Sinharaja Forest Reserve

1. World Heritage Property Data

1.1 - Name of World Heritage property

Sinharaja Forest Reserve

1.2 - World Heritage property details

1.3 - Geographic information table

Name	Coordinates	Property (ha)	Buffer zone (ha)	Total (ha)	Inscription year
Sinharaja Forest Reserve	6.417 / 80.5	8864	0	8864	1988
Total (ha)		8864	0	8864	
1.4 - Map(s)					

Title	Date	Link to source
Sinharaja Forest Reserve	1986	
Sinharaja Forest Reserve - Map of the inscribed property	2012	

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

1. Natural site datasheet from WCMC

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

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?

Not applicable

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? Not applicable

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?

Not applicable

2.6 - Do your national authorities intend to apply for whole or part of World Heritage property to be designated as a UNESCO Global

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.	×
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.	
2.7.4	Man and the Biosphere (MAB) Programme	
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.	×
2.7.5	UNESCO Global Geoparks	
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 - Please indicate the level of cooperation at property level between designations under different Conventions/Programmes

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

This property is declared only as Biosphere Reserve of UNESCO.

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

This is not inscribed as Cultural Heritage.

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

Not aware

2.12 - Please list any documentary heritage associated with the World Heritage property listed under the Memory of the World Programme of which you 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 Encompassing the last extensive patch of primary lowland rainforest in Sri Lanka, Sinharaja Forest Reserve is situated in the south-west lowland wet zone of Sri Lanka. Covering an area of 8,864 ha and ranging from an altitude of 300 – 1,170 meters, it consists of 6,092 ha of Forest Reserve and 2,772 ha of Proposed Forest Reserve. This narrow strip of undulating terrain encompasses a series of ridges and valleys that are crisscrossed by an intricate network of streams. Draining to both the south and north, this detailed matrix of waterways flow into the Gin River on the southern boundary of the property and Kalu River via the Napola Dola, Koskulana Ganga and Kudawa Ganga on its northern boundary. Annual rainfall over the last 60 years has ranged from 3614 - 5006 mm with most of the precipitation during the south-west monsoon (May-July) and the north-east monsoon (November- January).

Sri Lanka is home to 830 endemic species, of which 217 trees and woody climbers are found in the low land wet zone. Of these, 139 (64%) have been recorded in the reserve including 16 rare species. Faunal endemism is particularly high for birds with 19 (95%) of 20 species recorded in the property being endemic to Sri Lanka. Endemism among mammals and butterflies is also greater than 50%. A number of threatened, endangered and rare species occur within the reserve including: leopard *Panthera pardus*), Indian elephant (*Elephas maxiumus*), endemic purple-faced Langur (*Presbytis senex*), Sri Lanka wood pigeon (*Columba torringtoni*), green-billed Coucal (*Centropus chlororrhynchus*), Sri Lanka white-headed starling (*Sturnus senex*), Sri Lanka blue magpie (*Cissa ornate*), ashy-headed babbler (*Garrulax cinereifrons*) and Sri Lanka broad-billed roller (*Eurystomus orientalis irisi*).

Criterion (ix): Sinharaja is the last remaining relatively undisturbed remnant of tropical humid evergreen forest in Sri Lanka. The property's flora is a relic of Gondwanaland and provides an important component to our scientific understanding of continental drift and an outstanding site for the study of the processes of biological evolution. A geological feature of considerable interest is the presence of the Sinharaja basic zone, with the reserve located within the transition zone of two important rock types characteristic of Sri Lanka; the south-western group and the highland group.

Criterion (x): Endemism within the property is extremely high. Protecting the last viable remnant of Sri Lanka's tropical lowland rainforest, Sinharaja is home to at least 139 endemic plant species within two main types of forest: remnants of *Dipterocarpus* in the valleys and on the lower slopes, and secondary forest and scrub where the original forest cover has been removed. Sixteen of the endemic plant species within the property are considered rare, including endemic palms *Loxococcus rupicola* and *Atalantia rotundifolia*.

