



PERIODIC REPORTING EXERCISE ON APPLICATION OF THE WORLD HERITAGE CONVENTION

SECTION II

State of convention of specific World Heritage properties

State Party: *Iran (Islamic Republic of)*

Property Name: *Perspolis (Historic – Cultural Complex)*

II.1. Introduction

a.	Country (and State party if different): <i>Islamic Republic of Iran</i>	001-
b.	Name of World Heritage property: <i>Perspolis (Historical – Cultural Complex of)</i>	002-
c.	<p>In order to locate the property precisely, please attach a topographic map showing scale, orientation, projection, datum, site name and graticule. The map should be an original print and not be trimmed. The site boundaries should be shown on the map. In addition they can be submitted in a detailed description, indicating topographic and other legally defined national, regional or international boundaries followed by the site boundaries.</p> <p>The State Parties are encouraged to submit the geographical information in digital form so that it can be integrated into a Geographical Information System (GIS).</p> <p>On this questionnaire indicate the geographical co-ordinates to the nearest second (in the case of large sites, towns, areas etc., give at least 3 sets of geographical co – ordinates) :</p> <p>Center Point: <i>X: 689953.1116 - Y: 3313092.3232</i></p> <p>North-west corner: <i>X: 689753.2439 – Y: 3313291.0538</i></p> <p>South–east corner: <i>X: 690145.5276 – Y: 3312934.2208</i></p>	003-
d.	Give the date of inscription on the World Heritage List and subsequent extension (If applicable): <i>1974 with no extension.</i>	004-
e.	<p>Organization(s) or entity (ies) responsible for the preparation of this report.</p> <p>Organization(s)/entity (ies): <i>Parse-Pasargad Research Foundation(PPRF)</i> Person (s) responsible: <i>Mohammad Hassan Talebian</i> Address: <i>Perspolis historical site, Marvdasht, Fars, Iran.</i> City and post code: <i>Marvdasht</i> Telephone: <i>+98 728 22 26 100</i> Fax: <i>+98 728 22 26 100</i> E-mail: <i>Mh_talebian@yahoo.com</i></p>	005-
f.	Date of preparation of the report: <i>October, 2002</i>	006-
g.	<p>Signature on behalf of the State Party: Signature:</p> <p>Name: <i>Jalil Golshan</i></p> <p>Function: <i>Research section in Iranian Cultural Heritage Organization (ICHO)</i></p>	007-

II.2. Statement of significance

	<p>At the time of inscribing a property on the World Heritage List, the World Heritage Committee indicates its outstanding universal value(s), or World Heritage value(s), by deciding on the criteria for which the property deserved to be included on the World Heritage List. Circle the criteria retained for the inscription: Cultural criteria: <i>i</i> - <i>ii</i> - <u><i>iii</i></u> - <i>iv</i> - <i>v</i> - <u><i>vi</i></u> Natural Criteria: <i>i-ii-iii-iv</i></p> <p>Were new criteria added by re-nominating and/or extending the property after the original inscription? <u>YES/NO</u></p> <p>If YES, please explain:</p> <p><i>Value of a historic site is depended strictly to its natural surroundings, which can help us to understand the site deeper. Nature and the characteristic aspects of the environment were the main reasons for locating the site. The relation between Ecology, climate, ancient quarries and the monuments belonging to a certain period in Iranian culture and civilization, has made a complex with histo-cultural values and one of the Iranian tourism attractions. Perspolis, Naghsh-e- Rdjab and Naghsh-e-Rostam along with cherished mountains and voluble mounds (with evidences of settlement from prehistoric to the Islamic ere) are located in Marvdasht plain and make it as an important historic and cultural zone. Therefore extending the World Heritage application to the whole plain was has been set as an objective and presently the assessment and surveying of the region is implementing.</i></p>	008- 009- 010-
	<p>Please quote observations concerning the property made by the Advisory Body (ies) during the evaluation of the nomination:</p> <p><i>There's no special recommendations made after ICOMOS investigation of the site.</i></p> <p>Quote the decisions and observations/recommendations, if appropriate, made by the World Heritage Committee at the time of inscription and extension (if applicable): <i>The Committee made no statement.</i></p> <p>Identify the actions taken as follow-up to these observations and/or decisions: <i>Nothing is done according to no recommendation of the Committee and ICOMOS.</i></p>	011- 012- 013-
	<p>Please propose a statement of significance by providing a description of the World Heritage value(s) for which the property was inscribed on the World Heritage List. This description should reflect the criterion (criteria) on the basis of which the Committee inscribed the property on the World Heritage List and it should be also detail what the property represents, what makes it outstanding, what specific values are that distinguish the property as well as what its relationship with its setting is, etc:</p> <p><i>The Cultural and Historical Complex of Perspolis is a unique remains of Achaemenid Empire. It reflects the art of other nations of those times greatest Empire that makes it more astonishing. Style and taste of Achaemenid art in full detail is obvious. The variety of patterns and scenes in the reliefs, proved this fact that Achamenian art is a mixture of other styles of art in ancient world, which put together with an Iranian sprit. As Achaemenid Empire was ruled on many parts of the world, one can find imitations of Assyrian, Egyptian and Babylon Art in the relief's that come together in an Iranian style.</i></p>	014-

