages this designation/programme. | |
| 2.7.2 | Second Protocol to the 1954 Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict | |
| 2.7.1 | There is no contact with the Focal Point(s) of this designation/programme. | ✕ |
| 2.7.2 | The World Heritage Site Manager occasionally communicates with the Focal Point(s) of this designation/programme. | |
| 2.7.3 | The World Heritage Site Manager regularly communicates with the Focal Point(s) of this designation/programme. | |
| 2.7.4 | The World Heritage Site Manager also manages this designation/programme. | |
| 2.7.3 | Convention on Wetlands of International Importance (Ramsar Convention) | |
| 2.7.1 | There is no contact with the Focal Point(s) of this designation/programme. | ✕ |
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| 2.7.4 | The World Heritage Site Manager also manages this designation/programme. | |
| 2.7.4 | Man and the Biosphere (MAB) Programme | |
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| 2.7.5 | UNESCO Global Geoparks | |
| 2.7.1 | There is no contact with the Focal Point(s) of this designation/programme. | ✕ |
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| 2.7.4 | The World Heritage Site Manager also manages this designation/programme. | |

2.8 - Please add any further comments on cooperation with the other designation(s)/programme(s)

2.9 - Are you aware of any elements associated with the World Heritage property that have been inscribed on the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage?

No

2.10 - Please list any elements associated with the World Heritage property inscribed under the Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of which you are aware

2.11 - Are you aware of any documentary heritage listed under the Memory of the World Programme associated with the World Heritage property?

No

2.12 - Please list any documentary heritage associated with the World Heritage property listed under the Memory of the World Programme of which you are aware.

3. Statement of Outstanding Universal Value

3.1 - Statement of Outstanding Universal Value for the property as adopted by the World Heritage Committee

Statement of Outstanding Universal Value

Brief Synthesis

The Meidan Emam is a public urban square in the centre of Esfahan, a city located on the main north-south and east-west routes crossing central Iran. It is one of the largest city squares in the world and an outstanding example of Iranian and Islamic architecture. Built by the Safavid shah Abbas I in the early 17th century, the square is bordered by two-storey arcades and anchored on each side by four magnificent buildings: to the east, the Sheikh Lotfollah Mosque; to the west, the pavilion of Ali Qapu; to the north, the portico of Qeyssariyeh; and to the south, the celebrated Royal Mosque. A homogenous urban ensemble built according to a unique, coherent, and harmonious plan, the Meidan Emam was the heart of the Safavid capital and is an exceptional urban realisation.

Also known as Naghsh-e Jahan ("Image of the World"), and formerly as Meidan-e Shah, Meidan Emam is not typical of urban ensembles in Iran, where cities are usually tightly laid out without sizeable open spaces. Esfahan's public square, by contrast, is immense: 560 m long by 160 m wide, it covers almost 9 ha. All of the architectural elements that delineate the square, including its arcades of shops, are aesthetically remarkable, adorned with a profusion of enamelled ceramic tiles and paintings.

Of particular interest is the Royal Mosque (Masjed-e Shah), located on the south side of the square and angled to face Mecca. It remains the most celebrated example of the colourful architecture which reached its high point in Iran under the Safavid dynasty (1501-1722; 1729-1736). The pavilion of Ali Qapu on the west side forms the monumental entrance to the palatial zone and to the royal gardens which extend behind it. Its apartments, high portal, and covered terrace (*tālār*) are renowned. The portico of Qeyssariyeh on the north side leads to the 2-km-long Esfahan Bazaar, and the Sheikh Lotfollah Mosque on the east side, built as a private mosque for the royal court, is today considered one of the masterpieces of Safavid architecture.

The Meidan Emam was at the heart of the Safavid capital's culture, economy, religion, social power, government, and politics. Its vast sandy esplanade was used for celebrations, promenades, and public executions, for playing polo and for assembling troops. The arcades on all sides of the square housed hundreds of shops; above the portico to the large Qeyssariyeh bazaar a balcony accommodated musicians giving public concerts; the *tālār* of Ali Qapu was connected from behind to the throne room, where the shah occasionally received ambassadors. In short, the royal square of Esfahan was the preeminent monument of Persian socio-cultural life during the Safavid dynasty.

Criterion (i): The Meidan Emam constitutes a homogenous urban ensemble, built over a short time span according to a unique, coherent, and harmonious plan. All the monuments facing the square are aesthetically remarkable. Of particular interest is the Royal Mosque, which is connected to the south side of the square by means of an immense, deep entrance portal with angled corners and topped with a half-dome, covered on its interior with enamelled faience mosaics. This portal, framed by two minarets, is extended to the south by a formal gateway hall (*īwan*) that leads at an angle to the courtyard, thereby connecting the mosque, which in keeping with tradition is oriented northeast/southwest (towards Mecca), to the square's ensemble, which is oriented north/south. The Royal Mosque of Esfahan remains the most famous example of the colourful architecture which reached its high point in Iran under the Safavid dynasty. The pavilion of Ali Qapu forms the monumental entrance to the palatial zone and to the royal gardens which extend behind it. Its apartments, completely decorated with paintings and largely open to the outside, are renowned. On the square is its high portal (48 metres) flanked by several storeys of rooms and surmounted by a terrace (*tālār*) shaded by a practical roof resting on 18 thin wooden columns. All of the architectural elements of the Meidan Imam, including the arcades, are adorned with a profusion of enamelled ceramic tiles and with paintings, where floral ornamentation is dominant – flowering trees, vases, bouquets, etc. – without prejudice to the figurative compositions in the style of Riza-i Abbasi, who was head of the school of painting at Esfahan during the reign of Shah Abbas and was celebrated both inside and outside Persia.

Criterion (v): The royal square of Esfahan is an exceptional urban realisation in Iran, where cities are usually tightly laid out without open spaces, except for the courtyards of the *caravanserais* (roadside inns). This is an example of a form of urban architecture that is inherently vulnerable.

Criterion (vi): The Meidan Imam was the heart of the Safavid capital. Its vast sandy esplanade was used for promenades, for assembling troops, for playing polo, for celebrations, and for public executions. The arcades on all sides housed shops; above the portico to the large Qeyssariyeh bazaar a balcony accommodated musicians giving public concerts; the *tālār* of Ali Qapu was connected from behind to the throne room, where the shah occasionally received ambassadors. In short, the royal square of Esfahan was the preeminent monument of Persian socio-cultural life during the Safavid dynasty (1501-1722; 1729-1736).

Integrity

Within the boundaries of the property are located all the elements and components necessary to express the Outstanding Universal Value of the property, including, among others, the public urban square and the two-storey arcades that delineate it, the Sheikh Lotfollah Mosque, the pavilion of Ali Qapu, the portico of Qeyssariyeh, and the Royal Mosque.

Threats to the integrity of the property include economic development, which is giving rise to pressures to allow the construction of multi-storey commercial and parking buildings in the historic centre within the buffer zone; road widening schemes, which threaten the boundaries of the property; the increasing number of tourists; and fire.

Authenticity

The historical monuments at Meidan Emam, Esfahan, are authentic in terms of their forms and design, materials and substance, locations and setting, and spirit. The surface of the public urban square, once covered with sand, is now paved with stone. A pond was placed at the centre of the square, lawns were installed in the 1990s, and two entrances were added to the northeastern and western ranges of the square. These and future renovations, undertaken by Cultural Heritage experts, nonetheless employ domestic knowledge and technology in the direction of maintaining the authenticity of the property.

Management and Protection requirements

Meidan Emam, Esfahan, which is public property, was registered in the national list of Iranian monuments as item no. 102 on 5 January 1932, in accordance with the *National Heritage Protection Law* (1930, updated 1998) and the *Iranian Law on the Conservation of National Monuments* (1982). Also registered individually are the Royal Mosque (Masjed-e Shah) (no. 107), Sheikh Lotfollah Mosque (no. 105), Ali Qapu pavilion (no. 104), and Qeyssariyeh portico (no. 103). The inscribed World Heritage property, which is owned by the Government of Iran, and its buffer zone are administered and supervised by the Iranian Cultural Heritage, Handicrafts and Tourism Organization (which is administered and funded by the Government of Iran), through its Esfahan office. The square enclosure belongs to the municipality; the bazaars around the square and the shops in the square's environs are owned by the Endowments Office. There is a comprehensive municipal plan, but no Management Plan for the property. Financial resources (which are recognised as being inadequate) are provided through national, provincial, and municipal budgets and private individuals.

Sustaining the Outstanding Universal Value of the property over time will require developing, approving, and implementing a Management Plan for the property, in consultation with all stakeholders, that defines a strategic vision for the property and its buffer zone, considers infrastructure needs, and sets out a process to assess and control major development projects, with the objective of ensuring that the property does not suffer from adverse effects of development.

