



**PERIODIC REPORTING EXERCISE  
ON THE APPLICATION OF THE WORLD HERITAGE  
CONVENTION**

**SECTION II**

**State of Conservation of specific World Heritage properties**

**State Party: NEPAL**

**Property Name: .KATHMANDU VALLEY**

**BAUDHANATH MONUMENT ZONE**

## **PERIODIC REPORTING FOR WELL PLANNED HERITAGE PRESERVATION**

### **Background**

The twenty-ninth General Conference of UNESCO, held in 1997, decided to activate Article 29 of the World Heritage Convention concerning the submission of periodic reports on the state of implementation of the World Heritage Convention (Section I) and the State of Conservation of World Heritage properties (Section II). The national authorities are invited to report on Section I, while Section II shall be prepared for each property inscribed on the World Heritage list by the person(s) directly in charge of the property's management.

The periodic reports prepared by the States Parties will serve a three-fold purpose:

- ❖ to assess the current state of all World Heritage related issues in a State Party,
- ❖ to help focus the Committee's as well as the State Party's future activities and funds,
- ❖ to strengthen sub-regional and regional co-operation between States Parties.

### **The Periodic Reporting Questionnaire**

In 1998, at its twenty-second session, the World Heritage Committee approved *Explanatory Notes*, designed to be read in conjunction with the *Periodic Reporting Format*, in order to outline the information expected to flow from the periodic reporting exercise. To facilitate the preparation of the report, a *Questionnaire* was developed that the States Parties are encouraged to use. It closely follows the subjects referred to in the *Explanatory Notes*, but in contrast to the latter splits the subjects up into short questions to be answered in a few sentences or paragraphs. A second type of question requires the indication of YES or NO by circling or underlining the appropriate answer. All questions are clearly identified with a little number in the right hand column of the *Questionnaire*. To make the reporting results meaningful every one of these questions has to be answered. If no answer is possible, the reasons should be given. If the available space is not sufficient for the answer, the response should be continued on a separate sheet of paper, clearly indicating the number of the question the text refers to (e.g. 006).

### **Benefits for the States Parties**

The *Questionnaire* was developed in such a way as to allow to extract and compile or compare relevant information from different States Parties or properties, facilitating the process of preparing the regional synthesis report to be presented to the World Heritage Committee. The YES / NO questions make it possible to evaluate the reports quantitatively, but only the details that should be supplied in the related 'open question' make the answers meaningful and can be the basis for concerted actions to preserve a State Party's most valuable heritage for its transmission to future generations.

The information collected in this way will help the States Parties to assess their own strengths and weaknesses concerning the implementation of the World Heritage Convention, putting them in a position to (re)define policies and to request assistance in order to finance projects and / or training. On the other hand it allows the World Heritage Committee to collect information needed to devise *Regional Action Plans*, give well-informed advice to States Parties and to focus funds as well as attention on the region(s), States Parties and / or properties that need the collective support of the international community.

The preparation process of the regional periodic report will furthermore enhance regional co-operation through information meetings as well as through the better availability of regularly up-dated information on activities as well as contact addresses etc. The identification of the State Party's strengths makes it possible to exchange experiences and look for solutions to problems (e.g. of site conservation) within the region.

### **Conclusion**

Periodic Reporting is a participatory exercise, aiming to collect information on World Heritage related issues on a national as well as on the property level. The individual State Party reports will be collated into a regional synthesis report to be presented to the World Heritage Committee. This information will enhance cooperation between the Committee and the States Parties and allow to focus funds and activities more efficiently, allowing the States Parties to protect their most valuable heritage more effectively for transmission to future generations.

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**SECTION II: STATE OF CONSERVATION OF SPECIFIC WORLD HERITAGE PROPERTIES**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**II.1 Introduction**

- a. State Party
- b. Name of World Heritage property
- c. Geographical coordinates to the nearest second
- d. Date of inscription on the World Heritage List
- e. Organization(s) or entity(ies) responsible for the preparation of the report
- f. Date of report
- g. Signature on behalf of State Party

**II.2. Statement of significance**

**II.3. Statement of authenticity/integrity**

**II.4. Management**

**II.5. Factors affecting the property**

**II.6. Monitoring**

**II.7. Conclusions and recommended action**

- a. Main conclusions regarding the state of the World Heritage values of the property (see items II.2. and II.3. above)
- b. Main conclusions regarding the management and factors affecting the property (see Items II.4 and II.5. above)
- c. Proposed future action/actions
- d. Responsible implementing agency/agencies
- e. Timeframe for implementation
- f. Needs for international assistance.

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

**II.9. Documentation attached**

## II.1. Introduction

a.	Country (and State Party if different): <i>Nepal</i>	001
b.	Name of World Heritage property: <i>Kathmandu Valley WHS</i> <i>Baudhanath Monument Zone</i>	002
c.	<p>In order to locate the property precisely, please attach a topographic map showing scale, orientation, projection, datum, site name, date 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 geographic information in digital form so that it can be integrated into a Geographic 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>Centre point:</p> <p>North-west corner: 27 43' 16.36"N</p> <p>South-east corner: 85 21' 51.48"E</p>	003
d.	Give the date of inscription on the World Heritage List and subsequent extension (if applicable): <i>1979</i>	004
e.	<p>Organization(s) or entity(ies) responsible for the preparation of this report.</p> <p>Organization(s) / entity(ies):</p> <p>Person(s) responsible: <i>Director General, Department of Archaeology</i></p> <p>Address: <i>Ramshah Path, Kathmandu, Nepal</i></p> <p>City and post code: <i>KATHMANDU</i></p> <p>Telephone: <i>977-1-250683, 250686, 250687</i></p> <p>Fax: <i>977-1-262856</i></p> <p>E-mail: <i>archaeology@infoclub.com.np</i></p>	005
f.	Date of preparation of the report: <i>November 2002</i>	006
g.	<p>Signature on behalf of the State Party</p> <p>Signature: .....</p> <p>Name: <i>Miss S N Kansakar</i></p> <p>Function: <i>Director General</i></p>	007