	<i>Construction in the Perspolis was started in the time of the great Darius (Darius I) in 520 A.D. and had been continuing till Achaemenid extinction 330 A.D.</i>	
	For the extension of a property or the inclusion of additional criteria a re-submission of the property may be considered. This might be regarded as necessary in order to recognize cultural values of a natural World Heritage property, or vice versa, become desirable following the substantive revision of the criteria by the World Heritage Committee or due to better identification or knowledge of specific outstanding universal values of the property . Should a re-nomination of the property be considered? <u>YES/NO</u>	015-
	If YES, please explain: <i>In 1974, only the terrace and remains on it was subjected to inscription, which actually is just a part of the ancient city of Parsé and plain of Marvdasht. Since different elements such as Rahmat mountain, Majd Abbad quarries, Naghsh-e-Rostam complex, Naghsh-e-Radjab complex and many other historical remains make the plain as an integrated area hosted the relics of different historical periods. and with consideration of their great potential to be introduced as an unified collection and the problems which come after conserving only the Perspolis terrace, now a re- nomination must be taken into account.</i>	016-
	Are the borders of the World Heritage property and its buffer zone (still) adequate to ensure the protection and conservation of the property's World Heritage values: <u>YES/NO</u>	017-
	If NO, please explain why not, and indicate what changes should be made to the boundaries of the property and/or its buffer zone (please indicate these changes also on a map to be attached to this report):	018-
	Is the State Party actively considering a revision of the property boundaries or the buffer zone? <u>YES/NO</u>	019-
	If YES, indicate what is being done to that end: <i>The purposed changes reflect the decision of re-nominating the whole plain as an integrated Heritage. Therefore discussions are being done to extend the buffer zones to the present properties of agricultural / constructional activities around the Marvdaht plain and excavated / unexcavated sites in the plain.</i>	020-

II.3. Statement of authenticity/integrity

	Have the World Heritage values identified above been maintained since the property's inscription? <u>YES/NO</u>	021-
	If NO, please describe the changes and name the causes:	022-
	What was the evaluation of the authenticity / integrity of the property at the time of inscription? (Please quote from the ICOMOS/IUCN evaluation): <i>As mentioned above there is no document in ICHO archive relating to the process of inscription and evaluation of World Heritage sites in Iran.</i>	023-
	Have there been changes in authenticity / integrity since inscription? <u>YES/NO</u>	024-

	If YES, please describe the changes to the authenticity / integrity and name the main causes?	025-
	Are there (further) changes foreseeable to the authenticity /integrity of the property in near future? YES/ <u>NO</u>	026-
	If YES, please explain and indicate how these changes might affect the World Heritage values of the property:	027-

II.4. Management

	How could the arrangements for the protection and the management of the property best be defined (more than one indication possible)? Legal (x) Contractual () Traditional (x)	028-
	Please describe and assess the implementation and effectiveness of these arrangements for the preservation of the values described under item II.2 at the national, provincial and / or municipal level: <i>In executing the regularities of site borders and other legal rules in the case of preservation of the site we can use of traditional methods.</i>	029-
	In general terms, can this legislative, contractual and / or traditional protection be considered sufficient? YES/ <u>NO</u>	030-
	Please explain: <i>To fulfill the needs of employing expert teams and permanent training of the labor force according to the long term plans of conservation and preservation of the site, Parsé-Pasargad Research Foundation (PPRF) has been established. But it needs more supports to improve the level of its activities especially in the case of scientific researches.</i>	031-
	Provide a list and summaries of laws and regulations concerning cultural and natural properties protection and management (including extracts of relevant articles from the Constitution, Criminal Law, Law/Regulations on Land-use, Environment Law and Forestry Law, among others). Please also attach any documentation available concerning these points: <i>They came as an attachment to this report.</i>	032-
	Describe the administrative and managements that are in place for the property concerned, making special mention of the institution and organizations that have management authority over the property as well as of the arrangements that are in place for the coordination of their actions:	033-