3.2 - Please list the key attributes of Outstanding Universal Value of your property and give an assessment of their condition. As a guideline, it is suggested to focus on approximately five key attributes (no more than 15 overall).

| Brief identification of attribute | | Preserved | Compromised | Seriously compromised | Lost |
|-----------------------------------|--|-----------|-------------|-----------------------|------|
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| 3.2.1 | Magnificently planned urban design unite | × | | | |
| 3.2.2 | The plan integrate many masterpieces of architecture including 1-Royal Mosque 2-Sheikh Lotfollah Mosque 3-AliQapu Pavilion 4-Qeyssariyeh bazar entrance 5-The Bazar | × | | | |
| 3.2.3 | The vast open space of the plaza function as the local point of public live | | × | | |
| 3.2.4 | All individual building and the face of the plaza richly ornamented with decorative elements such as, Tile workings, mural painting, Plasterwork, pastiglia, stucco workings, geometrical designing decoration and so on. | × | | | |
| 3.2.5 | The function of the ring of Bazaar around the plaza characterized with handicraft both production / promotion and sellings are part of the key attributes of the site | × | | | |
| 3.2.6 | The internal visual property, the plaza, and its skyline, texture and color, and so on. | × | | | |
| 3.2.7 | The associated urban fabric located in the immediate Buffer Zone of plaza shape part of the key attribute the WHS. | | × | | |
| 3.2.8 | The modality of Imam square WHS not only as an urban pole but also as a tourist hob in both local and national scales and its social, cultural, economic interaction shape just another key attributes of the WHS | × | | | |
| 3.2.9 | | | | | |
| 3.2.10 | | | | | |
| 3.2.11 | | | | | |
| 3.2.12 | | | | | |
| 3.2.13 | | | | | |
| 3.2.14 | | | | | |
| 3.2.15 | | | | | |

3.3 - Comments, conclusions and/or recommendations related to Statement of Outstanding Universal Value

4. Factors Affecting the Property

4.1. Buildings and Development

4.1.1 - Housing

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Negative, Current, Potential, Outside

| | | |
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| Relevant | × | Not relevant |
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4.1.2 - Commercial development

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Positive, Negative, Current, Potential, Outside

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| Relevant | × | Not relevant |
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4.1.3 - Industrial areas

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | × | Not relevant |
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4.1.4 - Major visitor accommodation and associated infrastructure

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Positive, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

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| Relevant | × | Not relevant |
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4.1.5 - Interpretative and visitation facilities

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Positive, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

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| × | Relevant | Not relevant |
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| | Impact | | Origin | | Trend of impact | | |
|--------------|-----------|-------------|----------|-----------|-----------------|----------|--------------|
| Impact | 🔴 Current | 🟡 Potential | 🟢 Inside | 🟢 Outside | 📉 Decreasing | ➡ Stable | 📈 Increasing |
| 🟢 Positive × | × | × | × | × | | ➡ | |
| 🔴 Negative | | | | | | | |

4.1.6 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.1 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

Existence of signboards, audio guides, existence of tourist police stations, tourist guides, and brochures introducing the building and tourist map in historical monuments.

4.2. Transportation Infrastructure

4.2.1 - Ground transport infrastructure

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Positive, Current, Potential, Outside

| ✕ Relevant | | | Not relevant | | | | |
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| | Impact | | Origin | | Trend of impact | | |
| Impact | Current | Potential | Inside | Outside | Decreasing | Stable | Increasing |
| Positive ✕ | ✕ | ✕ | | ✕ | | | ↗ |
| Negative | | | | | | | |

4.2.2 - Underground transport infrastructure

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Positive, Current, Potential, Outside

| ✕ Relevant | | | Not relevant | | | | |
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| | Impact | | Origin | | Trend of impact | | |
| Impact | Current | Potential | Inside | Outside | Decreasing | Stable | Increasing |
| Positive ✕ | ✕ | ✕ | | ✕ | | | ↗ |
| Negative | | | | | | | |

4.2.3 - Air transport infrastructure

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

| ✕ Relevant | | | Not relevant | | | | |
|------------|---------|-----------|--------------|---------|-----------------|--------|------------|
| | Impact | | Origin | | Trend of impact | | |
| Impact | Current | Potential | Inside | Outside | Decreasing | Stable | Increasing |
| Positive ✕ | ✕ | ✕ | | ✕ | | → | |
| Negative | | | | | | | |

4.2.4 - Marine transport infrastructure

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Positive, Negative, Current, Potential, Outside

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| Relevant | | | ✕ Not relevant | | | | |
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4.2.5 - Effects arising from use of transportation infrastructure

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Negative, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

| ✕ Relevant | | | Not relevant | | | | |
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| | Impact | | Origin | | Trend of impact | | |
| Impact | Current | Potential | Inside | Outside | Decreasing | Stable | Increasing |
| Positive ✕ | ✕ | ✕ | | ✕ | | → | |
| Negative | | | | | | | |

4.2.6 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.2 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

Due to the large number of visitors during gatherings, such as the New Year holidays, the services requires further financial and administrative facilities, but there is no acute problem in other days.

4.3. Services Infrastructures

4.3.1 - Water infrastructure

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Positive, Current, Potential, Outside

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.3.2 - Renewable energy facilities

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.3.3 - Non-renewable energy facilities

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.3.4 - Localised utilities

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Negative, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.3.5 - Major linear utilities

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.3.6 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.3 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

4.4. Pollution

4.4.1 - Pollution of marine waters

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.4.2 - Ground water pollution

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.4.3 - Surface water pollution

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.4.4 - Air pollution

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Negative, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside










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| ✕ Relevant | Not relevant | | | | | | |
| | Impact | | Origin | | Trend of impact | | |
| Impact | 🔥 Current | 🔧 Potential | 📍 Inside | 📍 Outside | 📉 Decreasing | ➡ Stable | 📈 Increasing |
| 🟢 Positive | | | | | | | |
| 🔴 Negative ✕ | | ✕ | ✕ | ✕ | | | 📈 |

4.4.5 - Solid waste

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Negative, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

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| ✕ Relevant | Not relevant |
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| | Impact | | Origin | | Trend of impact | | |
|--|---|---|--|---|---|--|--|
| Impact |  Current |  Potential |  Inside |  Outside |  Decreasing |  Stable |  Increasing |
|  Positive ✕ | ✕ | ✕ | ✕ | ✕ | | → | |
|  Negative | | | | | | | |

4.4.6 - Input of excess energy

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.4.7 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.4 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

4.5. Biological resource use/modification

4.5.1 - Fishing/collecting aquatic resources

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Positive, Current, Potential, Outside

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.5.2 - Aquaculture

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Positive, Current, Potential, Outside

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.5.3 - Land conversion

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.5.4 - Livestock farming/Grazing of domesticated animals

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.5.5 - Crop production

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.5.6 - Commercial wild plant collection

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.5.7 - Subsistence wild plant collection

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.5.8 - Commercial hunting

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.5.9 - Subsistence hunting

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.5.10 - Forestry/Wood production

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

Relevant

✕ Not relevant

4.5.11 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.5 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

4.6. Physical resource extraction

4.6.1 - Mining

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

Relevant

✕ Not relevant

4.6.2 - Quarrying

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

Relevant

✕ Not relevant

4.6.3 - Oil and gas

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

Relevant

✕ Not relevant

4.6.4 - Water (extraction)

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Positive, Negative, Current, Potential, Outside

Relevant

✕ Not relevant

4.6.5 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.6 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

4.7. Local conditions affecting physical fabric

4.7.1 - Wind

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Negative, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

Relevant

✕ Not relevant

4.7.2 - Relative humidity

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Negative, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

Relevant

✕ Not relevant

4.7.3 - Temperature

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

Relevant

✕ Not relevant

4.7.4 - Radiation/Light

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

Relevant

✕ Not relevant

4.7.5 - Dust

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

Relevant

✕ Not relevant

4.7.6 - Water (rain/water table)

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant











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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.7.7 - Pests

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Negative, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

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| ✕ Relevant | Not relevant |
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| | Impact | | Origin | | Trend of impact | | |
|--|---|---|--|---|---|--|--|
| Impact |  Current |  Potential |  Inside |  Outside |  Decreasing |  Stable |  Increasing |
|  Positive | | | | | | | |
|  Negative ✕ | ✕ | | | ✕ | | |  |

4.7.8 - Micro-organisms

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.7.9 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.7 are affecting the property either negatively or positively











4.8. Social/Cultural uses of heritage

4.8.1 - Ritual/Spiritual/Religious and associative uses

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Positive, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

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| ✕ Relevant | Not relevant |
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| | Impact | | Origin | | Trend of impact | | |
|--|---|---|--|---|---|--|--|
| Impact |  Current |  Potential |  Inside |  Outside |  Decreasing |  Stable |  Increasing |
|  Positive ✕ | ✕ | ✕ | ✕ | | |  | |
|  Negative | | | | | | | |

4.8.2 - Society's valuing of heritage

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Positive, Negative, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

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| ✕ Relevant | Not relevant |
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| | Impact | | Origin | | Trend of impact | | |
|--|---|---|--|---|---|--|--|
| Impact |  Current |  Potential |  Inside |  Outside |  Decreasing |  Stable |  Increasing |
|  Positive ✕ | ✕ | ✕ | ✕ | | | |  |
|  Negative | | | | | | | |

4.8.3 - Indigenous hunting, gathering and collecting

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant




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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.8.4 - Changes in traditional ways of life and knowledge system

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Negative, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

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| ✕ Relevant | Not relevant |
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| | Impact | | Origin | | Trend of impact | | |
|--------|---|---|--|---|---|--|--|
| Impact |  Current |  Potential |  Inside |  Outside |  Decreasing |  Stable |  Increasing |

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| Positive | | | | | | | |
| Negative | | | | | | | |

4.8.5 - Identity, social cohesion, changes in local population and community

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Negative, Current, Potential, Inside

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| Relevant | | | | Not relevant | | | |
| | Impact | | Origin | | Trend of impact | | |
| Impact | Current | Potential | Inside | Outside | Decreasing | Stable | Increasing |
| Positive | | | | | | | |
| Negative | | | | | | | |

4.8.6 - Impacts of tourism/Visitation/Recreation

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Positive, Negative, Current, Potential, Inside

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| Relevant | | | | Not relevant | | | |
| | Impact | | Origin | | Trend of impact | | |
| Impact | Current | Potential | Inside | Outside | Decreasing | Stable | Increasing |
| Positive | | | | | | | |
| Negative | | | | | | | |

4.8.7 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.8 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

While there is a decreasing trend in traditional knowledge and workmanship in general, the situation of the core Zone of WHS is somehow acceptable in this regard and is stable.