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## 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:</p> <p>Cultural criteria: i – ii – (iii) – (iv) – v – (vi) Natural criteria: i – ii – iii – iv</p> <p>Were new criteria added by re-nominating and/or extending the property after the original inscription? YES / (NO)</p> <p>If YES, please explain: <i>N/A</i></p>	<p>008</p> <p>009</p> <p>010</p>
<p>Please quote observations concerning the property made by the Advisory Body(ies) during the evaluation of the nomination:</p> <p><i>ICOMOS does not appear to have made any specific observations concerning the property at the time of inscription.</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):</p> <p><i>The comments of the World Heritage Committee at the time of inscription, if any, are not recorded.</i></p> <p>Identify the actions taken as follow-up to these observations and/or decisions:</p> <p><i>As no observations were made, no follow-up action was taken until after the 1993 UNESCO/ICOMOS Review Mission.</i></p>	<p>011</p> <p>012</p> <p>013</p>
<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 also detail what the property represents, what makes it outstanding, what the specific values are that distinguish the property as well as what its relationship with its setting is, etc.:</p> <p><i>The cultural heritage of the Kathmandu Valley, of outstanding universal value, is represented by seven groups of monuments and buildings which taken together as a multiple resource display the full array of historic and artistic achievement for which the Kathmandu Valley is world famous. The seven include the three Darbar Squares of Kathmandu, Patan and Bhaktapur, the two Buddhist stupas of Swayambhu and Bauddhanath and the two Hindu temple complexes of Pashupati and Changu Narayan. The seven monument zones are not only architecturally rich, but form the setting for a vibrant and living intangible culture of artistic and craft activity and ritual practices. The zones form the background for the traditional way of life of the people of the Valley.</i></p>	<p>014</p>
<p>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</p>	<p>015</p>

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	<p><b>II.2. continued</b></p> <p>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? YES / (NO)</p> <p>If YES, please explain: <i>N/A</i></p>	016
	<p>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: (YES) / NO</p> <p>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): <i>N/A</i></p>	017 018
	<p>Is the State Party actively considering a revision of the property boundaries or the buffer zone? YES / (NO)</p> <p>If YES, indicate what is being done to that end: <i>N/A</i></p>	019 020

**II.3. Statement of authenticity / integrity**

	<p>Have the World Heritage values identified above been maintained since the property's inscription? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If NO, please describe the changes and name the causes: <i>N/A</i></p>	021 022
	<p>What was the evaluation of the authenticity / integrity of the property at the time of inscription? (Please quote from the ICOMOS / IUCN evaluation):</p> <p><i>There is no record of the ICOMOS evaluation at the time of inscription.</i></p>	023
	<p>Have there been changes in the authenticity / integrity since inscription? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If YES, please describe the changes to the authenticity / integrity and name the main causes?</p> <p><i>Within the Baudhanath Monument Zone the principal religious monuments is now in a better condition than at any time since inscription. The principal stupa and temples is in good repair. The main Stupa is being white washed in time to time.</i></p>	024 025

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<p><b>II.3. continued</b></p> <p><i>The gold gilded pinnacle and "Trayadabhuvana" was cleaned with appropriate chemicals. The stone pavements around the stupa was repaired with resetting.</i></p> <p><i>However, as the World Heritage Committee is aware, the conservation of the traditional houses within the Monument Zone has proved to be more problematical. Since inscription a number of inappropriate private buildings of reinforced concrete constructed, resulting in the loss of examples of the historic architecture of the Valley, in some cases, damage to the setting of the monument zone.</i></p> <p><i>The replacement of traditional houses resulted from the rapid growth of the population combined with the increasing wealth of many within the Monument Zone and their expectations of a higher quality of life. The legal and regulatory structures were not designed to cope with such pressures and were consequently virtually overwhelmed by the pressure of development. However, since the 1992 ICOMOS mission and report, subsequent reports, international financial support and technical cooperation, amendments to the protective legislation and greatly enhanced regulation and monitoring, the situation has been radically improved. In the last couple of years, the illegal demolition of houses within the Baudhanath Monument Zone has not taken place, applications to demolish houses of historic interest have been resisted and the design and quality of new buildings has greatly improved. There is clear evidence of a greater understanding on the part of the people of Baudhanath area of the value and importance of their cultural heritage which, combined with continuing commitment of the regulatory authorities, will ensure that the successes of recent years are maintained and continued, safeguarding the surviving authenticity of the Monument Zone. It is already evident that the owners of some of the illegal concrete houses are aware of the degree to which they detract from the beauty and authenticity of the Monument Zone. Some propose to carry out corrective measures, such as refacing with traditional materials. The DOA and the Municipality propose to encourage (and enforce) others to carry out similar action, rectifying past damage.</i></p>	
<p>Are there (further) changes foreseeable to the authenticity / integrity of the property in the near future?                  YES / <u>(NO)</u></p>	026
<p>If YES, please explain and indicate how these changes might affect the World Heritage values of the property: <i>N/A</i></p>	027