Faunal endemism is also high, particularly for mammals, birds and butterflies, exceeding 50%. Nineteen (95%) of Sri Lanka's 20 endemic birds are present in the property, which is also home to leopard and Indian elephant, both of which are threatened species.

Integrity

Sinharaja Forest Reserve forms a sufficiently large conservation unit for the in-situ conservation of rare and endangered species while sustaining the on-going biological evolutionary processes for which it was inscribed. Surrounded by 13 other adjacent natural forest areas that provide an added layer of protection to the property the boundaries however, require further definition and demarcation.

Efforts are also being made by the management agency to further enhance the conservation status of the reserve through regulation of land uses occurring in the area surrounding the property, which hopes to further reduce the impact of intensive land use on the values of Sinharaja. Illicit timber felling, gemming and poaching continue to be of concern with regards to the impacts on the values and integrity of the property, but the high level of public support for nature conservation and the large number of government bodies involved in regulation and proposal approval, results in strong opposition to resource exploitation proposals.

Protection and management requirements

Noted as a national heritage wilderness area on October 21st 1988, the majority of the area within the property was originally declared a forest reserve on May 3rd 1875, providing a long history of protection. The property is afforded the highest level of legal protection under the National Heritage and Wilderness Area Act of Sri Lanka and almost all the peripheral natural forests along the boundary have already been declared as conservation forests or reserved forests under the Forest Ordinance. The values encompassed by the property were further recognised when it was declared a Biosphere Reserve in April 1978 and subsequently inscribed on the World Heritage.

Sinharaja World Heritage property is managed directly by the Divisional Forest Officer from the Forest Department, under the authority of the Ministry of Lands and Land Development. A National Steering Committee coordinates the institutions for Sinharaja as a National Wilderness Area, Biosphere Reserve and World Heritage site. Management practices and research are executed in accordance with the prescriptions of the respective management plans, prepared for the Sinharaja Conservation Area as well as the property's peripheral natural forests, under the national forest policy directives. The management plans for the property, prepared in 1985/86 and 1992/94, emphasize conservation, scientific research, buffer zone management, benefit sharing, and community participation.

Sinharaja is provided with the highest level of legal protection under the National Heritage Wilderness Area Act and a high level of environmental awareness of the local community is extremely helpful in implementing management plan prescriptions. Forest dependency of local communities is very low and maintaining this healthy partnership with local communities is the main strategy to ensure future protection of this property. Historically protected as a result of its inaccessibility and steep, hilly terrain, the Forest Department prioritizes protection of the reserve over development pressures and resource extraction. Visitor numbers remain low with entry by permit only.

Threats to the values and integrity of the property primarily come from encroaching cultivation, particularly along the southern boundary. Development undertaken outside the property indirectly impacts the site through road developments which subsequently open up routes and entry points into the property, facilitating illegal logging and removal of resources, with illegal gem mining also posing a threat. The traditional use of forest products is now restricted to areas outside the boundaries.

Low staffing levels hinder the policing of offences and a lack of funding is a barrier to the effective, long-term management of the area. The management agency, the Sri Lankan Forestry Department has designated the management of Sinharaja a high priority, allocating funds according to the priorities spelled out in the management plan and on-going management programmes.

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
3.2.1	Processes of biological evolution	×			
3.2.2	Geological feature	×			
3.2.3	Endemism	×			
3.2.4	Biodiversity	×			
3.2.5	Rock types characteristic of Sri Lanka	×			
3.2.6	Fora of relic of Gondwanaland	×			
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3.2.15			

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

The Sinharaja Forest Reserve World Heritage site is fully protected to preserve the outstanding universal values under National Heritage Wilderness Area Act.

4. Factors Affecting the Property

4.1. Buildings and Development

4.1.1 - Housing

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):

Not relevant

Relevant			× Not releva	ant			
4.1.2 - Commercial develop Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/ • Not relevant							
Relevant			× Not releva	ant			
4.1.3 - Industrial areas Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/ • Not relevant	(2011):						
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 4.1.4 - Major visitor accom Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/ Not relevant 		associated infra	structure				
Relevant			× Not releva	ant			
 4.1.5 - Interpretative and vi Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/ • Relevant, Positive, Negat 	(2011):						
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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

Information centers, nature trails are developed in the site without affecting outstanding universal values of the property. These facilities support presentation of the property.