4.9. Other human activities

4.9.1 - Illegal activities

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Negative, Current, Potential, Outside

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| Relevant | Not relevant |
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4.9.2 - Deliberate destruction of heritage

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Negative, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

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| Relevant | Not relevant |
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4.9.3 - Military training

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | Not relevant |
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4.9.4 - War

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | Not relevant |
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4.9.5 - Terrorism

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | Not relevant |
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4.9.6 - Civil unrest

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | Not relevant |
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4.9.7 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.9 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

4.10. Climate change and severe weather events

4.10.1 - Storms

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not relevant |
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4.10.2 - Flooding

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not relevant |
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4.10.3 - Drought

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not relevant |
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4.10.4 - Desertification

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Negative, Current, Potential, Outside

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| Relevant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not relevant |
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4.10.5 - Changes to oceanic waters

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not relevant |
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4.10.6 - Temperature change

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not relevant |
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4.10.7 - Other climate change impacts

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not relevant |
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4.10.8 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.10 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

4.11. Sudden ecological or geological events

4.11.1 - Volcanic eruption

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not relevant |
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4.11.2 - Earthquake

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not relevant |
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4.11.3 - Tsunami/Tidal wave

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not relevant |
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4.11.4 - Avalanche/Landslide

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.11.5 - Erosion and siltation/Deposition

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.11.6 - Fire (wildfire)

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Negative, Potential, Inside

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.11.7 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.11 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

4.12. Invasive/alien species or hyper-abundant species

4.12.1 - Translocated species

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.12.2 - Invasive/Alien terrestrial species

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Negative, Potential, Inside

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.12.3 - Invasive/Alien freshwater species

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.12.4 - Invasive/Alien marine species

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.12.5 - Hyper-abundant species

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.12.6 - Modified genetic material

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):






- Not relevant








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| Relevant | ✕ Not relevant |
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4.12.7 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.12 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

4.13. Management and institutional factors

4.13.1 - Management system/Management plan

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|------------|---|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| ✕ Relevant | | Not relevant | | | | | |
| | Impact | | Origin | | Trend of impact | | |
| Impact |  Current |  Potential |  Inside |  Outside |  Decreasing |  Stable |  Increasing |

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|--|---|---|---|---|--|--|---|
| Positive  |  |  |  |  | | |  |
| Negative  | | | | | | | |

4.13.2 - Legal framework

| | | | | | | | |
|--|---|---|--|---|---|--|--|
|  Relevant | | | | Not relevant | | | |
| | Impact | | Origin | | Trend of impact | | |
| Impact |  Current |  Potential |  Inside |  Outside |  Decreasing |  Stable |  Increasing |
| Positive  |  |  |  |  | | |  |
| Negative  | | | | | | | |

4.13.3 - Governance

| | | | | | | | |
|--|---|---|--|---|---|--|--|
|  Relevant | | | | Not relevant | | | |
| | Impact | | Origin | | Trend of impact | | |
| Impact |  Current |  Potential |  Inside |  Outside |  Decreasing |  Stable |  Increasing |
| Positive  |  |  |  |  | | |  |
| Negative  | | | | | | | |

4.13.4 - Management activities

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Positive, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

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|--|---|---|--|---|---|--|--|
|  Relevant | | | | Not relevant | | | |
| | Impact | | Origin | | Trend of impact | | |
| Impact |  Current |  Potential |  Inside |  Outside |  Decreasing |  Stable |  Increasing |
| Positive  |  |  |  | | | |  |
| Negative  | | | | | | | |

4.13.5 - Financial resources

| | | | | | | | |
|--|---|---|--|---|---|--|--|
|  Relevant | | | | Not relevant | | | |
| | Impact | | Origin | | Trend of impact | | |
| Impact |  Current |  Potential |  Inside |  Outside |  Decreasing |  Stable |  Increasing |
| Positive  |  |  |  | | | |  |
| Negative  | | | | | | | |

4.13.6 - Human resources

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|--|---|---|--|---|---|--|--|
|  Relevant | | | | Not relevant | | | |
| | Impact | | Origin | | Trend of impact | | |
| Impact |  Current |  Potential |  Inside |  Outside |  Decreasing |  Stable |  Increasing |
| Positive  |  |  |  | | | |  |
| Negative  | | | | | | | |

4.13.7 - Low impact research/monitoring activities

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Relevant, Positive, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

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| Relevant |  Not relevant |
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4.13.8 - High impact research/monitoring activities

Previous answer Cycle 2 (08/09/2011):

- Not relevant

| | |
|----------|--|
| Relevant |  Not relevant |
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4.13.9 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors selected as relevant in 4.13 are affecting the property either negatively or positively

4.14. Other factor(s)

4.14.1 - Other factor(s)

4.15. Factors Summary Table

4.15.1 - Factors Summary Table

| Name | Impact | | | Origin | | Trend |
|--|--------|--|--|--------|--|-------|
| 4.1 Buildings and Development | | | | | | |
| 4.1.5 Interpretative and visitation facilities | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| 4.2 Transportation Infrastructure | | | | | | |
| 4.2.1 Ground transport infrastructure | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| 4.2.2 Underground transport infrastructure | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| 4.2.3 Air transport infrastructure | | | | | | |
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| 4.2.5 Effects arising from use of transportation infrastructure | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| 4.4 Pollution | | | | | | |
| 4.4.4 Air pollution | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| 4.4.5 Solid waste | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| 4.7 Local conditions affecting physical fabric | | | | | | |
| 4.7.7 Pests | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| 4.8 Social/Cultural uses of heritage | | | | | | |
| 4.8.1 Ritual/Spiritual/Religious and associative uses | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| 4.8.2 Society's valuing of heritage | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| 4.8.4 Changes in traditional ways of life and knowledge system | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| 4.8.5 Identity, social cohesion, changes in local population and community | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| 4.8.6 Impacts of tourism/Visitation/Recreation | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| 4.13 Management and institutional factors | | | | | | |
| 4.13.1 Management system/Management plan | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| 4.13.2 Legal framework | | | | | | |
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| 4.13.3 Governance | | | | | | |
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| 4.13.4 Management activities | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| 4.13.5 Financial resources | | | | | | |
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| 4.13.6 Human resources | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Legend | Current | Potential | Negative | Positive | Inside | Outside |

4.16. Assessment of current and potential positive and negative factors






4.16.1 - Assessment of current and potential negative and positive factors

4.1 Buildings and Development

| Name | Impact | Origin | Trend |
|--|--------|--------|-------|
| 4.1.5 Interpretative and visitation facilities | | | |
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| Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor | |
|---|--------------------------------|
| | Restricted |
| ✕ | Localised |
| | Extensive |
| | Widespread |
| Temporal scale - Occurrence of the impact | |
| | One off or rare |
| | Intermittent or sporadic |
| | Frequent |
| ✕ | On-going |
| Impact - Impact on the attributes | |
| | Insignificant |
| | Minor |
| ✕ | Significant |
| | Major |
| Management response - Capacity of management to respond | |
| | High capacity |
| ✕ | Medium capacity |
| | Low capacity |
| | No capacity and / or resources |
| Trend - Development over the last 6 years | |
| | Decreasing |
| | Static |
| ✕ | Increasing |

4.2 Transportation Infrastructure

| Name | Impact | Origin | Trend |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|---|
| 4.2.1 Ground transport infrastructure |    |  |  |
| | | | |

Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor

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|---|------------|
| | Restricted |
| | Localised |
| | Extensive |
| ✕ | Widespread |

Temporal scale - Occurrence of the impact

| | |
|---|--------------------------|
| | One off or rare |
| | Intermittent or sporadic |
| ✕ | Frequent |
| | On-going |

Impact - Impact on the attributes






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|---|---------------|
| | Insignificant |
| | Minor |
| ✕ | Significant |
| | Major |

Management response - Capacity of management to respond

| | |
|---|--------------------------------|
| | High capacity |
| ✕ | Medium capacity |
| | Low capacity |
| | No capacity and / or resources |

Trend - Development over the last 6 years

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|---|------------|
| | Decreasing |
| | Static |
| ✕ | Increasing |

| Name | Impact | Origin | Trend |
|--|---|---|---|
| 4.2.2 Underground transport infrastructure |    |  |  |
| | | | |




Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor

| | |
|---|------------|
| | Restricted |
| | Localised |
| | Extensive |
| ✕ | Widespread |

Temporal scale - Occurrence of the impact




| | |
|---|--------------------------|
| | One off or rare |
| ✕ | Intermittent or sporadic |

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|---|--------------------------------|
| | Frequent |
| | On-going |
| Impact - Impact on the attributes | |
| | Insignificant |
| | Minor |
| ✕ | Significant |
| | Major |
| Management response - Capacity of management to respond | |
| | High capacity |
| ✕ | Medium capacity |
| | Low capacity |
| | No capacity and / or resources |
| Trend - Development over the last 6 years | |
| | Decreasing |
| | Static |
| ✕ | Increasing |

| Name | Impact | | | Origin | Trend |
|------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4.2.3 Air transport infrastructure |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor | |
| | Restricted |
| ✕ | Localised |
| | Extensive |
| | Widespread |
| Temporal scale - Occurrence of the impact | |
| | One off or rare |
| ✕ | Intermittent or sporadic |
| | Frequent |
| | On-going |
| Impact - Impact on the attributes | |
| | Insignificant |
| ✕ | Minor |
| | Significant |
| | Major |
| Management response - Capacity of management to respond | |
| | High capacity |
| ✕ | Medium capacity |
| | Low capacity |
| | No capacity and / or resources |
| Trend - Development over the last 6 years | |
| | Decreasing |

| | |
|---|------------|
| | Static |
| ✕ | Increasing |

| Name | Impact | Origin | Trend |
|---|---|---|---|
| 4.2.5 Effects arising from use of transportation infrastructure |    |   |  |
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Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor

| | |
|---|------------|
| | Restricted |
| | Localised |
| ✕ | Extensive |
| | Widespread |

Temporal scale - Occurrence of the impact

| | |
|---|--------------------------|
| | One off or rare |
| | Intermittent or sporadic |
| ✕ | Frequent |
| | On-going |

Impact - Impact on the attributes

| | |
|---|---------------|
| | Insignificant |
| | Minor |
| ✕ | Significant |
| | Major |



Management response - Capacity of management to respond

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|---|--------------------------------|
| | High capacity |
| ✕ | Medium capacity |
| | Low capacity |
| | No capacity and / or resources |

Trend - Development over the last 6 years

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|---|------------|
| | Decreasing |
| | Static |
| ✕ | Increasing |

4.4 Pollution

| Name | Impact | Origin | Trend |
|---------------------|---|---|---|
| 4.4.4 Air pollution |   |   |  |






Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor

| | |
|---|------------|
| | Restricted |
| | Localised |
| | Extensive |
| ✕ | Widespread |