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<p><b>II.4. continued</b></p> <p><i>Kathmandu Metropolitan City</i></p> <p><i>Phone: +977-1-272110/270334</i></p> <p><i>Fax: +977-1-</i></p> <p><i>E-mail:</i></p> <p><i>Website:</i></p>	
<p>Is it necessary to revise the administrative and management arrangements for the property? (YES)/ NO</p> <p>If YES, explain why this is the case:</p> <p><i>Subject to further analysis, some revision to visitor management, including increasing the effectiveness of the Tourist Entry Charge, would be desirable. The revenue generated by the Entry Charge has great potential for enhancing the conservation and management of the Monument Zone, as well as providing tangible evidence of the value of heritage conservation to the economy of the city due to the revenue which should accrue.</i></p>	<p>036</p> <p>037</p>
<p>Is there a management plan for the property? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If YES, please summarize, indicating if the plan is being implemented and since when:</p> <p><i>The Baudhanath Heritage Conservation Masterplan was prepared by the DOA and approved by the relevant authorities in 2002. It makes recommendations for the improved management of the built heritage and open spaces within the whole of protected Monument Zone.</i></p>	<p>038</p> <p>039</p>
<p>Please report on legal and administrative actions that are foreseen for the future, 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>Amendments to the protective legislation are proposed in order to resolve overlaps in institutions and jurisdiction to enhance future management of the Monument Zones. This proposal is currently under discussion by the concerned authorities.</i></p>	<p>040</p>
<p>Please provide detailed information, particularly in cases where changes have occurred since the inscription of the property, on the following matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Conservation</u> Make reference to all major interventions at the property and describe its present state of conservation:</li> </ul> <p><i>Only one monument is listed in the original nomination dossier. This monument represents only the most significant and does not include the private buildings which have been identified as worthy of preservation and which will be graded and Gazetted. The main stupa is in better repair.</i></p> <p><i>Different conservation works as mentioned is 025 have been done and various works of repair have been carried out to private houses at the expense of their owners.</i></p>	<p>041</p>
<p><u>Ownership</u> Make reference to all major changes in ownership of the property and describe the present state of ownership:</p>	<p>042</p>

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	<p><b>II.4. continued</b></p> <p><i>Ownership of the monument remains with the DOA and the traditional guthis. The minor monuments, including the houses, are largely privately owned. Most remain with their traditional lineages.</i></p>	
	<p>Please, give a detailed description of the staffing of the site:</p> <p><i>The DOA World Heritage Management Section has five members of staff and the Heritage Conservation Unit has a further eighteen posts, which includes four professional staff and twelve technical staff. The Baudhanath Area conservation and Development Committee is having few staffs in its office located at the site.</i></p> <p><i>The Cultural Heritage and Tourism Department of Kathmandu Metropolitan City has 16 staffs including professional and technical posts.</i></p> <p>Is the staffing level sufficient for adequate management of the property?      <u>(YES)</u> / NO</p> <p>If NO, what should be done to improve the situation? <i>N/A</i></p>	<p>043</p> <p>044</p> <p>045</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>The staff of both the DOA and the Building Permits Section of the Metropolitan City require training in monitoring and achieving compliance with the protective legislation. Training for DOA and City staff is required in the documentation and recording of the historic environment. Training in conservation and archaeological techniques to up-to-date international standards is also required.</i></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 DOA has an annual budget for conservation, this year of Rs 7,400,000 (US\$95,000) for the whole of the WHS. Within the Baudhanath Monument Zone the Metropolitan City and Baudhanath Area conservation and Development Committee has funded environmental improvements and will support for conservation of the site.</i></p> <p><i>The tourist entrance fee produces an income for conservation and environmental projects and has scope for future development and reform.</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>The funds available from all sources are sufficient for the conservation of the major monuments. A mechanism needs to be developed to provide financial support for the conservation and careful modernisation of the private houses of the Monument Zone, which form the bulk of the historic buildings and must be preserved if the integrity and authenticity of the Zone is to be retained.</i></p>	<p>048</p> <p>049</p> <p>050</p>

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<p><b>II.4. continued</b></p> <p><i>Larger hotels are within easy reach.</i></p>	
<p>What visitor facilities are you in need of?</p> <p><i>As the Masterplan desired, a site museum will be established.</i></p> <p><i>Improvement of the facilities mentioned in 068.</i></p>	069
<p>Is a public use plan (tourism / visitor management plan) in existence for the property? (YES) / NO</p>	070
<p>If YES, please summarize, if NO explain if one is needed:</p> <p><i>The Baudhanath Heritage Conservation Masterplan covers tourism issues and a related tourism strategy is being developed by the Baudhanath Area conservation and Development Committee.</i></p>	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>A range of information leaflets, illustrated in colour, has been produced by the DOA and Baudhanath Area Conservation and Development Committee. These are published in English, Nepali and are distributed through the committee Office and elsewhere.</i></p> <p><i>A carved stone plaque provides information on the Monument Zone and its principal monuments in English. Stone markers, indicating the boundaries of the Monument Zone, have been erected.</i></p> <p><i>Special events and exhibitions have been held, during the <u>Buddha Jayanti</u> (birthday of Lord Buddha) and other Buddhist festivals.</i></p>	072
<p>Are there educational programmes concerning the property aimed at schools? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If yes, please describe:</p> <p><i>A schools awareness programme, explaining the significance of the WHS, is being organised by the office of the Baudhanath Area conservation and Development Committee located in this monument zone, in different occasions.</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>World Heritage status is widely publicised both nationally and internationally and is crucial for the recognition of the outstanding cultural value of the Kathmandu Valley. The publicity given to the WHS undoubtedly attracts a high proportion of the visitors to the Kingdom as a whole.</i></p>	075