	<p><i>Parsé –Pasargad Research Foundation (PPRF), affiliated to the Iranian Cultural Heritage Organization (ICHO), is managed under supervision of a committee including of ICHO experts. This Committee is the decision-making body for all the conservation, research and restoration activities in the site of Perspolis. Members of the committee are as below:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Deputy of Conservation and Renovation of ICHO</i> • <i>Director of Archeological Research Center of ICHO,</i> • <i>Director of Fars Province Cultural Heritage Office,</i> • <i>Director of PPRF (Secretary)</i> <p><i>According to the case the committee may invite experts to the meetings of the committee.</i></p>	
	<p>Please indicate under which level of authority the property is managed:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Property () Regional () National (x) Other (please describe):</p> <p>Please provide the full name, address and phone/fax/e-mail of the entity(ies) directly responsible for the management (conservation, preservation, visitor management) of the property:</p> <p><i>Mr. Mohammad Hasan Talebian</i></p> <p><i>Parse-Pasargad Research Foundation (PPRF), Takht-e-Jamshid (Perspolis)Historical Site, Marvdasht, Fars, Iran Tel: +98 728 22 26 100 Fax: + 98 728 22 26 100 E-mail: mh_talebian@yahoo.com</i></p>	034- 035-
	<p>Is it necessary to revise the administrative and management arrangements for the property? <u>YES</u> / NO</p> <p>If YES, explain why this is the case:</p> <p><i>As now PPRF is active in the Marvdasht plain (with Perspolis as the focal point), the most suitable answer to the problems of the site is an administrative and financial independent system for managing the site. Trying to achieve this, ICHO tried to establish such foundations for important historical sites. And establishing of autonomous foundations is suggested to the Islamic Parliament of Iran</i></p>	036- 037-
	<p>Is there a management plan for the property? <u>YES</u>/NO</p> <p>If YES, please summaries, indicating if the plan is being implemented and since when:</p> <p><i>It's just a short time after defining the management plan, and it is basically concerned with the below items:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Modification the site borders, buffer zones and plans according to the historical and practical surveys.</i> • <i>Re evaluating the unique values of the site.</i> • <i>Describing in details the conservation objectives and making the criteria</i> 	038- 039-

	<p><i>for priorities in the conservation plans (Short, mid and long terms work plans).</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Diagnosis the management and intervention processes.</i> • <i>Identification of the owners of territories located within the site borders.</i> • <i>Distinguishing different functions in the site.</i> • <i>Co operating with decision makers in the national/state levels and programming the necessary sessions with them.</i> • <i>Management of funds and instructing different needs of the site.</i> • <i>Preparing a timetable for the all activities based on the management plan.</i> 	
	<p>Please report on legal and administrative actions that are foreseen for further, to preserve the values described under item II.2 (e.g. passing of legislation, adjusting administrative and management arrangements, implementing or drawing up of a (new) management plan, etc) :</p> <p><i>At the present the main goals are giving legal independence to the legislation – administrative body of the site, along with modifying new regulations about site borders and buffer zones. The PPRF (established on October 2001 and employing the Conservators, Architects, Archaeologists and so on) is responsible to planning short, mid and long-term activities in the field of conservation and research in the plain of Marvdasht.</i></p>	040-
	<p>Please provide detailed information, particularly in case where changes have occurred since the inscription of the property, on the following matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Conservation</u> Make reference to all major interventions at the property and describe its state of conservation: <p><i>Until 1979, international teams accompanying with national experts, have done the research and conservation in the site, which is reported in different publications. After 1979, these duties are being carried out by the Iranian experts and masons (who were trained in the years before 1979). Although in the lack of a well organized research management here's no publication relating to the activities of this period except some brief reports of conservation and restoration works. Establishing the PPRF in the 2001, all the activities in the site is linked to the continual research in the related field. Some of these activities are mentioned below:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Gathering, archiving and classifying all the reports of restoration and conservation of the site,</i> 2. <i>Documentation focusing on the deterioration evidences,</i> 3. <i>Identifying the deterioration processes in the parts with priorities of conservation,</i> 4. <i>Assessing and designing the visitor routs,</i> 5. <i>Surveying the active biological factors of decay (e.g. Lichen) in the site,</i> 6. <i>Evaluating the restoration works of last years,</i> 7. <i>Continuing the conservation works in the complex (i.e. finding fragments, mending, cleaning the surface crusts in the tomb of Darius in Naghsh-e-Rostam, mending the fragments of doorway and crown of the north east front</i> 	041-