Temporal scale - Occurrence of the impact

| | |
|--|-----------------|
| | One off or rare |
|--|-----------------|

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|---|--------------------------------|
| ✕ | Intermittent or sporadic |
| | Frequent |
| | On-going |
| Impact - Impact on the attributes | |
| | Insignificant |
| ✕ | Minor |
| | Significant |
| | Major |
| Management response - Capacity of management to respond | |
| | High capacity |
| | Medium capacity |
| ✕ | Low capacity |
| | No capacity and / or resources |
| Trend - Developement over the last 6 years | |
| | Decreasing |
| | Static |
| ✕ | Increasing |

| Name | Impact | Origin | Trend |
|-------------------|---|---|---|
| 4.4.5 Solid waste |    |   |  |
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| Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor | |
| | Restricted |
| ✕ | Localised |
| | Extensive |
| | Widespread |
| Temporal scale - Occurence of the impact | |
| | One off or rare |
| | Intermittent or sporadic |
| | Frequent |
| ✕ | On-going |
| Impact - Impact on the attributes | |
| ✕ | Insignificant |
| | Minor |
| | Significant |
| | Major |
| Management response - Capacity of management to respond | |
| | High capacity |
| ✕ | Medium capacity |
| | Low capacity |
| | No capacity and / or resources |
| Trend - Developement over the last 6 years | |

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| ✕ | Decreasing |
| | Static |
| | Increasing |

4.7 Local conditions affecting physical fabric

| Name | Impact | | | Origin | | Trend |
|-------------|--------|---|--|--------|---|-------|
| 4.7.7 Pests | | | | | | |
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Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor

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|---|------------|
| | Restricted |
| ✕ | Localised |
| | Extensive |
| | Widespread |

Temporal scale - Occurrence of the impact

| | |
|---|--------------------------|
| | One off or rare |
| ✕ | Intermittent or sporadic |
| | Frequent |
| | On-going |

Impact - Impact on the attributes

| | |
|---|---------------|
| | Insignificant |
| ✕ | Minor |
| | Significant |
| | Major |

Management response - Capacity of management to respond

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|---|--------------------------------|
| | High capacity |
| ✕ | Medium capacity |
| | Low capacity |
| | No capacity and / or resources |

Trend - Development over the last 6 years

| | |
|---|------------|
| | Decreasing |
| | Static |
| ✕ | Increasing |




4.8 Social/Cultural uses of heritage

| Name | Impact | | | Origin | | Trend |
|---|--------|---|---|--------|--|-------|
| 4.8.1 Ritual/Spiritual/Religious and associative uses | + | 🚩 | 🚩 | 🔄 | | → |
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Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor










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|---|------------|
| | Restricted |
| ✕ | Localised |
| | Extensive |

| | |
|--|--------------------------------|
| | Widespread |
| Temporal scale - Occurrence of the impact | |
| | One off or rare |
| ✕ | Intermittent or sporadic |
| | Frequent |
| | On-going |
| Impact - Impact on the attributes | |
| | Insignificant |
| | Minor |
| ✕ | Significant |
| | Major |
| Management response - Capacity of management to respond | |
| | High capacity |
| ✕ | Medium capacity |
| | Low capacity |
| | No capacity and / or resources |
| Trend - Development over the last 6 years | |
| | Decreasing |
| | Static |
| ✕ | Increasing |

| Name | Impact | | | Origin | | Trend |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|--|---|
| 4.8.2 Society's valuing of heritage |  |  |  |  | |  |
| | | | | | | |

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| Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor | |
| | Restricted |
| | Localised |
| | Extensive |
| ✕ | Widespread |
| Temporal scale - Occurrence of the impact | |
| | One off or rare |
| | Intermittent or sporadic |
| ✕ | Frequent |
| | On-going |
| Impact - Impact on the attributes | |
| | Insignificant |
| | Minor |
| ✕ | Significant |
| | Major |
| Management response - Capacity of management to respond | |
| | High capacity |
| ✕ | Medium capacity |

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| | Low capacity |
| | No capacity and / or resources |
| Trend - Development over the last 6 years | |
| | Decreasing |
| | Static |
| ✕ | Increasing |

| Name | Impact | Origin | Trend |
|--|---|---|---|
| 4.8.4 Changes in traditional ways of life and knowledge system |   |  |  |
| |    |  |  |











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| Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor | |
| | Restricted |
| | Localised |
| | Extensive |
| ✕ | Widespread |

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|--|--------------------------|
| Temporal scale - Occurrence of the impact | |
| | One off or rare |
| | Intermittent or sporadic |
| | Frequent |
| ✕ | On-going |

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|--|---------------|
| Impact - Impact on the attributes | |
| | Insignificant |
| | Minor |
| ✕ | Significant |
| | Major |

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|--|--------------------------------|
| Management response - Capacity of management to respond | |
| | High capacity |
| | Medium capacity |
| ✕ | Low capacity |
| | No capacity and / or resources |

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| Trend - Development over the last 6 years | |
| | Decreasing |
| | Static |
| ✕ | Increasing |

| Name | Impact | Origin | Trend |
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| 4.8.5 Identity, social cohesion, changes in local population and community |    |  |  |
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| Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor | |
| | Restricted |
| | Localised |
| ✕ | Extensive |






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| | Widespread |
| Temporal scale - Occurrence of the impact | |
| | One off or rare |
| | Intermittent or sporadic |
| ✕ | Frequent |
| | On-going |
| Impact - Impact on the attributes | |
| | Insignificant |
| | Minor |
| ✕ | Significant |
| | Major |
| Management response - Capacity of management to respond | |
| | High capacity |
| ✕ | Medium capacity |
| | Low capacity |
| | No capacity and / or resources |
| Trend - Development over the last 6 years | |
| | Decreasing |
| | Static |
| ✕ | Increasing |

| Name | Impact | | | Origin | | Trend |
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| 4.8.6 Impacts of tourism/Visitation/Recreation | | | | | | |
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| Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor | |
| | Restricted |
| | Localised |
| | Extensive |
| ✕ | Widespread |
| Temporal scale - Occurrence of the impact | |
| | One off or rare |
| | Intermittent or sporadic |
| ✕ | Frequent |
| | On-going |
| Impact - Impact on the attributes | |
| | Insignificant |
| | Minor |
| ✕ | Significant |
| | Major |
| Management response - Capacity of management to respond | |
| | High capacity |
| ✕ | Medium capacity |

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| | Low capacity |
| | No capacity and / or resources |
| Trend - Development over the last 6 years | |
| | Decreasing |
| | Static |
| ✕ | Increasing |

4.13 Management and institutional factors

| Name | Impact | Origin | Trend |
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| 4.13.1 Management system/Management plan |    |   |  |
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| Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor | |
| | Restricted |
| | Localised |
| ✕ | Extensive |
| | Widespread |

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| Temporal scale - Occurrence of the impact | |
| | One off or rare |
| | Intermittent or sporadic |
| | Frequent |
| ✕ | On-going |

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| Impact - Impact on the attributes | |
| | Insignificant |
| | Minor |
| ✕ | Significant |
| | Major |





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| Management response - Capacity of management to respond | |
| | High capacity |
| ✕ | Medium capacity |
| | Low capacity |
| | No capacity and / or resources |

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| Trend - Development over the last 6 years | |
| | Decreasing |
| | Static |
| ✕ | Increasing |

| Name | Impact | Origin | Trend |
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| 4.13.2 Legal framework |    |   |  |
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| Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor | |
| | Restricted |
| | Localised |

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| | Extensive |
| ✕ | Widespread |
| Temporal scale - Occurrence of the impact | |
| | One off or rare |
| | Intermittent or sporadic |
| ✕ | Frequent |
| | On-going |
| Impact - Impact on the attributes | |
| | Insignificant |
| | Minor |
| | Significant |
| ✕ | Major |
| Management response - Capacity of management to respond | |
| | High capacity |
| ✕ | Medium capacity |
| | Low capacity |
| | No capacity and / or resources |
| Trend - Development over the last 6 years | |
| | Decreasing |
| | Static |
| ✕ | Increasing |

| Name | Impact | Origin | Trend |
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| 4.13.3 Governance |    |   |  |
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| Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor | |
| | Restricted |
| | Localised |
| ✕ | Extensive |
| | Widespread |
| Temporal scale - Occurrence of the impact | |
| | One off or rare |
| | Intermittent or sporadic |
| ✕ | Frequent |
| | On-going |
| Impact - Impact on the attributes | |
| | Insignificant |
| | Minor |
| ✕ | Significant |
| | Major |
| Management response - Capacity of management to respond | |
| | High capacity |
| ✕ | Medium capacity |

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| | Low capacity |
| | No capacity and / or resources |
| Trend - Development over the last 6 years | |
| | Decreasing |
| | Static |
| ✕ | Increasing |

| Name | Impact | Origin | Trend |
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| 4.13.4 Management activities |    |  |  |
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| Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor | |
| | Restricted |
| | Localised |
| ✕ | Extensive |
| | Widespread |

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| Temporal scale - Occurrence of the impact | |
| | One off or rare |
| | Intermittent or sporadic |
| | Frequent |
| ✕ | On-going |

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| Impact - Impact on the attributes | |
| | Insignificant |
| | Minor |
| ✕ | Significant |
| | Major |

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| Management response - Capacity of management to respond | |
| | High capacity |
| ✕ | Medium capacity |
| | Low capacity |
| | No capacity and / or resources |

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| Trend - Development over the last 6 years | |
| | Decreasing |
| | Static |
| ✕ | Increasing |

| Name | Impact | Origin | Trend |
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| 4.13.5 Financial resources |    |  |  |
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| Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor | |
| | Restricted |
| | Localised |
| ✕ | Extensive |

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| | Widespread |
| Temporal scale - Occurrence of the impact | |
| | One off or rare |
| | Intermittent or sporadic |
| ✕ | Frequent |
| | On-going |
| Impact - Impact on the attributes | |
| | Insignificant |
| | Minor |
| ✕ | Significant |
| | Major |
| Management response - Capacity of management to respond | |
| | High capacity |
| ✕ | Medium capacity |
| | Low capacity |
| | No capacity and / or resources |
| Trend - Development over the last 6 years | |
| | Decreasing |
| | Static |
| ✕ | Increasing |

| Name | Impact | | | Origin | | Trend |
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| 4.13.6 Human resources | | | | | | |
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| Spatial scale - Area affected by the factor | |
| | Restricted |
| | Localised |
| ✕ | Extensive |
| | Widespread |
| Temporal scale - Occurrence of the impact | |
| | One off or rare |
| | Intermittent or sporadic |
| ✕ | Frequent |
| | On-going |
| Impact - Impact on the attributes | |
| | Insignificant |
| | Minor |
| ✕ | Significant |
| | Major |
| Management response - Capacity of management to respond | |
| | High capacity |
| ✕ | Medium capacity |

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| | Low capacity |
| | No capacity and / or resources |
| Trend - Development over the last 6 years | |
| | Decreasing |
| | Static |
| ✕ | Increasing |

4.17. Serial inscriptions (national or transnational)

4.17.1 - If your property is a serial inscription (national or transnational) please identify which components of the property are impacted by each factor

4.18. Prediction of the state of conservation at next cycle of Periodic Reporting.

4.18.1 - Please predict what the state of conservation of each attribute will be approximately 6 years from now (at the time of the next cycle of Periodic Reporting)

| | Attribute | Preserved | Compromised | Seriously compromised | Lost |
|----------|---------------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------------------|------|
| 4.18.1.1 | BBazaar around the square | ✕ | | | |
| 4.18.1.2 | Ali Qapo | ✕ | | | |
| 4.18.1.3 | Royal Mosque | ✕ | | | |
| 4.18.1.4 | Sheikh Lotfollah Mosque | ✕ | | | |
| 4.18.1.5 | Portico Qeyssariyeh | ✕ | | | |

5. Protection and Management of the Property

5.1. Boundaries and Buffer Zones

5.1.1 - Are the boundaries of the World Heritage property adequate to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value?