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## 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, environmental pressure, natural disasters and preparedness, visitor / tourism pressure, number of inhabitants. Also mention all other issues that you see as problematic.</p> <p><i>As explained above, the Monument Zone is subject to significant pressure due to population growth and rapid economic development and consequential social change. As the Valley has become increasingly heavily populated the open farmland which surrounded the historic city at the time of inscription of the Monument Zone has been built over and the environment has been increasingly polluted.</i></p> <p><i>The whole Valley is an area of high earthquake risk. Some earthquake strengthening using traditional methods has already been undertaken to counter future risk.</i></p> <p><i>The Monument Zone has the capacity to accommodate significantly higher visitor numbers than at present.</i></p>	076
	<p>Is there an emergency plan and / or risk preparedness plan for the property in existence? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If YES, please summarise the plan and provide a copy:</p> <p><i>The housing and planning Department of HMG/Nepal is implementing the Nepal Building Code which is designed to mitigate the risk of earthquake damage.</i></p> <p>If NO, describe what is being done – and by whom – to counteract the dangers that threaten or may threaten the property: <i>N/A</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>The recent successes of the DOA and the Metropolitan City in resisting illegal development within the Monument Zone need to be maintained. Winning the hearts and minds of the habitants of Baudhanath the conservation of their area will be crucial for this work.</i></p>	080
	<p>Give an indication if the impact of the factors affecting the property is increasing or decreasing:</p> <p><i>As explained, due to the diligence of the regulatory authorities the detrimental factors affecting the property are decreasing.</i></p>	081
	<p>What actions have been effectively taken, or are planned for the future, to address the factors affecting the property?</p>	082

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<p><b>II.5. continued</b></p> <p><i>Increased training of staff responsible for monitoring the Monument Zone is planned.</i></p> <p><i>Regular monitoring of the Monument Zone is being undertaken.</i></p> <p><i>Support is being provided by HM Government for house owners through the provision of subsidised timber and traditional bricks. 10% of the total cost of traditional construction is borne by HMG.</i></p>	
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**II.6. Monitoring**

<p>If applicable, give details (e.g. dates, results, indicators chosen) of any previous periodic or reactive monitoring exercises of the property:</p> <p><i>In 1993 a joint UNESCO/ICOMOS Review Mission defined Sixteen Points of Concern. From 1994 annual monitoring reports were submitted by HMG to the World Heritage Committee to demonstrate compliance with the Sixteen Points.</i></p> <p><i>In 1998 a UNESCO/ICOMOS/HMG Joint Mission made 55 recommendations and defined a time-bound action plan of corrective measures. Subsequent monitoring reports have demonstrated the success of the authorities in implementing the recommendations.</i></p>	083
<p>Is there a formal monitoring system established for the site? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If YES, please give details of its organization:</p> <p><b>1. National High Level Monitoring Committee</b></p> <p><i>To monitor the implementation of the time-bound Action Plan recommended by the UNESCO/ICOMOS/HMG Nepal Joint Mission, a High Level Monitoring Committee has been established under the chairmanship of the Honourable Minister for Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation. The Secretary and Joint Secretary of the ministry, the mayors of Kathmandu Metropolitan City, Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City and Bhaktapur Municipality and the Chief District Officers of Kathmandu, Lalitpur and Bhaktapur are members. The Member Secretary of the Committee is the Director General of the DOA. The Committee meets every month to monitor and evaluate implementation of the Action Plan and has been effective in ensuring enhanced conservation of the WHS.</i></p> <p><b>2. World Heritage Management Division</b></p> <p><i>This is one of the seven divisions of the DOA and is dedicated to the management, monitoring and reporting of the state of preservation of the WHS.</i></p> <p><b>3. Heritage Conservation Unit</b></p> <p><i>The Unit is part of the DOA and advises on the conservation of the Monument Zone.</i></p>	084 085

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<p><b>II.5. continued</b></p> <p><b>4. Kathmandu Metropolitan City</b> <i>The Building Permits Section and Cultural Heritage &amp; Tourism Dept. Conservation Unit of the City are involved with monitoring of the Monument Zone on a local level.</i></p> <p><b>5. Baudhanath Area Conservation and Development Committee</b> <i>This Committee also is involved with monitoring of the Monument Zone on site level.</i></p>	
<p>If not already in place, is the establishment of a formal monitoring system planned? YES / NO</p> <p><i>N/A</i></p> <p>If YES, please outline the functioning of that system, taking into consideration the key indicators you will be asked to define below (see 089 / 090):</p> <p><i>N/A</i></p>	<p>086</p> <p>087</p>
<p>Are there any indicators established for monitoring the state of conservation of the property? YES / (NO)</p> <p>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: <i>N/A</i></p> <p>If NO indicators have been identified and / or used so far, please define key indicators for future use in monitoring:</p> <p><i>A system of indicators is under consideration. Key indicators are likely to be:</i></p> <p><i>Refusal/granting of demolition permits</i></p> <p><i>Illegal development and enforcement action</i></p> <p><i>Repair grants given</i></p> <p><i>Repairs undertaken</i></p> <p><i>New buildings constructed in accordance with approved plans</i></p> <p><i>Numbers of buildings at risk</i></p> <p><i>Property value/added value</i></p> <p><i>Monitoring will be assisted by the listing of all monuments in the Monument Zone in three grades. It will be possible to use this list and the inventory descriptions as a base line, allowing change to be monitored and recorded.</i></p>	<p>088</p> <p>089</p> <p>090</p>