	<p><i>of hundred columns hall, consolidating the surfaces).</i></p> <p>8. <i>Determining the borders of properties in the Marvdasht plain (as an integrated site) and the necessary regulations.</i></p> <p>9. <i>Initiating the project of improving arrangements in the area between Parse and Pasargad, which criticize all the construction activities in the region and suggest the plan for controlling the development of the area in respect of the conservation and preservation particularities of relics.</i></p> <p>10. <i>Designing the entrance perspective for the Perspolis with the use of satellite digital data and existing historical and environmental facts as a basis.</i></p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Ownership</u> Make reference to all major changes in ownership of the property and describe the present state of ownership: <p><i>According to the law, the ownership of the terrace is completely belongs to the Government of I.R. Iran and ICHO is the responsible body for preserving and conserving the property.</i></p>	042-
	<p>Please, give a detailed description of the staffing of the site:</p> <p><i>All the staffs of the site can be divided into two main groups:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Servicemen, Guardians and Technicians in the site,</i> • <i>Experts and Researchers of PPRF.</i> <p><u>Director:</u> <i>Eng. Mohammad Hasan Talebian (National Coordinator)</i></p> <p><u>Experts:</u> <i>Mazyar Kazemi (Conservation Expert)</i> <i>Amin Mahmood zadeh (Conservation Expert)</i> <i>Nader Rezvani pour (Photographer)</i> <i>Zahra Mahzoon (Translator)</i> <i>Sara Zare(Accountant)</i> <i>Mohammad ali Zare (Archaeologist)</i> <i>Omid Oudbashi (Conservation Expert)</i> <i>Masoud Rezaii monfared (Development expert)</i> <i>Saeid Rahmati (Conservation Expert)</i> <i>Afsane Soltani(Architect)</i> <i>Hossein Abassi mehr (Architect)</i> <i>Afshin Emadi (Computer specialist)</i> <i>Vahid Ghasemi(Technical engineering)</i> <i>Sepide Aminzadeh (Conservation Expert)</i> <i>Mohammad reza Bazljoo (Conservation Expert)</i> <i>Reza Ataee (Conservation Expert)</i> <i>Mehdi Jalayeri (Conservation Expert)</i> <i>Soosan Dostdar Hosseini (Archaeologist)</i> <i>Fazlollah Gazar (Archaeologist)</i> <i>Ali Ahmadi (Archaeologist)</i></p>	043-

Abass Rayan pour History Expert**Technicians and Skillmen :**

Hassan Rahssaz (Conservator)
Enayat Bordbar (Conservator)
Keramat Bordbar (Conservator)
Jahanmir Sotoodeh (Conservator)
Afshin Dehghan (Conservator)
Mohamm reza Rafiei (Conservator)
Jamshid Zare (Conservator)
Mohamad Zare (Conservator)
Nazem Zare (Conservator)
Sirooss Zare (Conservator)
Hassan Zare (Conservator)
Saeid Zare (Conservator)
Mehrzad Zare (Conservator)
Hassan Zare (Conservator)
Reza Ahadi (Conservator)
Mohammad reza Ranjbar (Conservator)
Ali Zamen Khaledian (Conservator)

Master Craftsmen :

Aziz Zare
Hossein Saleh
Darab Saber
Heshmatollah Hossein zadeh
Aziz Zare
Hossein Saleh
Darab Saber
Heshmatollah Hossein zadeh
Bahram Zare
Mohammad taghi Khani
Abolhassan Zare
Ramazan Sadeghi
Khodamorad Soltani
Ayoub Safi zadeh
Khashiyar Zare

Others:

Ganj ali Zare (Supplier)
Didargholi Seiavashi (Supplier)
Faramarz Eslamii tabar (Curator)
Abass ali Bordbar (Curator)
Lotf ali Zareii (Storekeeper)
Behrooz Javidi (Social work)
Yadollah Essmaili (Social work)
Firooz Zare (Ticket Seller)
Khodakhast Homayoon (Ticket Seller)
Hossein Khani (Ticket Seller)
Rahim Darvishi (driver)
Ali saber Firoozi (driver)

<p><i>Esfandiyar Youssefi (driver)</i> <i>Habibollah Homayoon (guard)</i> <i>Seied Hossein Nejat (guard)</i> <i>Mehr ali Zare (guard)</i> <i>Shamkhal Zare (guard)</i> <i>Jafar gholi Ahmadi (guard)</i> <i>Momen Saleh (guard)</i> <i>Abass madadi (guard)</i> <i>Tamrass Marzban (guard)</i> <i>Malek Doroudi (guard)</i> <i>Lotfollah Zare (guard)</i> <i>Ali reza Zare (guard)</i> <i>Ali Karami (guard)</i> <i>Kouhi Zare (guard)</i> <i>Kiamars Zare (guard)</i> <i>Hosseingholi Zare (guard)</i></p>	<p>Is the staffing level sufficient for adequate management of the property? YES /<u>NO</u></p> <p>If NO, what should be done to improve the situation?</p> <p><i>It's very important to employ the young qualified experts of conservation and restorations as resident staffs.</i></p> <p>Does the staff need additional training? <u>YES</u> /NO</p> <p>If YES, what are the training needs for your staff?</p> <p><i>All the staffs have to be trained to gain up to date and special knowledge. Short training courses, exchange of information and experiments between experts and consultants in the international level and organizing the international conferences and training workshops are among priorities in this case.</i></p>	<p>044-</p> <p>045-</p> <p>046-</p> <p>047-</p>
	<p>Describe the funding and financial situation of the property, indication sources, level and regularity of financing:</p> <p><i>The property has three main funding sources:</i></p> <p><i>1- Construction Budget:</i> <i>This kind of funding comes after approving from the National Treasury according to the submitted plan of ICHO to the Planning and Budget Organization. Total amount of construction Budget allocated to the Perspolis, Naghsh-e-Rostam, Naghsh-e-Rajab and Pasargad in the finance year of 2001 – 2002 is about 2,000,000,000 Rls. This was 1,200,000,000 Rls in the year before.</i></p> <p><i>2- Provincial Budget:</i> <i>This Budget would be paid after approval for the current expenses of the site (e.g. staff payments), from the Provincial Treasury to the Fars Province Cultural Heritage Office. The average amount of this budget for the recent years was about 400,000,000 Rls.</i></p>	<p>048-</p>