The boundaries are **adequate to maintain** the property's Outstanding Universal Value

5.1.2 - Are the boundaries of the World Heritage property known and recognised?

The boundaries **are known by both** the management authority and local communities/landowners

5.1.3 - Are the buffer zone(s) of the World Heritage property adequate to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value?

The buffer zones are **adequate** to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value

5.1.4 - Are the boundaries of the buffer zones known and recognised?

The buffer zones of the World Heritage property **are known and recognised** by the management authority **but are not known** by local communities/landowners

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

The Buffer Zone of Imam Square is somehow known by local communities and landowners. Since the area located within the Buffer Zone is large and extensive, there is a long way to properly manage and control the entire Buffer Zone.

5.2. Protective Measures

5.2.1 - Protective designation (legal, regulatory, contractual, planning, institutional and/or traditional).

The site is registered on the list of national monuments under the number 102. Each one of the buildings surrounding the square is also registered.

5.2.2 - Please list any legislation and other measures (regulatory -including spatial planning- contractual, institutional or traditional) not included in 5.2.1 and indicate the category

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| 2021 / Criteria Buffer zone of Imam Square / * / * / 1971 / |
| Constitution Law of Islamic Republic of Iran / * / 1935 / Iranian Civil Law / |
| * / * / 1996 / The Islamic Penal Law / * / |
| 1991 / The Law for Punishment of those Interfering in the National Economic System / * / |
| 1971 / 5. Property acquisition law for implementing public development and military projects of the Government / * / |
| 1930 / The Law for Protection of National Heritage / * / |
| 1980 / The Bylaw Concerning Prevention of Unauthorized Excavation / * / |
| 1979 / The Law for Establishing Iranian Cultural Heritage Organization / * / 1987 / |
| The Law for Establishing the Higher Council for Architecture and Urban Planning / * / 2018 / Sixth development plan of Iran / |

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| * / 1931 / The national monuments registration law / * / |
| 1975 / The law on Iran joining the convention of protecting natural and cultural heritage, 1975 / * / |
| 2015 / National Strategy Document on Revitalizing, Upgrading, Renovating and Enabling Deteriorated and Underutilized Urban Fabrics, 2015 / * / |
| 1992 / Tourism development law / * / |
| 1985 / The law on the Constitution of Iranian Cultural Heritage Organization / * / |
| 2019 / The law on supporting the restoration and rehabilitation of historic fabrics / * / 1954 / |
| Enhanced Protection under the Second Protocol to the 1954 Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict / * / 2002 / Bylaw on the Conservation of the Iranian Cultural Heritage / |

5.2.3 - Is the legal framework (i.e. legislation and/or regulation including spatial planning) adequate for maintaining the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Integrity and/or Authenticity of the property?

An **adequate legal framework** for maintaining of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and/or Integrity of the World Heritage property exists **but there are some deficiencies in implementation**

5.2.4 - 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?

An **adequate legal framework** in the buffer zone for maintaining the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and/or Integrity of the World Heritage property exists **but there are some deficiencies in implementation**

5.2.5 - Is the legal framework (i.e. legislation and/or regulation) in the broader setting of the World Heritage property adequate for maintaining the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Integrity and/or Authenticity of the property?

An **adequate legal framework** exists for the broader setting of the World Heritage property, **but there are some deficiencies in implementation** which undermine the maintenance of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and/or Integrity of the property

5.2.6 - Can the legal framework (i.e. legislation and/or regulation) be enforced?

There is **acceptable capacity/resources** to enforce legislation and/or regulation in the World Heritage property but some deficiencies of enforcement remain

5.2.7 - Please provide a short summary of how the legislation, including spatial planning and other regulation, works in practice

5.2.8 - Comments, conclusions and/or recommendations about the information related to the measures taken to protect the World Heritage property

5.3. Management System/Management Plan

5.3.1 - Please check the box which most closely match the character of the governance and management system of the property

Public management system at national level

If 'Other', please specify

5.3.2 - Management System: Please indicate which of the various management tools listed below are used to help protect the property.

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|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> A statutory Management Plan or zoning plan for the property. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other forms of statutory or non-statutory plans (e.g. strategic plans) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traditional ways of management recognised by local communities and other specific groups |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Governance mechanisms that foster and respect traditional practices, knowledge and uses of the property |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agreed 'Memorandums of Understanding' between different managing institutions, groups or others, including documents agreed with local communities for management |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mechanisms to promote equal participation among and within groups, including different levels of authority, local communities, indigenous people, women and men, and other specific groups |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A framework for inclusive economic development, including equal access and distribution of resources and opportunities arising from the protection of the property |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A management plan |
| <input type="checkbox"/> An annual work plan or business plan |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A disaster, climate or conflict risk management plan |

5.3.3 - Please give a brief description of the management system currently in place at your property

So far there was both annual plan and an early draft of the management plan and we are now in the processes of updating the Management plan and this will be ratified by the end of 2021.

5.3.4 - Management Documents

5.3.5 - Has any use been made of the 2011 Recommendation on the Historic Urban Landscape in developing policies and best practices for the protection of this property?

Some use has been made of the 2011 Recommendation on the Historic Urban Landscape

5.3.6 - If the Historic Urban Landscape Recommendation has been used at this property, please describe briefly what has been done.

This HUL approach has been considered in the preparation of the Management Plan already in progress.

5.3.7 - Has any use been made of the Policy Document on the Impacts of Climate Change on World Heritage Properties at the property?
No use has been made of the World Heritage Policy for Climate Change

5.3.8 - If the Climate Change policy has been used, please briefly describe what has been done along with any research on the impacts of Climate Change on the property:

5.3.9 - Has any use been made of the Strategy for Reducing Risks from Disasters at World Heritage Properties at the property ?
Some use has been made of the Strategy for Reducing Risks from Disasters at World Heritage Properties

5.3.10 - If the Strategy for Reducing Risks from Disasters at World Heritage Properties has been used, please briefly describe what has been done
The Risk Management Plan is currently under preparation.

5.3.11 - Rate the coordination between the various levels of administration (i.e. national/federal; regional/provincial/state; local/municipal etc.) involved in the management of the World Heritage property
There is **adequate coordination** between all bodies/levels involved in the management of the property

5.3.12 - 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

5.3.13 - Is the management system being implemented?
The management system is being **only partially implemented**

5.3.14 - Is there an annual work/action plan and is it being implemented?
An annual work/action plan **exists and many of its activities are being implemented**

5.3.15 - Does the management system include formal mechanisms and procedures that ensure participation and contribution of the following groups, living within or near the World Heritage property and/or buffer zone in management decisions that maintain the Outstanding Universal Value of the property?

| | | Not applicable | No mechanisms for participation | Some participation | Direct participation | Transformative participation in all relevant decision processes |
|----------|---|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|---|
| 5.3.15.1 | Local communities | | | ✕ | | |
| 5.3.15.2 | Local authorities | | | | ✕ | |
| 5.3.15.3 | Landowners in the property and the buffer zone | | | ✕ | | |
| 5.3.15.4 | Indigenous peoples | | | ✕ | | |
| 5.3.15.5 | Women | ✕ | | | | |
| 5.3.15.6 | Other specific groups | | | ✕ | | |
| | If you selected, 'Other specific groups' please specify | Religious Perties and Shop Owners | | | | |

5.3.16 - Please rate the cooperation/relationship between the World Heritage property managers/coordinators/staff and the following groups

| | | Not applicable | Non-existent | Poor | Fair | Good |
|-----------|---------------------------------|----------------|--------------|------|------|------|
| 5.3.16.1 | Local communities | | | | ✕ | |
| 5.3.16.2 | Local/Municipal authorities | | | | | ✕ |
| 5.3.16.3 | Indigenous peoples | | | | ✕ | |
| 5.3.16.4 | Landowners | | | | ✕ | |
| 5.3.16.5 | Women | | | | | ✕ |
| 5.3.16.6 | Youth/Children | | | | ✕ | |
| 5.3.16.7 | Researchers | | | | | ✕ |
| 5.3.16.8 | Local Visitors/Tourists | | | | | ✕ |
| 5.3.16.9 | National/International tourists | | | | | ✕ |
| 5.3.16.10 | Tourism Industry | | | | ✕ | |
| 5.3.16.11 | Local businesses and industries | | | | | ✕ |
| 5.3.16.12 | NGOs | | | | ✕ | |

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| 5.3.16.13 | Other specific groups | × | | | | |
| | If you selected 'Other specific groups', please specify | | | | | |