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**II.6. continued**

<p>Indicate which partners, if any, are involved or will be involved in the regular monitoring exercise:</p> <p><i>The DOA Baudhanath Area Conservation &amp; Development Committee and the Metropolitan City will be involved in regular monitoring.</i></p>	091
<p>Identify the administrative provisions for organizing the regular monitoring of the property:</p> <p><i>The monitoring arrangements are described in 085.</i></p>	092
<p>Describe what improvement the State Party foresees or would consider desirable in improving the monitoring system:</p> <p><i>Apart from establishing Key Indicators, better training, particularly of site staff, would be desirable. The site Office of the Baudhanath area conservation &amp; Development Committee also requires a computer and E-mail in order to be fully effective.</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 the 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 described in 085, a National High Level Monitoring Committee has been established to ensure that the 55 recommendations of the 1988 Joint Mission are implemented. An expert committee has also been established to grade the monuments in accordance with the recommendations and the ICOMOS guidelines.</i></p>	094

**II.7. Conclusions and recommended actions**

<p>Please summarize the main conclusions regarding the state of the World Heritage values of the property (see items II.2. and II.3. above):</p> <p><i>Although the World Heritage Values of the Monument Zone are largely unchanged since the time of Inscription (021) and the major monuments is generally in a better state than at any time since inscription, the authenticity and integrity of the site has been damaged by demolition and redevelopment of private houses which the statutory authorities were unable to control. The legal and regulatory provisions have now been overhauled, resulting in greatly enhanced management of the zone and preventing further erosion of its integrity. Conservation projects for a number of private historic houses within the Monument Zone should help to recover some of the losses of the 1990s.</i></p>	095
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<b>II.7. continued</b>	
<p>Please summarize the main conclusions regarding the management and factors affecting the property (see items II.4. and II.5. above):</p> <p><i>The improved handling of planning applications, involving both the DOA and Metropolitan City, has made the system more effective and responsive. Greater empowerment at local level has increased the commitment of local people to conservation.</i></p> <p><i>Now that the conservation of the major monument is complete, attention has turned to the minor monuments and private houses. The mechanisms for directing financial support to private owners need to be made more effective in order to provide further incentives (050).</i></p>	096
<p>Give an overview over proposed future action / actions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>1. The monuments in the Monument Zone will be graded and the list of Protected Monuments will be Gazetted.</i></li> <li><i>2. A system of key indicators will be established to allow better direction of monitoring efforts within the monument zone.</i></li> <li><i>3. Further support will be given to house owners to encourage the conservation of traditional buildings.</i></li> <li><i>4. Programmes directed at the education of local people and visitors as to the benefits of conservation will be extended.</i></li> </ol>	097
<p>Name the agency responsible for implementation of these actions (if different from 005):</p> <p><i>As 05 and as 035 (2).</i></p>	098
<p>Give a timeframe for the implementation of the actions described above:</p> <p><i>Action 1 will be carried out in line with the Time-Bound Action Plan of the 55 Recommendations of the 1998 Joint Mission. 2 will be developed during the next year.3 and 4 will be ongoing.</i></p>	099
<p>Indicate for which of the planned activities International Assistance from the World Heritage Fund may be needed (if any):</p> <p><i>Further support for staff training would be desirable.</i></p>	100
<p>Are there any contacts with management units of other properties within or outside your country? (YES) / NO</p>	101
<p>If YES, please explain:</p>	102

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<p><b>II.7. continued</b></p> <p><i>The Baudhanath Area conservation and Development Committee and Kathmandu Metropolitan City also has contacts with the authorities for the other Monument Zones</i></p>	
<p>Please indicate which experience made during the periodic reporting exercise and/or during the on-going conservation / protection efforts of the property could be shared with other States Parties dealing with similar problems or issues:</p> <p><i>The experience of managing historic sites in a rapidly changing urban environment would be of particular value to other State Parties, particularly in developing countries.</i></p>	103
<p>Provide the name(s) and address(es) of organization(s) or specialist(s) who could be contacted for this purpose:</p> <p><i>As 035.</i></p>	104

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

<p>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.)?</p> <p><i>The Section II Report of Patan Monument Zone was prepared with the assistance of Giles Proctor, international expert and David Michelmore, international coordinator of the Asia Urbs Project which is taken as a model in preparing this report. The staff of the DOA and the concerning site managers gave their time sufficiently.</i></p>	105
<p>Was the questionnaire clear and did it help to comply with the reporting requirements of the State Party?</p> <p><i>More detailed instructions for the completion of the report would be helpful. Some abbreviation and elimination of duplication would also be beneficial.</i></p>	106
<p>What are the perceived benefits and lessons learnt of the exercise?</p> <p><i>The reporting exercise has helped to identify the strengths and weakness of the management of the Monument Zone. In particular, it has helped to remind those responsible of the many successes of the last few years and it has inspired confidence in the future. It is all too easy to be pessimistic, but an exercise such as this demonstrates that there is much about which to be optimistic.</i></p>	107

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<b>II.7. continued</b>	
<p>Please describe the expected outcome of the Periodic Reporting exercise and the desired follow-up by the World Heritage Committee:</p> <p><i>The state party are confident that the report will demonstrate the great advances which have been made in the management and conservation of the Baudhanath Monument Zone and that this will help, in concert with the reports on the other Monument Zones which make up the Kathmandu World Heritage Site, to convince the World Heritage Committee that the Site is not in danger. Continued support will be necessary to maintain the advances of the last few years, in particular in training the staff of the statutory authorities and to assist with the conservation of individual monuments and buildings. However, the report demonstrates that we can look to the future with confidence.</i></p>	108