4.2. Transportation Infrastructure

4.2.1 - Ground transport infrastructure

- Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):
 - Not relevant

Negative

Relevant

X Not relevant

4.2.2 - Underground transport infrastructure

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): • Not relevant	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.2.3 - Air transport infrastructure Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.2.4 - Marine transport infrastructure Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.2.5 - Effects arising from use of transportation infrastruct Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	cture
Relevant	X Not relevant
4.2.6 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors s positively No transport facilities are developed within the forest except existing m	selected as relevant in 4.2 are affecting the property either negatively or inor road which villagers traditionally use.
4.3. Services Infrastructures	
4.3.1 - Water infrastructurePrevious answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):Not relevant	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.3.2 - Renewable energy facilities Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.3.3 - Non-renewable energy facilities Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.3.4 - Localised utilities Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.3.5 - Major linear utilities Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
4.3.6 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors s positively	selected as relevant in 4.3 are affecting the property either negatively or

4.4. Pollution

4.4.1 - Pollution of marine waters

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):

Not relevant

Relevant

× Not relevant

4.4.2 - Ground water pollution

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):

Not relevant

Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.4.3 - Surface water pollution Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.4.4 - Air pollution Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.4.5 - Solid waste Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Relevant, Negative, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.4.6 - Input of excess energy Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
4.4.7 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors s positively	elected as relevant in 4.4 are affecting the property either negatively or
4.5. Biological resource use/modification	
 4.5.1 - Fishing/collecting aquatic resources Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
4.5.2 - AquaculturePrevious answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):Not relevant	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.5.3 - Land conversion Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.5.4 - Livestock farming/Grazing of domesticated animals Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.5.5 - Crop production Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.5.6 - Commercial wild plant collection Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant

4.5.7 - Subsistence wild plant collection

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):

• Relevant, Negative, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

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4.5.8 - Commercial hunting Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/ • Not relevant							
Relevant			X Not relevant				
 4.5.9 - Subsistence hunting Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 							
Relevant			X Not relevant				
4.5.10 - Forestry/Wood pro Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/ • 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

Collection of Non timber forest products by local people make low negative impact on forest and OUV. However, this secure the traditional rights of the people. It maintain the positive attitudes of the people toward the property which is a positive impact on the property.

4.6. Physical resource extraction

4.6.1 - Mining

- Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):
 - Not relevant

Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.6.2 - Quarrying Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.6.3 - Oil and gas Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.6.4 - Water (extraction) Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X 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 (31/07/2011):

Not relevant

Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.7.2 - Relative humidity Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
4.7.3 - TemperaturePrevious answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):Not relevant	
Relevant	X Not relevant
4.7.4 - Radiation/LightPrevious answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):Not relevant	
Relevant	X Not relevant
4.7.5 - DustPrevious answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):Not relevant	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.7.6 - Water (rain/water table) Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
4.7.7 - PestsPrevious answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):Not relevant	
Relevant	X Not relevant
4.7.8 - Micro-organismsPrevious answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):Not relevant	
Relevant	X Not relevant
4.7.9 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors s positively	selected as relevant in 4.7 are affecting the property either negatively or
4.8. Social/Cultural uses of heritage	
 4.8.1 - Ritual/Spiritual/Religious and associative uses Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.8.2 - Society's valuing of heritage Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.8.3 - Indigenous hunting, gathering and collecting Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.8.4 - Changes in traditional ways of life and knowledge s Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	system

× Not relevant

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

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):

Not relevant

Relevant	X Not relevant

4.8.6 - Impacts of tourism/Visitation/Recreation

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):

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

X Relevant				Not relevant			
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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

Visitors arrive the site mostly during the weekends and school vacations. There is no over visitation. The knowledge and positive attitudes develop towards the property have positive effect. There is no considerable negative impacts from tourism. 90% of the visitors behave properly within the world heritage site.