5.3.17 - Please rate the extent to which the management system of your property contributes towards achieving the objectives of the World Heritage Committee's Policy for the Integration of a Sustainable Development Perspective into the Processes of the *World Heritage Convention*

| | | Not applicable | No contribution | Limited | Significant | Full achievement |
|----------|--|----------------|-----------------|---------|-------------|------------------|
| 5.3.17.1 | The management system of the property contributes to gender equality | | | | | × |
| 5.3.17.2 | The management system of the property provides ecosystem services/benefits to the local community (e.g. fresh air, water, food, medicinal plants) | × | | | | |
| 5.3.17.3 | The management system of the property contributes to social inclusion and equity, improving opportunities for all, irrespective of age, sex, disability, ethnicity, origin, religion or economic or other status | | | | × | |
| 5.3.17.4 | The management system of the property integrates a human rights-based approach | | | | × | |
| 5.3.17.5 | The management system of the property contributes to fostering inclusive local economic development, and to enhancing livelihood | | | | × | |
| 5.3.17.6 | The management system of the property contributes to conflict prevention, including respect for cultural diversity within and around the World Heritage property | | | | × | |

5.3.18 - Please provide further details on the ratings of the management system given in the table above

5.3.19 - Comments, conclusions and/or recommendations related to the management system/plan

6. Financial and Human Resources

6.1. Funding

6.1.1 - If your funding sources do not exactly fit those shown, put the relevant amounts against the funding type that most closely represents your situation, and use the comment box below to provide more details.

| | | Project costs | Running costs |
|----------|--|---------------|---------------|
| 6.1.1.1 | Multilateral funding (GEF, World Bank, etc.) | 0 % | 0 % |
| 6.1.1.2 | Bilateral international funding | 0 % | 0 % |
| 6.1.1.3 | World Heritage Fund (International Assistance) | 0 % | 0 % |
| 6.1.1.4 | Contribution from other conventions and programmes | 0 % | 0 % |
| 6.1.1.5 | International donations (NGOs, foundations, etc.) | 0 % | 0 % |
| 6.1.1.6 | Governmental (national/federal) | 30 % | 30 % |
| 6.1.1.7 | Governmental (regional/provincial/state) | 20 % | 20 % |
| 6.1.1.8 | Governmental (local/municipal) | 50 % | 50 % |
| 6.1.1.9 | In-country donations (NGOs, foundations, etc.) | 0 % | 0 % |
| 6.1.1.10 | Individual visitor charges (e.g. entry, toilets, parking, camping fees, etc.) | 0 % | 0 % |
| 6.1.1.11 | Commercial activities (e.g. merchandising and catering, filming permit, concessions, etc.) | 0 % | 0 % |
| 6.1.1.12 | Other | 0 % | 0 % |
| | | Total 100 % | Total 100 % |

6.1.2 - Please comment here on any other aspects of funding sources not covered in the table above

Imam Square financial resources are provided by three government organizations, cultural heritage, tourism and handicrafts, Endowment Organization and Isfahan Municipality

6.1.3 - Is the current budget sufficient to manage the World Heritage property effectively?

The available budget is acceptable but could be further improved to fully meet the management needs

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

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

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

6.1.6 - Estimate the distribution of men and women involved in the management, conservation, interpretation of the World Heritage properties and the extent to which they are drawn from local communities.

| | From local communities % | From elsewhere % |
|--|--------------------------|------------------|
|--|--------------------------|------------------|

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|---------|-------|-------------|-------------|
| 6.1.6.1 | Men | 50 % | 70 % |
| 6.1.6.2 | Women | 50 % | 30 % |
| | | Total 100 % | Total 100 % |

6.1.7 - Are available human resources adequate to manage the World Heritage property?

Human resources **partly meet** the management needs of the World Heritage property

6.1.8 - Considering the management needs of the World Heritage property, please rate the availability of professionals in the following disciplines

| | |
|--|------|
| Conservation | Good |
| Environmental sustainability | Poor |
| Community participation and inclusion | Poor |
| Risk preparedness | Fair |
| Capacity development and education | Good |
| Administration | Fair |
| Research and monitoring | Poor |
| Awareness raising and public information/communication | Fair |
| Marketing and promotion | Fair |
| Interpretation | Fair |
| Visitor management/tourism | Good |
| Enforcement (custodians, police) | Good |

6.1.9 - Please rate the availability of training opportunities for the management of the World Heritage property in the following disciplines

| | |
|--|------|
| Conservation | Good |
| Environmental sustainability | Poor |
| Community participation and inclusion | Fair |
| Risk preparedness | Fair |
| Capacity development and education | Good |
| Administration | Good |
| Research and monitoring | Fair |
| Awareness raising and public information/communication | Fair |
| Marketing and promotion | Fair |
| Interpretation | Fair |
| Visitor management/tourism | Fair |
| Enforcement (custodians, police) | Good |

6.1.10 - Has any use been made of the World Heritage Strategy for Capacity Building at the property?

Training and capacity building at this property is **fully based** on the World Heritage Strategy for Capacity Building

6.1.11 - If the World Heritage Strategy for Capacity Building has been used, please briefly describe what has been done.

6.1.12 - Are there site-specific capacity building plans or programmes that develop local expertise and that contribute to the transfer of skills for the conservation and management of the World Heritage property?

A **site-based** capacity building plan or programme is in place and partially implemented; some technical skills are being transferred to those managing the property locally, **but most technical work is carried out by external staff**

6.1.13 - Comments, conclusions and/or recommendations related to human resources, expertise and training

7. Scientific Studies and Research Projects

7.1 - Is there adequate knowledge (scientific or traditional) about the values and attributes of the World Heritage property to support planning, management and decision-making to ensure that Outstanding Universal Value is maintained?

Knowledge about the values and attributes of the World Heritage property is **acceptable** for most key areas but there are gaps

7.2 - 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

7.3 - Are results from research programmes publicly available and disseminated?

Research results are shared with local communities and some national agencies

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

Scientific studies and Research has been written and is in the final stages.

8. Education, Information and Awareness Building

8.1 - Please rate the awareness and understanding of the existence and justification for inscription of the World Heritage property amongst the following groups

| | |
|--|---------------------|
| Local communities | Good |
| Local/municipal authorities | Fair |
| Indigenous peoples | Good |
| Landowners | Fair |
| Women | Good |
| Youth/children | Good |
| Researchers | Good |
| Local visitors | Good |
| National/international tourists | Good |
| Tourism industry | Good |
| Local businesses and industries | Good |
| NGOs | Fair |
| Other specific groups | Good |
| If you selected 'Other specific groups', please describe | University students |

8.2 - Does the property have a heritage education programme(s) for children and/or youth, that can contribute to a better understanding of heritage, promote diversity and foster intercultural dialogue?

There is a planned education and awareness programme for children and/or youth but it only partly meets the needs

8.3 - Who are the target audiences for education and awareness programmes at your property?

| |
|---------------------------------|
| Local communities |
| Local/municipal authorities |
| Indigenous peoples |
| Landowners |
| Women |
| Youth/children |
| Researchers |
| Local Visitors |
| National/international tourists |
| Tourism industry |
| Local businesses and industries |
| NGOs |

8.4 - Please rate the adequacy of the following visitor facilities and services at the World Heritage property for education, information, interpretation and awareness building

| | |
|--------------------|------|
| Visitor centre | Good |
| Site museum | Poor |
| Information booths | Fair |
| Guided tours | Good |

| | |
|--|----------------------------|
| Trails/routes | Good |
| Printed information materials | Fair |
| Online (website, social media, etc.) | Fair |
| Transportation facilities | Good |
| Other | Fair |
| If 'Other' is selected, please specify | Art gallery and exhibition |

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

9. Visitor Management

9.1 - Please provide estimated annual visitor numbers (including national and international visitors) since the last Periodic Report

855781 / 809632 / 777996 / 305038 / 561833 /

9.2 - What information sources are used to collect visitor statistics?

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|------------------------------|
| Entry tickets and registries |
| Accommodation establishments |
| Transportation services |
| Tourism industry |
| Visitor surveys |

9.3 - What is the average length stay of a visitor to the World Heritage property?

Two overnight stays

9.4 - Please provide the source of information

Visiting the building takes about a day, but because Imam Square is an important bazaar in Isfahan, tourists usually visit for more than two days.

9.5 - What is the approximate average daily visitor expenditure? (Please provide an estimated monetary figure in USD)

35 / 10 / 5 / 5 / 5 / 100 /

9.6 - Please provide the source of information

9.7 - Does the management system/plan for the World Heritage property include a strategy with an action plan to manage visitors, tourism activity and its derived economic, socio-cultural and environmental impacts?

There is **a strategy** to manage visitors, tourism activity and its derived impacts on the World Heritage property but there are **some deficiencies in implementation**

9.8 - Please provide any comments relating to the answer provided above in question 9.7

9.9 - Is visitor use effectively managed to maintain the Outstanding Universal Value of the property?

Visitor use of the World Heritage property is managed but **improvements could be made**

9.10 - Is the effectiveness of tourism management regularly monitored?

Yes, using a different system

If a different system, please specify

By the Deputy Minister of Tourism of Isfahan Province

9.11 - How does the tourism industry cooperate with the site management to improve visitor experiences and maintain the Outstanding Universal Value of the World Heritage property?

There is **good cooperation** between those responsible for the World Heritage property and the tourism industry **to present the Outstanding Universal Value and increase appreciation**

9.12 - How well is the information on the Outstanding Universal Value of the property presented and interpreted?

The Outstanding Universal Value of the property **is adequately presented and interpreted**

9.13 - At how many locations is the World Heritage emblem displayed at the property?

In **one location** and **easily visible** to visitors

9.14 - How does visitor/tourism revenue (e.g. entry charges, permits) contribute to the management of the World Heritage property?

Fees are collected, and make **some contribution** to the management of the World Heritage property

9.15 - Are there locally driven sustainable tourism initiatives?

Yes

If 'Yes', please specify

For numerous historical monuments and the production of numerous handicrafts

9.16 - Are the benefits of tourism shared with local communities?

Yes

If 'Yes', please specify

One of the advantages of sustainable tourism is the existence of a bazaar

9.17 - Comments, conclusions and/or recommendations related to visitation/tourism/public use of the World Heritage property**10. Monitoring****10.1 - Is there a monitoring programme at the property directed towards management needs and/or towards improving the understanding of the Outstanding Universal Value?**

There is a **comprehensive, integrated programme of monitoring**, which is relevant to management needs and/or improving understanding of the Outstanding Universal Value

10.2 - Is necessary information available in order to define key indicators for measuring the state of conservation and are they used in monitoring how the Outstanding Universal Value of the property is being maintained?