	<p>3- Incomings of visitors and “sound and light” show:</p> <p><i>All the benefits of visitors and other visit services shall be delivered to the National Treasury, and some percent of it comes back to the ICHO. And similarly ICHO pays some percent of visitors incoming to the site, which is about 25% of the total amount. The rate is strictly depends on the number of visitors and it was about 300,000,000 Rls for the last year.</i></p> <p>Is the available funding sufficient for adequate management of the property? YES / <u>NO</u></p> <p>If NOT, describe the financial resources that would be required for the management of the property:</p> <p><i>Tourism Incomings, National and International Assistance, Privet Section Accompany particularly in the publication and producing cultural medias. .</i></p>	049- 050-															
	<p>Indicate International Assistance from which the property has benefited:</p> <p><i>At the present, Perspolis doesn't receive any International assistance, although there's a great need for it as such help can play a great role to improve the quality of actions and draw more attention to the site.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Heritage Fund: <i>none.</i> • UNESCO International Campaign: <i>none.</i> • National and/or regional projects of UNDP, the World Bank or other agencies: <i>none.</i> • Bilateral co-operation: <i>none.</i> • Other assistance: <i>none.</i> 	051- 052- 053- 054- 055-															
	<p>Describe the IT (computer) equipment of the site and / or management office and assess its effectiveness:</p> <p><i>Below is the list of equipments are being used in the site and PPRF:</i></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th><i>Description</i></th> <th><i>Quantity</i></th> <th><i>Location</i></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td><i>Pentium IV Hard capacity 80 G 256 Mb RAM 24X CD writer.</i></td> <td><i>4</i></td> <td><i>Site office</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Scanner</i></td> <td><i>3</i></td> <td><i>Site office</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Printer</i></td> <td><i>2</i></td> <td><i>Site office</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Pentium IV</i></td> <td><i>1</i></td> <td><i>Management office</i></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Pentium IV Hard capacity 80 G 256 Mb RAM 24X CD writer.</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>Site office</i>	<i>Scanner</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>Site office</i>	<i>Printer</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>Site office</i>	<i>Pentium IV</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Management office</i>	056-
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	<p>Are you using (multiple indications are possible) :</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">PC (<i>x</i>)</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Apple ()</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Mainframe ()</p> <p>Please, give the number of available computers: <i>5 according to the above list.</i></p>	057- 058-
	<p>Dose an operational access to the Internet exist? YES / NO</p> <p><i>Due to the problems with the telephone lines of the site.</i></p>	059-
	<p>Is e-mail used for daily correspondence? YES / NO</p>	060-
	<p>Is there a Geographical Information System (GIS) for the site? YES / NO</p> <p>If YES, what software do you have and how is the GIS used?</p> <p><i>For the aerial photography and mapping, ground indicators are used and MicroStation® and AutoCad® is used as the needed softwares.</i></p>	061- 062-
	<p>List scientific studies and research programs that have been conducted concerning the site:</p> <p><i>PPRF has a certain strategy to encourage the research programs in different necessary fields (i.e. Archaeology, Architecture, Geology, Material analysis, Conservation, Geophysics, and etc) All the researches are going to deal with the site problems and will lead to modifying conservation strategies of the site. Students of post graduate levels and PhD will consist the main research parties. The main research objectives are as below:</i></p> <p>I. Conservation & Restoration:</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>a) Identification the factors and processes of deterioration.</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>b) Weathering and its effects in the site.</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>c) Evaluating the effects of air pollution.</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>d) Assessing of the materials used in conservation.</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>e) Inspecting Old conservation in the site (treatments of the Achaemenid period)</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>f) Criticizing the old interventions.</i></p> <p>II. Architecture & Documentation:</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>a) Studying the sightseeing and environment conservation.</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>b) Planning the visitor routs.</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>c) Designing the introducing equipments and accessories in the site.</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>d) Designing and implementing the site lighting.</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>e) Documenting the methods and different periods for restoration works.</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>f) Documentation of architectural aspects of the complex.</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>g) Documentation of the artifacts belongs to the site museum.</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>h) Classifying and cataloging old and new photographs.</i></p> <p>III. Geology:</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>a) Collecting information and documents related to the geological surveys of the region (e.g. reports, maps, aerial photos).</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;"><i>b) Making new aerial photos and geological and topographical maps of the site in different scales.</i></p>	063-