4.9. Other human activities

4.9.1 - Illegal activities

- Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):
 - Not relevant

Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.9.2 - Deliberate destruction of heritage Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
4.9.3 - Military trainingPrevious answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):Not relevant	
Relevant	X Not relevant
4.9.4 - WarPrevious answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):Not relevant	
Relevant	X Not relevant
4.9.5 - TerrorismPrevious answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):Not relevant	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.9.6 - Civil unrest Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant

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 (31/07/2011): • Not relevant

Relevant	X Not relevant
4.10.2 - FloodingPrevious answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):Not relevant	
Relevant	X Not relevant
4.10.3 - DroughtPrevious answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):Not relevant	
Relevant	X Not relevant
4.10.4 - DesertificationPrevious answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):Not relevant	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.10.5 - Changes to oceanic waters Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
4.10.6 - Temperature changePrevious answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):Not relevant	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.10.7 - Other climate change impacts Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
4.10.8 - Please comment as necessary on how the factors positively	selected as relevant in 4.10 are affecting the property either negatively or
4.11. Sudden ecological or geological events	
 4.11.1 - Volcanic eruption Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
4.11.2 - EarthquakePrevious answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):Not relevant	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.11.3 - Tsunami/Tidal wave Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
 4.11.4 - Avalanche/Landslide Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011): Not relevant 	
Relevant	X Not relevant
4.11.5 - Erosion and siltation/Deposition	

4.11.5 - Erosion and siltation/Deposition

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):

Not relevant

× Not relevant

4.11.6 - Fire (wildfire)

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):

Not relevant

Relevant

× Not relevant

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 (31/07/2011):
 - Relevant, Negative, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

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4.12.4 - Invasive/Alien mari Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/: • Not relevant	-						
Relevant			× Not relevant				
4.12.5 - Hyper-abundant sp Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/ • Not relevant							
Relevant			X Not relevant				
4.12.6 - Modified genetic m Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/ • Not relevant							
Relevant			× Not relevant				

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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4.13.2 - Legal framework

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4.13.3 - Governance									

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4.13.4 - Management activities

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):

• Relevant, Positive, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

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4.13.5 - Financial resources

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4.13.6 - Human resources

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4.13.7 - Low impact research/monitoring activities

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):

• Relevant, Positive, Current, Potential, Inside, Outside

X Relevant				Not relevant				
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Negative								

4.13.8 - High impact research/monitoring activities

Previous answer Cycle 2 (31/07/2011):

Not relevant

× Not relevant

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 4.1 Buildings and Development				Impact			Origin	Trend	
4.1.5 Interpretative and visitation facilities				0	4	9	۲	Ċ	→
4.5 Biological resource use/modification									
4.5.7 Subsistence wild plant collection									
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4.8 Social/Cultural uses of heritage									
4.8.6 Impacts of tourism/Visitation/Recreat	ion			٢	9	9	٢	۴	
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4.12 Invasive/alien species or hyper-abund	lant species								
4.12.1 Translocated species									
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4.13 Management and institutional factors									
4.13.1 Management system/Management p	lan			٢	9				→
4.13.2 Legal framework				٢	9	9	۹	۲	
4.13.3 Governance				٢	9		٢	Ċ	→
4.13.4 Management activities				٢	9	9	۲	٢	→
4.13.5 Financial resources				٢	9	9	۹		→
4.13.6 Human resources				٢	9	9	٢	Ċ	
4.13.7 Low impact research/monitoring act	tivities			٢	9	9	۲	Ċ	→
Legend Current	Potential	Negative	O Positive	Insi	de		C Outsie	de	

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	ł	Origin			Trend
4.1.5 Interpretative and visitation facilities	٢	9	9	۲	Ċ	\rightarrow

Spatial sca	Ile - 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 - Im	pact on the attributes								
	Insignificant								
×	Minor								
	Significant								
	Major								
Manageme	nt response - Capacity of management to respond								
	High capacity								
×	Medium capacity								
	Low capacity								
	No capacity and / or resources								
Trend - Dev	velopement over the last 6 years								
	Decreasing								
	Static								