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## 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 boundary and buffer zone as well as the necessary detail of the property itself (see question 003 for specifications)
  - ***See Annex – I of this report for boundary of the Monument Zone.***
  - ***See Annex-8 of the report of Kathmandu (Hanumandhoka) Darbar Square for General Location.***
2. ( ) Photo of general view (aerial view) of the property
  - ***See Annex-7***
3. ( ) Illustrations of the state of conservation of the site (photographs, slides and, if available, film/videos)
  - ***See Annex-4, and Annex -6***
4. ( ) Details of the important aspects of the property (landscapes, animal and vegetable species, 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
  - ***See Annex-2 of this exercise of Kathmandu (Hanumandhoka) Darbar Square for Monument Zone.***
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.)
  - ***See Annex-10***
8. ( ) Indicative bibliography
  - ***See Annex-11***

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## ANNEXES

Annex -1	:	Boundary of the Protected Monument Zone
Annex-2	:	Ancient Monument Preservation Act 2013 (1956 AD)
	:	Ancient Monument Preservation
	:	Rules 2046 (1989 AD)
Annex-3 :	:	Organization Chart of DOA
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Annex-5	:	Leaflets
Annex-6	:	Audiovidual compact discs.
Annex -7	:	Aerial photograph, showing the WH Site.
Annex-8	:	Topographic Map of Kathmandu Valley (Showing 7 Zones of Kathmandu Valley W.H. Site).
Annex-9	:	Annual Progress Report of Conservation.
Annex-10	:	Site Management plan.
Annex-11	:	Selected Bibliograph.

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## ANNEX- 1

### Map Showing the Boundary of Bauddhanath Protected Monument Zone

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ANNEX- 2

Ancient Monument Preservation Act 2013 (1956 A.D)

Ancient Monument Preservation Rules – 2046 (1989 A.D)

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## ANNEX -3

### Organization Chart of DOA

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ANNEX- 4  
Photographs

(Showing the Present Condition of the Monuments)

Bauddhanath

ANNEX-5  
Leaflets  
Buddhanath

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ANNEX-6  
Audiovisual Compact Discs

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ANNEX-7

# Aerial Photograph

(Showing Protected Monument Zones of Kathmandu Valley W.H.Sites)

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ANNEX-8

# Topographic Map of Kathmandu Valley

(Showing zones of Kathmandu Valley W.H.site)

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ANNEX-9

# Annual Progress Report of Conservation

UPDATED PROGRESS REPORT -2002

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## ANNEX- 10

# Site Management Plans

Masterplan for the conservation of Baudhanath, the World Heritage Site.

## ANNEX- 11

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Banerjee N.R. Nepali Architecture

R Bernier Nepalese Pagoda



**PERIODIC REPORTING EXERCISE  
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**SECTION II**

**State of Conservation of specific World Heritage properties**

**State Party: NEPAL**

**Property Name: KATHMANDU VALLEY**

**PATAN DARBAR SQUARE MONUMENT ZONE**

## PERIODIC REPORTING FOR WELL PLANNED HERITAGE PRESERVATION

### Background

The twenty-ninth General Conference of UNESCO, held in 1997, decided to activate Article 29 of the World Heritage Convention concerning the submission of periodic reports on the state of implementation of the World Heritage Convention (Section I) and the State of Conservation of World Heritage properties (Section II). The national authorities are invited to report on Section I, while Section II shall be prepared for each property inscribed on the World Heritage list by the person(s) directly in charge of the property's management.

The periodic reports prepared by the States Parties will serve a three-fold purpose:

- ❖ to assess the current state of all World Heritage related issues in a State Party,
- ❖ to help focus the Committee's as well as the State Party's future activities and funds,
- ❖ to strengthen sub-regional and regional co-operation between States Parties.

### The Periodic Reporting Questionnaire

In 1998, at its twenty-second session, the World Heritage Committee approved *Explanatory Notes*, designed to be read in conjunction with the *Periodic Reporting Format*, in order to outline the information expected to flow from the periodic reporting exercise. To facilitate the preparation of the report, a *Questionnaire* was developed that the States Parties are encouraged to use. It closely follows the subjects referred to in the *Explanatory Notes*, but in contrast to the latter splits the subjects up into short questions to be answered in a few sentences or paragraphs. A second type of question requires the indication of YES or NO by circling or underlining the appropriate answer. All questions are clearly identified with a little number in the right hand column of the *Questionnaire*. To make the reporting results meaningful every one of these questions has to be answered. If no answer is possible, the reasons should be given. If the available space is not sufficient for the answer, the response should be continued on a separate sheet of paper, clearly indicating the number of the question the text refers to (e.g. 006).

### Benefits for the States Parties

The *Questionnaire* was developed in such a way as to allow to extract and compile or compare relevant information from different States Parties or properties, facilitating the process of preparing the regional synthesis report to be presented to the World Heritage Committee. The YES / NO questions make it possible to evaluate the reports quantitatively, but only the details that should be supplied in the related 'open question' make the answers meaningful and can be the basis for concerted actions to preserve a State Party's most valuable heritage for its transmission to future generations.

The information collected in this way will help the States Parties to assess their own strengths and weaknesses concerning the implementation of the World Heritage Convention, putting them in a position to (re)define policies and to request assistance in order to finance projects and / or training. On the other hand it allows the World Heritage Committee to collect information needed to devise *Regional Action Plans*, give well-informed advice to States Parties and to focus funds as well as attention on the region(s), States Parties and / or properties that need the collective support of the international community.

The preparation process of the regional periodic report will furthermore enhance regional co-operation through information meetings as well as through the better availability of regularly up-dated information on activities as well as contact addresses etc. The identification of the State Party's strengths makes it possible to exchange experiences and look for solutions to problems (e.g. of site conservation) within the region.