	<p><i>c) Hydrology and ? of the region (including ground waters and surface waters.</i></p> <p>IV. Archaeology:</p> <p><i>a) Classifying the existing documents and digitizing them.</i></p> <p><i>b) Implementing geophysical surveys for precise modification of site borders.</i></p> <p>V. Environment and Ecology:</p> <p><i>a) Studying the vegetation and animals of the site .</i></p> <p><i>b) Studying the effects of climatological factors (i.e. wind, rain, relative humidity, dryness, temperature and etc.).</i></p> <p>VI. Regional studies:</p> <p><i>a) Investigating the comprehensive plan for the site from Parse to Pasargad.</i></p> <p><i>b) Studying the regulations of the borders and buffer zones.</i></p> <p><i>c) Studying on the improving the service quality for the visitors.</i></p>	
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	<p>Describe financial and human resource inputs for the research programmes and or facilities:</p> <p><i>Up to now there wasn't any specified financial and human resources dedicating to the research programs, but according to the above mentioned planning the research expenses is estimated about 600,000,000 Rls, that includes the expenses of employing the experts listed below:</i></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th><i>Description</i></th> <th><i>Academic qualification</i></th> <th><i>No. of persons needed</i></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td><i>Archaeologist</i></td> <td><i>PhD</i></td> <td><i>1</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Architect</i></td> <td><i>MA</i></td> <td><i>3</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Object Conservator</i></td> <td><i>MA</i></td> <td><i>1</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Architecture Conservator</i></td> <td><i>MA</i></td> <td><i>4</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Construction Eng.</i></td> <td><i>BS</i></td> <td><i>1</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Archaeologist</i></td> <td><i>BS</i></td> <td><i>1</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Photographer</i></td> <td></td> <td><i>1</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Technicians (with different expertise)</i></td> <td></td> <td><i>20</i></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><i>There should be annually about 60 students working in the site for a 6 months term.</i></p> <p><i>The cost of research equipments and consultation services must be included to the total sum.</i></p>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Academic qualification</i>	<i>No. of persons needed</i>	<i>Archaeologist</i>	<i>PhD</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Architect</i>	<i>MA</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>Object Conservator</i>	<i>MA</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Architecture Conservator</i>	<i>MA</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>Construction Eng.</i>	<i>BS</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Archaeologist</i>	<i>BS</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Photographer</i>		<i>1</i>	<i>Technicians (with different expertise)</i>		<i>20</i>	064-
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	<p>Describe how the information / results are disseminated?</p> <p><i>The Publication Dept.of PPRF will publish all the results.</i></p>	065-																											

	<p>Are there any visitor statistics for the site? <u>YES</u> / NO</p>	066-
	<p>If YES, please summaries the statistics and attach to this report:</p> <p><i>The detailed report of visitor statistics is attached to the report. But here is a summary of the information related to the number of visitors of Perspolis in last three years:</i></p>	067-

	<p><i>Number of Visitors</i></p> <p>389,673</p> <p>419,602</p> <p>461,839</p>	<p><i>Year</i></p> <p>1999-2000</p> <p>2000-2001</p> <p>2001-2002</p>
	<p>What visitor facilities do you have at the property?</p> <p><i>“Voice and Light”, Visitor guides, Tour Guides, boards, Leaflets, Guiding books and Map.</i></p>	068-
	<p>What visitor facilities are you in need of?</p> <p><i>Electronic System for visitor guiding, well trained,, multi language speaking guides.</i></p>	069-
	<p>Is a public use plan (tourism / visitor management plan) in existence for the property? <u>YES</u> / NO</p> <p>If YES, please summaries, if No explain if one is needed:</p> <p><i>Daily visiting hours is from 7:30 to 19. Visitors should pay the fee and buy tickets. “Voice and Light” show is performed in the nights for public private performance with discounts are also available for students groups and organizations.</i></p>	070- 071-
	<p>Indicate how the property’s World Heritage values are communicated to residents, visitors and the public (please attach examples of leaflets, videos, posters etc, and print-outs and / or the address of a web- page):</p> <p><i>Application of useful and practical capability of the residents in the conservation and preservation of the site makes the site as a main part of their living environment. Supplying the publications, cultural products and services is done by the residents of nearby areas of site. Establishing the local Society of Cultural Heritage Friends, organizing exhibitions, designing the Homepage (which is going to be completed in the near future), producing documentary films, TV programs, distributing posters, preparing informative leaflets and post stamps are among other activities to introduce the site to the public.</i></p>	072-
	<p>Are there educational programs concerning the property aimed at schools? YES / NO</p> <p>If YES, please describe:</p> <p><i>In the History of Achaemenid Empire (that is taught in different levels of public educational program) some references are made to the Perspolis, but it’s not enough and this matter must be taken into consideration for necessary modifications</i></p>	073- 074-
	<p>What role does World Heritage inscription play for the site concerning the visitor number, the research programmes and / or the awareness building activities?</p> <p><i>Being one of the World Heritage Properties attracts more attention and visitors as well as motivating research projects related to the site problem.</i></p>	075-