× Increasing

4.5 Biological resource use/modification

Name		Impact			Origin		Trend
4.5.7 Subs	stence wild plant collection						
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	Widespread						
Temporal s	scale - Occurence of the impact						
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	Intermittent or sporadic						
	Frequent						
	On-going						
Impact - Im	pact on the attributes						

×	Insignificant
	Minor
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	Major
Manageme	Int response - Capacity of management to respond
×	High capacity
	Medium capacity
	Low capacity
	No capacity and / or resources
Trend - De	velopement over the last 6 years
×	Decreasing
	Static
	Increasing

4.8 Social/Cultural uses of heritage

Name		Impact	:		Origin		Trend
4.8.6 Impa	ts of tourism/Visitation/Recreation	٢	9	9	۲	۴	
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	Localised						
	Extensive						
	Widespread						
Temporal s	scale - Occurence of the impact						
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×	Intermittent or sporadic						
	Frequent						
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	Significant						
	Major						
Manageme	nt response - Capacity of management to respond						
	High capacity						
×	Medium capacity						
	Low capacity						
	No capacity and / or resources						
Trend - De	velopement over the last 6 years						
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	Static						
	Increasing						

4.12 Invasive/alien species or hyper-abundant species

Name		Impact		Origin		Trend	
4.12.1 Tran	slocated species						
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Spatial sca	le - Area affected by the factor						
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	Extensive						
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	Intermittent or sporadic						
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	Significant						
	Major						
Manageme	nt response - Capacity of management to respond						
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	Medium capacity						
	Low capacity						
	No capacity and / or resources						
Trend - Dev	velopement over the last 6 years						
×	Decreasing						
	Static						
	Increasing						

4.13 Management and institutional factors

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4.13.1 Man	agement system/Management plan	٢	9				→		
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	Localised								
	Extensive								
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	One off or rare								

	Intermittent or sporadic						
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	Low capacity						
	No capacity and / or resources						
Trend - De	velopement over the last 6 years						
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Name		Impact			Origin	Trend	
4.13.2 Leg	al framework	٩	4	9	٢	Ċ	

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Extensive	
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Temporal scale - Occurence of the impact	
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Intermittent or sporadic	
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Management response - Capacity of management to respond	
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Medium capacity	
Low capacity	
No capacity and / or resources	
Trend - Developement over the last 6 years	

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Name		Impact		Origin		Trend	
4.13.3 Gove	ernance	٢	9		۲	۴	→
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Temporal s	cale - Occurence of the impact						
	One off or rare						
	Intermittent or sporadic						
	Frequent						
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Manageme	nt response - Capacity of management to respond						
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	Medium capacity						
	Low capacity						
	No capacity and / or resources						
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	Extensive
	Widespread
Temporal s	scale - Occurence of the impact
	One off or rare

	Intermittent or sporadic			
×	Frequent			
	On-going			
Impact - Im	apact on the attributes			
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	Significant			
	Major			
Manageme	Int response - Capacity of management to respond			
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	Low capacity			
	No capacity and / or resources			
Trend - De	velopement over the last 6 years			
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	Increasing			
Name		Impact	Origin	Trend

Name	Impact	Impact		Origin		Trend
4.13.5 Financial resources	٢	9	9	۲		→

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	Extensive			
	Widespread			
Temporal	I scale - Occurence of the impact			
	One off or rare			
	Intermittent or sporadic			
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	Minor			
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Managemo	nent response - Capacity of management to respond			
	High capacity			
×	Medium capacity			
	Low capacity			
	No capacity and / or resources			
Trend - De	Developement over the last 6 years			

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Name		Impact			Origin		Trend
4.13.6 Hum	4.13.6 Human resources		9	9	۲	G	
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	Restricted						
×	Localised						
	Extensive						
	Widespread						
Temporal s	cale - Occurence of the impact						
	One off or rare						
	Intermittent or sporadic						
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	On-going						
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	Insignificant						
	Minor						
×	Significant						
	Major						
Manageme	nt response - Capacity of management to respond						
	High capacity						
×	Medium capacity						
	Low capacity						
	No capacity and / or resources						
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Name	Impact			Origin		Trend
4.13.7 Low impact research/monitoring activities	٢	9	9	٢	Ċ	→