### **Conclusion**

Periodic Reporting is a participatory exercise, aiming to collect information on World Heritage related issues on a national as well as on the property level. The individual State Party reports will be collated into a regional synthesis report to be presented to the World Heritage Committee. This information will enhance cooperation between the Committee and the States Parties and allow to focus funds and activities more efficiently, allowing the States Parties to protect their most valuable heritage more effectively for transmission to future generations.

**PERIODIC REPORTING ON THE APPLICATION OF THE  
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(FORMAT)**

**SECTION II: STATE OF CONSERVATION OF SPECIFIC WORLD HERITAGE PROPERTIES**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**II.1 Introduction**

- a. State Party
- b. Name of World Heritage property
- c. Geographical coordinates to the nearest second
- d. Date of inscription on the World Heritage List
- e. Organization(s) or entity(ies) responsible for the preparation of the report
- f. Date of report
- g. Signature on behalf of State Party

**II.2. Statement of significance**

**II.3. Statement of authenticity/integrity**

**II.4. Management**

**II.5. Factors affecting the property**

**II.6. Monitoring**

**II.7. Conclusions and recommended action**

- a. Main conclusions regarding the state of the World Heritage values of the property (see items II.2. and II.3. above)
- b. Main conclusions regarding the management and factors affecting the property (see Items II.4 and II.5. above)
- c. Proposed future action/actions
- d. Responsible implementing agency/agencies
- e. Timeframe for implementation
- f. Needs for international assistance.

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

**II.9. Documentation attached**



## II.1. Introduction

a.	Country (and State Party if different): <i>Nepal</i>	001
b.	Name of World Heritage property: <i>Kathmandu Valley WHS</i> <i>Patan Darbar Square Monument Zone</i>	002
c.	<p>In order to locate the property precisely, please attach a topographic map showing scale, orientation, projection, datum, site name, date 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 geographic information in digital form so that it can be integrated into a Geographic 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>Centre point:</p> <p>North-west corner: 27 40' 36.85"N</p> <p>South-east corner: 85 19' 47.60"E</p>	003
d.	Give the date of inscription on the World Heritage List and subsequent extension (if applicable): <i>1979</i>	004
e.	<p>Organization(s) or entity(ies) responsible for the preparation of this report.</p> <p>Organization(s) / entity(ies):</p> <p>Person(s) responsible: <i>Director General, Department of Archaeology</i></p> <p>Address: <i>Ramshah Path, Kathmandu, Nepal</i></p> <p>City and post code: <i>KATHMANDU</i></p> <p>Telephone: <i>977-1-250683, 250686, 250687</i></p> <p>Fax: <i>977-1-262856</i></p> <p>E-mail: <i>archaeology@infoclub.com.np</i></p>	005
f.	Date of preparation of the report: <i>November 2002</i>	006
g.	<p>Signature on behalf of the State Party</p> <p>Signature: .....</p> <p>Name: <i>Miss S N Kansakar</i></p> <p>Function: <i>Director General</i></p>	007

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## 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:</p> <p>Cultural criteria: i – ii – (iii) – (iv) – v – (vi)</p> <p>Natural criteria: i – ii – iii – iv</p> <p>Were new criteria added by re-nominating and/or extending the property after the original inscription? YES / (NO)</p> <p>If YES, please explain: <i>N/A</i></p>	<p>008</p> <p>009</p> <p>010</p>
<p>Please quote observations concerning the property made by the Advisory Body(ies) during the evaluation of the nomination:</p> <p><i>ICOMOS does not appear to have made any specific observations concerning the property at the time of inscription.</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):</p> <p><i>The comments of the World Heritage Committee at the time of inscription, if any, are not recorded.</i></p> <p>Identify the actions taken as follow-up to these observations and/or decisions:</p> <p><i>As no observations were made, no follow-up action was taken until after the 1993 UNESCO/ICOMOS Review Mission.</i></p>	<p>011</p> <p>012</p> <p>013</p>
<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 also detail what the property represents, what makes it outstanding, what the specific values are that distinguish the property as well as what its relationship with its setting is, etc.:</p> <p><i>The cultural heritage of the Kathmandu Valley, of outstanding universal value, is represented by seven groups of monuments and buildings which taken together as a multiple resource display the full array of historic and artistic achievement for which the Kathmandu Valley is world famous. The seven include the three Darbar Squares of Kathmandu, Patan and Bhaktapur, the two Buddhist stupas of Swayambhu and Baudhanath and the two Hindu temple complexes of Pashupati and Changu Narayan. The seven monument zones are not only architecturally rich, but form the setting for a vibrant and living intangible culture of artistic and craft activity and ritual practices. The zones form the background for the</i></p>	<p>014</p>

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<p><i>traditional way of life of the people of the Valley.</i> <b>II.2. continued</b></p>	
<p>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? <b>YES / (NO)</b></p> <p>If YES, please explain: <i>N/A</i></p>	<p>015</p> <p>016</p>
<p>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: <b>(YES) / NO</b></p> <p>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): <i>N/A</i></p>	<p>017</p> <p>018</p>
<p>Is the State Party actively considering a revision of the property boundaries or the buffer zone? <b>YES / (NO)</b></p> <p>If YES, indicate what is being done to that end: <i>N/A</i></p>	<p>019</p> <p>020</p>