II.5. Factors affecting the property

	<p>Please comment on the degree to which the property is threatened by particular problems and risks, such as development pressure, environment pressure, natural disaster and preparedness, visitor/tourism pressure, number of inhabitants. Also mention all other issues that you see as problematic.</p> <p><i>Developing of Marvdasht town in the north direction, and formation of new villages and towns in neighboring area of the Perspolis, in addition of construction of polluting industries are the potential problems of the site.</i></p>	076-
	<p>Is there an emergency plan and/or risk preparedness plan for the property in existence? YES/<u>NO</u></p> <p>If YES, please summaries the plan and provide a copy:</p> <p>If NO, describe what is being done-and by whom- to counteract the dangers that threaten or may threaten the property:</p> <p><i>In the case of emergency the decision making and experts meetings with attendance of Director of PPRF (as the organizer), will define the necessary actions. Otherwise the Technical Council of ICHO makes the required decisions.</i></p>	077- 078- 079-
	<p>Indicate areas where improvement would be desirable and/or towards which the State Party is working:</p> <p><i>Controlling the borders and boundaries of the property against agricultural, industrial and constructional development is the great problem of the site and main concern of the State Party.</i></p>	080-
	<p>Give an indication if the impact of the factors affecting the property is increasing or decreasing:</p> <p><i>Considering the growth and development of affecting factors, it can be said that the impact is increasing.</i></p>	081-
	<p>What actions have been effectively taken, or are planned for future, to address the factors affecting the property?</p> <p><i>PPRF has set a research bureau in the site, which is investigating and evaluating the impact of these factors. But lack of required research equipments and indicators for measurement should be consider in planning a vital more effective research program with appropriate funding in near future.</i></p>	082-

II.6. Monitoring

	<p>If applicable, give details (e.g. dates, results, indication chosen) of any previous periodic or reactive monitoring exercises of the property:</p> <p><i>In the years before PPRF establishment the monitoring has been done annually by the ICHO officers, which be considered in annual planning of site conservation, but due to</i></p>	083-
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<i>lack of a specialized archive for the site there's no report available of them.</i>		
Is there a formal monitoring system established for the site?	<u>YES</u>/NO	084-
If YES, please give details of its organization:		085-
<i>From legal point of view, ICHO is in charge for monitoring the site, which was been carried out annually by ICHO officers. After foundation of PPRF, the monitoring reports and comments in addition to work plan submission is being done by PPRF (in the format of attached form), and propose directly to ICHO.</i>		
If not already in place, is the establishment of a formal monitoring system planned?	YES/NO	086-
If YES, please outline the function of that system, taking into consideration the key indicators you will be asked to define below (see 089/090)		087-
<i>The present monitoring system will be subject to improvement of quality in the case of daily, monthly and annual monitoring. PPRF is intended to do and use comprehensive documentation of present status of the site and aerial –ground photogrametry as indicators for monitoring.</i>		
Are there any indications established for monitoring the state of conservation of the property?	YES/NO	088-
If YES, Please provide up to date information with respect to each of the key indicators established and/or used. Care should be taken to ensure that this information is as accurate and reliable as possible, for example by carrying out observations in the same way, using similar equipment and methods at the same time of the year and day. Name and describe the key indicators for measuring the state of conservation of this property:		089-
<i>As the site is endanger by growth of agricultural activities and industrial development in the region, establishing the monitor systems based on air pollutants measurements, evaluation of weathering and environmental factors is vital for the site.</i>		
If No, indicators have been identified and/or used so far, please define key indicators for future use in monitoring:		090-
Indicate which partners, if any, are involved or will be involved in the regular monitoring exercise:		091-
<i>Aeorology stations in the region. The Environment Preservation Organization and Iranian Cultural Heritage Organization (ICHO)</i>		
Identify the administrative provisions for organizing the regular monitoring of the property:		092-
<i>As mentioned above, PPRF now is in charge for monitoring the site conditions and in doing this, resident experts in different fields are observing the situation of various site aspects and obliged to make periodic reports. All the related reports will be used to forming a comprehensive report, which will be submitted to the ICHO.</i>		

	<p>Describe what improvement the State Party foresees or would consider desirable in improving the monitoring system:</p> <p><i>Establishing the Parse-Pasargad Research Foundation (PPRF) is the focal point of changes in improving the situation of site.</i></p>	093-
	<p>In specific cases, the World Heritage Committee and/or its Bureau may have already examined the state of conservation of the property and made recommendations to the State Party, either at the time of inscription or afterwards. In such cases the State Party is requested to report on actions that have been taken in response to the observations or decisions made by the Bureau or Committee. Give details, if applicable:</p> <p><i>As mentioned above there's not any available document.</i></p>	094-