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	Significant
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Manageme	nt response - Capacity of management to respond
	High capacity
×	Medium capacity
	Low capacity
	No capacity and / or resources
Trend - Dev	velopement over the last 6 years
	Decreasing
×	Static
	Increasing
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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

This property is not a serial inscripation

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	Process of biological evolution	×			
4.18.1.2	Geological features	×			
4.18.1.3	Endemism	×			
4.18.1.4	Biodiversity	×			
4.18.1.5	Flora of Relic of Gondwanaland	×			

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 property has no buffer zone, but there is a need for one

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

The property has no known and recognised buffer zone

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

There is no buffer zone for the property at the inscription. However surrounding forests to the property is declared as Reserved Forest Complex in 2019. This complex amounts to a total 36,474 ha of many high quality connected forests, and highlights the serious commitment of the State Party to conserve the integrity and sensitive habitats for species of universal value within the Sinharaja World Heritage Site.

5.2. Protective Measures

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

In addition to the World Heritage Convention, the relevant laws protecting the propertys are the:

- Forest Ordinance (1907) and the
- National Heritage Wilderness Areas Act (1988).

Source: Periodic Reporting Cycle 2

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

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?

The legal framework for maintaining of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and/or Integrity of the World Heritage property provides an adequate basis for effective management and protection

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?

The property has no buffer zone

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?

The legal framework for the broader setting of the World Heritage property provides an adequate basis for effective management and protection of the property, contributing to the maintenance of its Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and/or Integrity

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 The Property is protected by the National Heritage Wilderness area act and surrounding forests are protected by the Forest Conservation Ordinance. These acts regulate the activities carried out in the property. I addition prescribed interventions can only be carried out only after an EIA/IEE according the National Environmental Act. All the planed activities are implemented according to guidelines of the EIA. Staff have been appointed to manage property and surrounding forests.

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

There are some deficiencies of staff memebers.

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.

A management plan

5.3.3 - Please give a brief description of the management system currently in place at your property The management plan is prepared and implemented with the participation of stakeholders.

5.3.4 - Management Documents

Comment

Mange plan is present

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?

No 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.

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 ? No 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

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 but few 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					

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				×	
5.3.16.13	Other specific groups	×				
	If you selected 'Other specific groups', please specify	Community Based Organizations				

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

Management system focused on preservation of OUV and attention is paid to improve livelihood local communities through Nature based tourism and buffer zone development activities.

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.)	80 %	20 %
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)	0 %	0 %
6.1.1.7	Governmental (regional/provincial/state)	20 %	78 %
6.1.1.8	Governmental (local/municipal)	0 %	0 %
6.1.1.9	In-country donations (NGOs, foundations, etc.)	0 %	2 %
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

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 Most of the funds comes from the world bank funded project. These funds are used for mainly for projects. Government funds are utilized mainly for running costs.

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 %
6.1.6.1	Men	60 %	90 %
6.1.6.2	Women	40 %	10 %
		Total 100 %	Total 100 %

6.1.7 - Are available human resources adequate to manage the World Heritage property? Human resources are adequate for management needs

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	Fair

Community participation and inclusion	Fair
Risk preparedness	Poor
Capacity development and education	Fair
Administration	Fair
Research and monitoring	Fair
Awareness raising and public information/communication	Fair
Marketing and promotion	Poor
Interpretation	Fair
Visitor management/tourism	Fair
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	Fair
Environmental sustainability	Fair
Community participation and inclusion	Not applicable
Risk preparedness	Poor
Capacity development and education	Fair
Administration	Fair
Research and monitoring	Poor
Awareness raising and public information/communication	Fair
Marketing and promotion	Poor
Interpretation	Fair
Visitor management/tourism	Poor
Enforcement (custodians, police)	Poor

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

No use has been made of 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

Capacity development on implementation of world heritage convention and interpretation service should be done.

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

Number of researches are carried out within the property. Even though, research priorities are identified there is no exact research plan for the property.