Information on the values of the World Heritage property is **adequate and key indicators have been defined** for measuring the state of conservation and **are being used in monitoring** of how the Outstanding Universal value of the property is being maintained

10.3 - Are key indicators defined and in place for the following principal aspects of the property?

| | Extend of indicators | Not applicable | No indicators | Indicators have been defined but are not yet in use | Indicators are in place and in use since the last Periodic Reporting cycle |
|--------|--|----------------|---------------|---|--|
| 10.3.1 | State of conservation | | | | × |
| 10.3.2 | Effectiveness of the management system | | | | × |
| 10.3.3 | Character of governance | | | | × |
| 10.3.4 | Appropriate synergy with other conservation designations | | | | × |
| 10.3.5 | Contribution to sustainable development | | | | × |
| 10.3.6 | Capacity development | | | | × |

10.4 - Please provide information on relevant key indicators adopted at the property**10.5 - Please rate the level of involvement in monitoring of the following groups:**

| | |
|---|---------------------------|
| World Heritage managers/coordinators and staff | Good |
| Local/municipal authorities | Fair |
| Local communities | Poor |
| Indigenous peoples | Fair |
| Landowners | Poor |
| Women | Fair |
| Researchers | Good |
| Tourism industry | Good |
| Local businesses and industry | Good |
| NGOs | Good |
| Other specific groups | Poor |
| If you selected 'Other specific groups', please specify | Universities and students |

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

Implementation is underway

10.7 - Please provide comments relevant to the implementation of recommendations from the World Heritage Committee.**10.8 - Comments, conclusions and/or recommendations related to Monitoring**

A robust system of monitoring for the WHS is planned and integrated in the new management plan that is under development.

11. Identification of Priority Management Needs**11.1 - Identification of Priority Management Needs**

| | | | | | | | | |
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| 5.1 | Boundaries and Buffer Zones | | | | | | | |
| 5.1.4 | The buffer zones of the World Heritage property are known and recognised by the management authority but are not known and recognized by local communities/landowners | | | | | | | ✕ |
| 5.2 | Protective Measures | | | | | | | |
| 5.2.3 | An adequate legal framework for maintaining of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and/or Integrity of the World Heritage property exists but there are some deficiencies in implementation | | | | | | | |
| 5.2.4 | An adequate legal framework in the buffer zone for maintaining the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and/or Integrity of the World Heritage property exists but there are some deficiencies in implementation | | | | | | | ✕ |
| 5.2.5 | An adequate legal framework exists for the broader setting of the World Heritage property and the buffer zone, but there are some deficiencies in implementation which undermine the maintenance of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and/or Integrity of the property | | | | | | | ✕ |
| 5.2.6 | There is acceptable capacity/resources to enforce legislation and/or regulation in the World Heritage property but some deficiencies of enforcement remain | | | | | | | |
| 5.3 | Management System/Management Plan | | | | | | | |
| 5.3.5 | Some use has been made of the Historic Urban Landscape Recommendation to develop policies and best practices for the protection of the property | | | | | | | |
| 5.3.7 | No use has been made of the Policy Document on the Impacts of Climate Change on World Heritage Properties at the property | | | | | | | |
| 5.3.9 | Some use has been made of the Strategy for Reducing Risks from Disasters at World Heritage Properties at the property | | | | | | | ✕ |
| 5.3.12 | The management system/plan is only partially adequate to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value | | | | | | | |
| 5.3.13 | The management system at the property is only being partially implemented | | | | | | | |
| 6.1 | Funding | | | | | | | |
| 6.1.3 | The available budget is acceptable but could be further improved to fully meet the management needs of the World Heritage property | | | | | | | ✕ |
| 6.1.7 | Human resources partly meet the management needs of the World Heritage property | | | | | | | ✕ |
| 6.1.12 | A site-based capacity building plan or programme is in place and partially implemented; some technical skills are being transferred to those managing the property locally, but most technical work is carried out by external staff | | | | | | | |
| 7 | Scientific Studies and Research Projects | | | | | | | |
| 7.2 | There is considerable research in the World Heritage property but it is not directed towards management needs and/or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value | | | | | | | |
| 8 | Education, Information and Awareness Building | | | | | | | |
| 8.2 | There is a planned education and awareness programme for children and/or youth but it only partly meets the needs | | | | | | | ✕ |
| 9 | Visitor Management | | | | | | | |
| 9.7 | There is a strategy to manage visitors, tourism activity and its derived impacts on the World Heritage property but there are some deficiencies in implementation | | | | | | | ✕ |
| 9.9 | Visitor use of the World Heritage property is managed but improvements could be made | | | | | | | |
| Please select 2 more issues. | | | | | | | | |
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12. Summary and Conclusions

12.1. Summary - Factors affecting the Property

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| 4.4 | Pollution | | | | | | |
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| 4.4.4 | Air pollution | No direct and tangible effect has been observed yet; However, the possibility of destructive effects on the buildings and their decorations are not unlikely. | 1- Emphasis on pedestrianization and reduction of care-based traffic around the Imam Square is in progress 2- Supporting new research projects on the subject by the cooperation of the universities and other institutions | 1- Supervision of the layers of architectural decorations of the WH complex is carried out periodically and if necessary, protection and restoration operations are performed on them. 2-The level of pollution is monitored every day | Monitoring is ongoing and we hope in a five year period with the help of research, some measures will be developed in this regard. | 1- Imam Square WH Base 2- Isfahan Municipality 3- Environment Organization 4- The art Universities of Isfahan and the University of Isfahan | It has a more adverse impact on architectural decorations, which is why monitoring such impact is extremely important. |

| 4.7 Local conditions affecting physical fabric | | | | | | | |
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| 4.7.7 | Pests | No impact on the Core Zone of the WHS has been observed so far, but the impact of termite have been reported in a number of important buildings in the Buffer zone. | 1-Study, identification and termination operations have been carried out on the historical monuments of Imam-zadeh Ahmad and the Goldsmith Bazaar. 2-The study, investigation and identification of termite effects on the WH Core Zone needs to be done. | 1- Termite removal and pest control are performed during the conservation and restoration of the monuments of the complex. 2- Monitoring of wooden structures in the Imam Square are on the agenda. | 1- the monitoring is done continuously. 2- The study should be done by 2025. | 1- Imam Square WH Base 2- Cultural Heritage, Tourism and Handicrafts Organization of Isfahan Province | Comprehensive studies should be done in this regard |
| 4.8 Social/Cultural uses of heritage | | | | | | | |
| 4.8.4 | Changes in traditional ways of life and knowledge system | 1-Good workmanship in various disciplines is key to ensure effective protection of the authenticity and integrity of the OUV. 2-While good workmanship exists at an acceptable level in the WHS,the traditional workman population is declining. | Promoting the using of the experiences of masters and transferring indigenous knowledge to future generations. | 1- Emphasis of the WH Base on the use of experienced masters in the restoration projects. 2- Documentation of the stages of work and preparation of visual documents, videos, photos of the stages of restoration works as well as biography. | Ongoing | 1- Imam Square WH Base 2- Cultural Heritage, Tourism and Handicrafts Organization of Isfahan Province | Masters should be praised and regarded. |
| 4.8.5 | Identity, social cohesion, changes in local population and community | Increasing domestic/overseas tourists, followed by the development of tourism infrastructure, encouraged gentrification, replacing the indigenous population that has a negative impact on the intangible heritages, cultural and identity of the BufferZ | 1-Maintaining original use, emphasizing on the production of local handicrafts in the Core Zone 2-Support the preservation of the original uses in the Buffer Zone. 3-Increasing building control and managing change with the building permission tool | 1- Inquiries are made case-by-case and permission are issued according to the Buffer Zone regulation. 2- Regular monitoring by the Cultural Heritage Administration and the Municipality. 3- A periodic plot by plot monitoring is suggested by MP. | Ongoing | 1- Imam Square WH Base. 2- The Cultural Heritage, Handicrafts and Tourism Organization of Isfahan Province 3- People and owners 4- The Municipality of Isfahan | Controlling and limiting the growing flow of change to historic houses to commercial, tourism and warehouses, etc. in favor of preserving the original uses. |

Summary - Factors affecting the Property completed

12.2. Summary - Management Needs

12.2.1 - Summary - Management Needs

| 5.1 Boundaries and Buffer Zones | | | | | |
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| | | Actions | Timeframe | Lead agency (and others involved) | More info / comment |
| 5.1.4 | The buffer zones of the World Heritage property are known and recognised by the management authority but are not known and recognized by local communities/landowners | Preparing brochures containing aware-rising information as to the Buffer Zone Use mass media to introduce and promote the Buffer Zone Developing the Website of Imam Square WH Base and promoting its Core and Buffer Zones. | Ongoing. | 1- Imam Square WH Base 2- Cultural Heritage, Tourism and Handicrafts Organization of Isfahan Province 3- Municipality of Isfahan | It is necessary to strengthen the documentation Centre and the website of the Imam Square WHS, providing related information as to introduce the WHS boundaries and Buffer Zone to the local community. |
| 5.2 Protective Measures | | | | | |
| 5.2.4 | An adequate legal framework in the buffer zone for maintaining the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and/or Integrity of the World Heritage | 1- The boundaries of the Buffer Zone have been revised and approved recently. 2-In the new Management Plan of the Imam Square, a systematic approach has been proposed in order to manage and process building permission in the Buffer Zone effectively. | ongoing | 1- Imam Square WH Base 2- Cultural Heritage, Tourism and Handicrafts Organization of Isfahan Province 3- Municipality of Isfahan | Increasing participation and cooperation with the different organizations and stakeholders in the WHS of Imam Square and carefully observing the regulation of the Buffer Zone is key to the management of changes and continuity. |