II.7. Conclusions and recommended actions

	<p>Please summaries the main conclusions regarding the state of the World Heritage values of the property (see items II.2 and II.3):</p> <p><i>According to the criteria of inscription of the Perspolis in World Heritage List, and the present situation of the site and neighboring relics in the Marvdasht plain, it deems necessary to extending the property, so included in the management plan as a priority.</i></p>	095-
	<p>Please summaries the main conclusions regarding the management and factors affecting the property (see items II.4. and II.5. above)</p> <p><i>The site benefits of a national level management, which founded PPRF as the executing body in the site. Legally the site ownership belongs to the government.</i></p>	096-
	<p>Give an overview over proposed future action/ actions:</p> <p><i>As PPRF is newly established, now main activities concentrate in the planning and programming phase. Extending the cooperation between site and research centers and universities in order to fulfill site research requirements, defining the research necessities, arranging a specified archive for the site, applying emergency conservations, introducing the site to the public, equipping the conservation workshops and research laboratories of the site, organizing the training courses and workshops, providing practical access to Internet, investigating the ancient city of Parsé, improving the level of cultural activities in the site and encouraging public to cooperate in site conservation are among the main titles in proposed management plan of the site.</i></p>	097-
	<p>Name the agency responsible for implementation of these actions (if different from 005):</p> <p><i>As mentioned above, Iranian Cultural Heritage (ICHO) and Parsé-Pasargad Research Foundation (PPRF) are responsible bodies for the site.</i></p>	098-
	<p>Give a timetable for the implementation of the actions described above:</p> <p><i>As mentioned before all the activities concentrate in programming phase. Any timetable would be concluded after finding appropriate financial and human sources and approval</i></p>	099-

	<i>of the action plans. The deadline for this task is October 2003.</i>	
	Indicate for which of the planned activities International Assistance from the World Heritage Fund may be need (if any): <i>Any International Assistance will be welcomed in Study, Equipping and Conservation phases.</i>	0100
	Are there any contacts with management units of other properties within or outside your country? YES/NO	0101
	If Yes, explain: <i>As ICHO is the national manager for every three World Cultural properties of Iran, the inter-organization contact between site managers and teams is provided. But there is no official international contact.</i>	0102
	Please indicate which experiences made during the periodic reporting exercise and/or during the on – going conservation /protection efforts of the property could be shared with other State Parties dealing with similar problems or issues: <i>The main advantage gained during preparation of this periodic report was highlighting the lack of a well organized archive for any document and repot relating to the site which can be of great help in proposed planning of activities in all aspects.</i>	0103
	Provide the name(s) and address (es) of organization(s) or specialist(s) who could be contacted for this purpose: Agency/Organization: <i>Parsé-Pasargad Research Foundation (PPRF)</i> Person responsible: <i>Mr. Mohamad Hassan Talebian</i> Address: <i>Takht-e-Jamshid (Perspolis)Historical Site,</i> City and Post Code: <i>Marvdasht, Fars, Iran</i> Telephone: <i>+98 728 22 26 100</i> Fax: <i>+ 98 728 22 26 100</i> E-mail: mh_talebian@yahoo.com	0104

II.8. Assessment of the Periodic Reporting exercise for Section II

	Was sufficient and adequate information made available to the responsible authorities and individuals during the preparation phase of the Periodic Reporting exercise (Information given, meetings etc)? <i>Most of the answers were based on the results of activities carried out by PPRF in a period of one year since its establishment.</i>	0105
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	<p>Was the questionnaire clear and did it help to comply with the reporting requirements of the State Party?</p> <p>Yes.</p>	0106
	<p>What are the perceived benefits and lessons learnt of the exercise?</p> <p><i>The questions draw attentions to the necessary actions of the site and management, and show the weak points in programming and planning up to now (e.g. disaster preparedness, monitoring plan, well organized archive). Also it helps in evaluating the past actions and activities.</i></p>	0107
	<p>Please describe the expected outcome of the Periodic Reporting exercise and the desired follow – up by the World Heritage Committee:</p> <p><i>It is desired to make arrangements in the Regional/International level for exchange of experiences in problem solving and management of World Heritage sites. Also in the basis of the periodic report, the required International Assistance for each site can be introduced.</i></p>	0108

II.9. Documentation attached

The State Party is invited to supply the materials listed below. Please check those items that were attached:

1. Maps and plans showing the general location of the property, its boundaries and buffer zones as well as necessary detail of the property itself (see question 003 for specifications)
2. Photo of general view (aerial view) of the property
3. Illustrations of the state of conservation of the site (photographs, slides and if available, film/videos)
4. Details of the important aspects of the property (landscapes, animal and vegetable available, monuments etc.)
5. Photos illustrating the main threats to the site and its surroundings.
6. Extracts of relevant laws and regulations concerning the protection of cultural and natural heritage at national, provincial and municipal levels
7. Copies of the management plan of the site as well as extracts and/or copies of other plans relating to the site (e.g. emergency plan, use plan, etc.)
8. Indicative bibliography