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

Sinharaja Forest Reserve

amongst the following groups

Local communities	Poor
Local/municipal authorities	Poor
Indigenous peoples	Not applicable
Landowners	Not applicable
Women	Poor
Youth/children	Fair
Researchers	Good
Local visitors	Good
National/international tourists	Good
Tourism industry	Fair
Local businesses and industries	Poor
NGOs	Good
Other specific groups	Not applicable
If you selected 'Other specific groups', please describe	

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 **limited and ad hoc education** and awareness programme for children and/or youth

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

cal communities	
puth/children	
searchers	
cal Visitors	
ational/international tourists	
urism industry	
GOs	

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	Poor
Site museum	Not provided but needed
Information booths	Fair
Guided tours	Fair
Trails/routes	Fair
Printed information materials	Fair
Online (website, social media, etc.)	Poor
Transportation facilities	Poor
Other	Not needed
If 'Other' is selected, please specify	

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

Education and information provision is mainly done in guided tours and printed materials. It is planned to construct visitor center.

9. Visitor Management

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

27000 / 56000 / 56000 / 45000 / 15000 /

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

Accommodation establishments

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

One day (no overnight stay)

9.4 - Please provide the source of information

Number of ticket issues, Number of days stayed

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

5/5/10/5/10/10/

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?

There is **some management** of the visitor use of the World Heritage property

9.10 - Is the effectiveness of tourism management regularly monitored?

No

If a different system, please specify

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 contact between those responsible for the World Heritage property and the tourism industry but this is largely confined to administrative or regulatory matters

9.12 - How well is the information on the Outstanding Universal Value of the property presented and interpreted? The presentation and interpretation of the Outstanding Universal Value of the property is acceptable but improvements could be made

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

In many locations 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, but make no contribution to the management of the World Heritage property

9.15 - Are there locally driven sustainable tourism initiatives?

Yes

If 'Yes', please specify

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

If 'Yes', please specify

Local youths are employed as giudes. There are lodges run by local people.

9.17 - Comments, conclusions and/or recommendations related to visitation/tourism/public use of the World Heritage property Tourism is done four locations. Lodges are built in the periphery of the 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 considerable monitoring but it is not directed towards management needs and/or improving the understanding of 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 sufficient to define key indicators, but this has not been done

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	Fair
Local/municipal authorities	Poor
Local communities	Poor
Indigenous peoples	Not applicable
Landowners	Not applicable
Women	Poor
Researchers	Fair
Tourism industry	Poor
Local businesses and industry	Poor
NGOs	Fair
Other specific groups	Not applicable
If you selected 'Other specific groups', please specify	

10.6 - Has the State Party implemented relevant recommendations arising from the World Heritage Committee? No relevant Committee recommendations to implement

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

11. Identification of Priority Management Needs

11.1 - Identification of Priority Management Needs

5.1	Boundaries and Buffer Zones	
5.1.3	The property has no buffer zone, but there is a need for one	
5.1.4	The property has no known and recognised buffer zone	×
5.2	Protective Measures	
5.2.4	The property has no buffer zone	×
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	No 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	No 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	
5.3.14	An annual work/action plan exists for the property but few of the activities are being implemented	
5.3.17	 The management system of the World Heritage property does not contribute to gender equality In a limited manner, the management system of the World Heritage property does contribute to social inclusion and equity, improving opportunities for all, irrespective of age, sex, disability, ethnicity, origin, religion or economic or other status 	
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	

6.1.10	No use has been made of the World Heritage Strategy for Capacity Development at 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 limited and ad hoc education and awareness programme for children and/or youth	
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	There is some management of the visitor use of the World Heritage property	
9.11	There is contact but this is largely confined to administrative or regulatory matters There is contact between those responsible for the World Heritage property and the tourism industry but this is largely confined to administrative or regulatory matters	
9.12	The presentation and interpretation of the Outstanding Universal Value of the property is acceptable but improvements could be made	×
10	Monitoring	
10.1	There is considerable monitoring at the World Heritage property but it is not directed towards management needs and/or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value	
10.2	Information on the values of the World Heritage property is sufficient to define key indicators, but this has not been done	
Pleas	e select 4 more issues.	
와 Ple	ase save this question to reflect changes	