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| | property exists but there are some deficiencies in implementation | | | | |
| 5.2.5 | An adequate legal framework exists for the broader setting of the World Heritage property and the buffer zone, but there are some deficiencies in implementation which undermine the maintenance of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and/or Integrity of the property | 1- The protection of Isfahan's Historical and Cultural Axis has been approved in the past and it should be implemented as effective as possible. 2-The Historic City of Isfahan Research Base should be developed | The first part is continuous and ongoing The second part should be done by 2022 | 1- Cultural Heritage, Tourism and Handicrafts Organization of Isfahan Province 2- Isfahan Municipality 3- The headquarter of the Cultural Heritage Base Office 4- Isfahan Governor's Office | Proposal for the WH registration of the entire historical center of Isfahan connecting the two registered WHS of the Grand Mosque and Imam Square is important. |
| 5.3 | Management System/Management Plan | | | | |
| 5.3.9 | Some use has been made of the Strategy for Reducing Risks from Disasters at World Heritage Properties at the property | 1- Installation of fire extinguishers in buildings and bazaar 2-Establish fire stations near Imam Square 3-Imam Square Crisis Management Plan is being prepared | Ongoing | 1- Imam Square WH Base 2-Isfahan Fire Department 3- Cultural Heritage, Tourism and Handicrafts Organization of Isfahan Province 4- Isfahan Municipality | Imam Square Crisis Management Plan is being prepared. The crisis management plan will review the requirements |
| 6.1 | Funding | | | | |
| 6.1.3 | The available budget is acceptable but could be further improved to fully meet the management needs of the World Heritage property | Board of Trustees of Imam Square | Ongoing | 1- Cultural Heritage, Tourism and Handicrafts Organization of Isfahan Province 2- Isfahan Municipality 3- The headquarter of the Cultural Heritage Base Office 4- Isfahan Governor's Office | According to Becoming a board of trustees of Imam Square, this problem will be solved to some extent after going through the corona virus. |
| 6.1.7 | Human resources partly meet the management needs of the World Heritage property | Employing specialized experts in different fields of activity of Imam Square WH Base, including: urban conservation, architectural conservation, training and and education. | Until 2022 | 1- Imam Square WH Base 2- The Headquarter of the Cultural Heritage Base Office 3- The Ministry of Cultural Heritage, Tourism and Handicrafts | Emphasis is placed on recruiting in the short term and providing the required funding with a defined three priorities. |
| 8 | Education, Information and Awareness Building | | | | |
| 8.2 | There is a planned education and awareness programme for children and/or youth but it only partly meets the needs | 1- Strengthening the relationship and close cooperation with Schools to improve and promote the knowledge and awareness of the WHS in an effective and constructive way at different age and educational levels. 2- Employing outreach, training officer | The first part is continuous and ongoing The second part is short-term until 2022 | 1- Imam Square WH Base 2- General Directorate of Education 3- Public media 4- The headquarter of the Cultural Heritage Base Office 5- Artists, people and owners | Exchange knowledge and provide information for different age groups. |
| 9 | Visitor Management | | | | |

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| 9.7 | There is a strategy to manage visitors, tourism activity and its derived impacts on the World Heritage property but there are some deficiencies in implementation | 1- Planning and preparing tourism brochures with emphasis on how to visit based on age, expertise and duration of presence on the site. 2- Upgrading tourism infrastructure and visit management 3-Launching a virtual tourism tour of Imam Square | The first short-term phase until 2022 The second stage is continuous and ongoing The third phase until 2024 | 1- Imam Square WH Base 2- Isfahan Municipality 3- Deputy of Tourism of Cultural Heritage, Tourism and Handicrafts Organization of Isfahan Province 4- Tourism service companies 5- People and owners | The management plan of Imam Square provides basic solutions. |
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Summary - Management Needs completed

12.3. Conclusions on the State of Conservation of the Property

12.3.1 - Following the analysis undertaken for this report, what is the current state of Authenticity of the World Heritage property?

The Authenticity of the World Heritage property **has been preserved**

12.3.2 - Following the analysis undertaken for this report, what is the current state of Integrity of the World Heritage property?

The Integrity of the World Heritage property is **intact**

12.3.3 - Following the analysis undertaken for this report, what is the current state of the World Heritage property's Outstanding Universal Value?

The World Heritage property's Outstanding Universal Value has been **maintained**.

12.3.4 - What is the 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 **intact**

12.3.5 - Comments, conclusions and/or recommendations related to the state of conservation of the property.

13. Impact of World Heritage Status

13.1 - Please rate the impacts of World Heritage status of the property in relation to the following areas

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Conservation | Very positive |
| Research and monitoring | Very positive |
| Management effectiveness | Very positive |
| Quality of life for local communities and indigenous peoples | Very positive |
| Recognition | Very positive |
| Education | Very positive |
| Infrastructure development | Very positive |
| Funding for the property | Positive |
| International cooperation | Very positive |
| Political support for conservation | Very positive |
| Legal/Policy framework | Very positive |
| Advocacy | Very positive |
| Institutional coordination | Very positive |
| Security | Very positive |
| Gender equality | Very positive |
| Provision of ecosystem services/ benefits to local communities | Very positive |
| Social inclusion and equity, and improvement of opportunities for all, irrespective of age, sex, disability, ethnicity, origin, religion, or economic or other status | Very positive |
| Fostering inclusive local economic development and enhancing livelihood | Very positive |
| Contributing to conflict prevention, including respect for cultural diversity within and around heritage properties | Very positive |
| Other | Not applicable |
| If 'Other', please specify | |

13.2 - Comments, conclusions and/or recommendations related to World Heritage status and its impacts

14. Good Practice in the Implementation of the World Heritage Convention

14.1 - Example of good practice in World Heritage protection, identification, conservation or management at the property level

1- Strengthening and restoration of the porch of Ali Qapu 2-Restoration of tiling decorations of the dome of Imam Mosque. 3-Restoration of the tile decorations of the dome of Sheikh Lotfollah Mosque. 4-Restoration of the roofs of the northern Bazaar. 5-Restoration of the north side of Ali Qapu. 6-Restoration of the decorations of Ali Qapu Palace 7-Restoration of Imam Mosque tile decorations

14.2 - Define which topics are covered by this example of best practice at the property level

Sustainable Development

Synergies

State of Conservation

Management

Governance

Capacity Building

15. Assessment of the Periodic Reporting Exercise

15.1. Relevance of Periodic Reporting

15.1.1 - Has the Periodic Reporting process improved the understanding of the following?

The *World Heritage Convention*

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

Management effectiveness to maintain the Outstanding Universal Value

Monitoring and reporting

15.1.2 - Please rate the follow-up to conclusions and recommendations from previous Periodic Reporting exercise by the following entities

| | |
|--|------|
| State Party | Good |
| Site Managers | Good |
| UNESCO World Heritage Centre | Good |
| Advisory Bodies (ICOMOS, IUCN, ICCROM) | Good |

15.2. Use of Data

15.2.1 - How do the authorities in charge of the property plan to use the data recorded from this cycle of Periodic Reporting?

Revision of priorities/strategies/policies for the protection, management and conservation of heritage

Update of management plans

Fundraising

Awareness raising

Advocacy

15.2.2 - Comments on use of data from the Cycle of Periodic Reporting

15.3. Timing and resources

15.3.1 - Entities involved in the filling out of this online questionnaire (tick as many boxes as applicable)

Governmental institutions responsible for cultural and natural heritage

Site Manager/Coordinator World Heritage property staff

Focal points of other international conventions/programmes

Responsible persons for local designated sites under other international conventions/ programmes

Staff from other World Heritage properties

UNESCO National Commission

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|--------------------------------|
| Local communities |
| Indigenous people |
| Non-Governmental Organizations |
| ICOMOS International |
| ICOMOS national/regional |
| ICCROM International/regional |
| External experts |
| Donors |

15.3.2 - Has a gender balanced contribution and participation been considered in the filling out of this questionnaire?

Gender balance **is explicitly considered and effectively implemented** in the process.

15.3.3 - Were you given adequate time (i.e. roughly ten months) to gather necessary information and to fill in this questionnaire?

Yes

15.3.4 - Please estimate the time (working hours) needed to complete this questionnaire

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15.3.5 - Did you mobilise any additional resources to fill out this questionnaire?

| | Additional resources | No | Yes |
|----------|--|----|-----|
| 15.3.5.1 | Human resources | × | |
| 15.3.5.2 | Financial resources for organizing consultation meetings/ training | × | |

15.4. Format and content of the Periodic Report

15.4.1 - How accessible was the information required to complete this questionnaire?

All required information was accessible.

15.4.2 - Was the questionnaire easy to use and clear to understand?

| | | Very Difficult | Difficult | Easy | Very easy |
|----------|------------------------------|----------------|-----------|------|-----------|
| 15.4.2.1 | Ease of use of questionnaire | | | | × |
| 15.4.2.2 | Clarity of questions | | | | × |

15.4.3 - Please provide suggestions for improvement of the Periodic Reporting questionnaire

15.5. Training and Guidance

15.5.1 - Please rate the level of support in terms of training and guidance from the following entities in completing this questionnaire

| | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|
| UNESCO World Heritage Centre | Good |
| UNESCO (other sectors/field offices) | Good |
| UNESCO National Commission | No support |
| ICOMOS International | Good |
| IUCN International | Good |
| ICCROM international/regional | No support |
| ICOMOS national/regional | No support |
| IUCN national/regional | No support |

15.5.2 - Please rate the level of support for completing the Periodic Reporting questionnaire from the following entities

| | |
|---|------------|
| UNESCO World Heritage Centre | Good |
| State Party Representative (national Focal Point) | No support |
| UNESCO other sectors (e.g. field office) | No support |
| National Commission for UNESCO | Good |
| ICOMOS International | No support |
| ICCROM International/regional | No support |
| ICOMOS national/regional | No support |

| | |
|------------------------|------------|
| IUCN national/regional | No support |
| IUCN International | No support |

15.5.3 - Were the online training resources prepared by the World Heritage Centre regarding Periodic Reporting adequate for you to complete this questionnaire?

Yes

15.5.4 - If you found that the online training resources were not adequate, what changes would you like to see implemented?

15.6. Actions that will require formal consideration by the World Heritage Committee

15.6.1 - Summary of actions that will require formal consideration by the World Heritage Committee

- **Geographic information table**

Reason for update: property (ha) : 13 Buffer zone (ha) : 57

- **Map(s)**

Reason for update: The map of Meidan Emam, Esfahan in 2018 has been sent to the World Heritage Committee but, the map is not presented here.

Changes to these items will need to go through the proper processes.

15.7. Comments, conclusions and/or recommendations related to the Assessment of the Periodic Reporting Exercise

15.7.1 - Comments, conclusions and/or recommendations related to the Assessment of the Periodic Reporting Exercise

15.7.2 - Thank you for having filled in all the questions. Please contact your National Focal Point for validation.