12. Summary and Conclusions

12.1. Summary - Factors affecting the Property

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4.5		Biological re	Biological resource use/modification									
4.5.7	wild	ubsistence Biodiversity Id plant Illection		Encourage sustainable collection, domestication of wild plants		Con	ıtinuously	2022-2025		Forest Department	No significant damage to OUV	
4.8		Social/Cultural uses of heritage										
4.8.6	Impacts of Biodiversity tourism/Visitation/Recreation		Biodiversity		Education of visitors, Control visitor arrival		Continuous	2022-2025		Forest Department	No significant impact on OUV	
4.12		Invasive/alie	n species o	or hyper-abun	dant spec	ies						
4.12.1		Translocated species		ess of biologication	al Rer plar	nove invasive nts	Cont	inuous	2022	Fores	st Department	No significant impact on OUV
Summary - Factors affecting the Property completed												

12.2. Summary - Management Needs

12.2.1 - Summary - Management Needs

5.1	Boundaries and I	Boundaries and Buffer Zones								
		Actions	Timeframe	Lead agency (and others involved)	More info / comment					
5.1.4	The property has no known and recognised buffer zone	Identify a buffer zone, map the buffer zone, declaration of the buffer zone	2025	Forest Department, Plantation companies	There are forest areas around the property these forests can be declared as buffer zone,					
5.2	Protective M	easures								

5.2.4	The property has no buffe zone		2025	Forest Department	Adjoining forest lands will be declared as buffer zone
5.3	Management S	System/Management Plan			
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	Policy document is studied Use the policies mentioned in management world heritages	2023 of	Forest Department	There is no significant impact on climate change on the property
7	Scientific Studies a	nd Research Projects			
7.2	considerablewresearch in thewWorld HeritageF	Research areas required for managemen vill be listed Research areas to improve understanding of OUV will be listed Researchers are promoted to do research on these areas		Forest Department	Workshop will be held with researchers
9	Visitor Manageme	ent			
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	Deficiencies will be identified Take actions to improve visitor management	2023	Forest Department	Comprehensive ecotourism management will be developed
9.12	The presentation and interpretation of the Outstanding Universal Value of the property is acceptable but improvements could be made	Improve presentation and interpretation services by providing more facilities and more information	2022	Forest Department	Materials will be produced to improve information service

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. Other stakeholders should be further aware about the integrity and OUV.

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	Positive
Recognition	Very positive
Education	Positive
Infrastructure development	Not applicable
Funding for the property	Positive
International cooperation	Positive
Political support for conservation	Positive
Legal/Policy framework	Very positive
Advocacy	Positive
Institutional coordination	Positive
Security	No impact
Gender equality	Negative
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	Positive
Fostering inclusive local economic development and enhancing livelihood	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

The property is mainly manage foe conservation.

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

Declaration of adjoining forests as reserved forests Development of landscape management plan for the landscape including world heritage property. Acquisition of private forest lands located outside of the property to government

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

State of Conservation	
Management	
Governance	
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

Awareness raising

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

Non-Governmental Organizations

External experts

15.3.2 - Has a gender balanced contribution and participation been considered in the filling out of this questionnaire? Gender balance has been given limited consideration and implementation is in process.

15.3.3 - Were you given adequate time (i.e. roughly ten months) to gather necessary information and to fill in this questionnaire? No

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? Most 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	Fair
UNESCO (other sectors/field offices)	Fair

UNESCO National Commission	Fair
ICOMOS International	Not applicable
IUCN International	Not applicable
ICCROM international/regional	Not applicable
ICOMOS national/regional	Not applicable
IUCN national/regional	Fair

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

UNESCO World Heritage Centre	Fair
State Party Representative (national Focal Point)	Fair
UNESCO other sectors (e.g. field office)	Fair
National Commission for UNESCO	Fair
ICOMOS International	Not applicable
ICCROM International/regional	Not applicable
ICOMOS national/regional	Not applicable
IUCN national/regional	Fair
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

No item were proposed for update

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.