**II.3. Statement of authenticity / integrity**

<p>Have the World Heritage values identified above been maintained since the property's inscription? <b>(YES) / NO</b></p> <p>If NO, please describe the changes and name the causes: <i>N/A</i></p>	<p>021</p> <p>022</p>
<p>What was the evaluation of the authenticity / integrity of the property at the time of inscription? (Please quote from the ICOMOS / IUCN evaluation):</p> <p><i>There is no record of the ICOMOS evaluation at the time of inscription.</i></p>	<p>023</p>
<p>Have there been changes in the authenticity / integrity since inscription? <b>(YES) / NO</b></p> <p>If YES, please describe the changes to the authenticity / integrity and name the main causes?</p> <p><i>Within the Patan Darbar Square Monument Zone the principal religious and public</i></p>	<p>024</p> <p>025</p>

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<p><i>monuments are now in a better condition than at any time since inscription. All the principal temples are in good repair or are under repair.</i></p> <p><b>II.3. continued</b></p> <p><i>The minor religious buildings are mainly in good repair, although some further work will be necessary. The Keshav Narayan Chowk of the Palace was repaired in 1990s and was opened as an outstandingly fine museum of religious bronzes, one of the principal traditional products of Patan., in 1997. The repair of the Sundari Chowk of the Palace is planned to start in 2003. However, as the World Heritage Committee is aware, the conservation of the traditional houses within the Monument Zone has proved to be more problematical. Since inscription a number of houses have been illegally demolished and replaced with inappropriate buildings of reinforced concrete, resulting in the loss of examples of the historic architecture of the Valley, disruption to the scale and detail of the historic streets and, in some cases, damage to the setting of the principal monuments.</i></p> <p><i>The replacement of traditional houses resulted from the rapid growth of the population of Patan, combined with the increasing wealth of many within the Monument Zone and their expectations of a higher quality of life. The legal and regulatory structures were not designed to cope with such pressures and were consequently virtually overwhelmed by the pressure of development. However, since the 1992 ICOMOS mission and report, subsequent reports, international financial support and technical cooperation, amendments to the protective legislation and greatly enhanced regulation and monitoring, the situation has been radically improved. In the last couple of years, the illegal demolition of houses within the Patan Darbar Square Monument Zone has not taken place, applications to demolish houses of historic interest have been resisted and the design and quality of new buildings has greatly improved. There is clear evidence of a greater understanding on the part of the people of Patan of the value and importance of their cultural heritage which, combined with continuing commitment of the regulatory authorities, will ensure that the successes of recent years are maintained and continued, safeguarding the surviving authenticity of the Monument Zone. It is already evident that the owners of some of the illegal concrete houses are aware of the degree to which they detract from the beauty and authenticity of the Monument Zone. Some propose to carry out corrective measures, such as refacing with traditional materials. The DOA and the Municipality propose to encourage (and enforce) others to carry out similar action, rectifying past damage.</i></p>	
<p>Are there (further) changes foreseeable to the authenticity / integrity of the property in the near future? YES / (NO)</p>	026
<p>If YES, please explain and indicate how these changes might affect the World Heritage values of the property: <i>N/A</i></p>	027

**II.4. Management**

<p>How could the arrangements for the protection and the management of the property best be defined (more than one indication possible)?</p>	028
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	Legal ( * ) Contractual ( ) Traditional ( * )	
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**II.4. continued**

	<p>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:</p> <p><i>The preservation of the built heritage of the Kingdom is governed by the Ancient Monuments Preservation Act 2013 (1956 AD) and amendments and the Ancient Monument Preservation Regulations (1989). The seven zones of the World Heritage Site have been declared to be Protected Monument Zones under the Act.</i></p> <p><i>The operation of development control within Patan Darbar Square Monument Zone has been modified by the Local Self Governance Act (1999), with the result that the Sub-Metropolitan City are now closely involved in the process in conjunction with the DOA. The exact arrangements are described in 033. As described in 025, the revised management arrangements are proving to be increasingly effective, due in no small part to effective monitoring and the involvement of the local community in the conservation effort. The DOA and the Sub-Metropolitan City have also worked hard to encourage the Guthiyars (trustees) of many of the minor monuments to have a better appreciation of their buildings and the value of traditional architecture and repair methods. As a result, management of the Monument Zone has been significantly enhanced.</i></p>	029
	<p>In general terms, can this legislative, contractual and/or traditional protection be considered sufficient? <span style="float: right;">(YES) / NO</span></p>	030
	<p>Please explain:</p> <p><i>The legal arrangements for protection of the Monument Zone are now generally good. It is proposed to eliminate some overlaps in jurisdiction by means of a Sixth Amendment of the Ancient Monuments Preservation Act, although this is unlikely to have a significant impact upon the implementation of the Act.</i></p> <p><i>The operation of the Guthis has been enhanced by local empowerment and education in the value of the built heritage, enhancing their effectiveness as property owners.</i></p>	031
	<p>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, amongst others). Please also attach any documentation available concerning these points:</p>	032

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<p><i>Nepalese laws and regulations concerning the preservation of the cultural heritage are listed below. Summaries are attached as appendices.</i></p> <p><b>II.4. continued</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>Ancient Monument Preservation Act 1956, Fifth Amendment 1996</i></li> <li>2. <i>Ancient Monument Preservation Regulations 1989</i></li> <li>3. <i>Guthi Sansthan Act 1966</i></li> <li>4. <i>Local Self Governance Act 1999</i></li> <li>5. <i>Construction Guidelines prescribed for the Protected Monument Zones.</i></li> </ol>	
<p>Describe the administrative and management arrangements that are in place for the property concerned, making special mention of the institutions 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:</p> <p><i>Overall legal protection of the Patan Darbar Square Monument Zone is the responsibility of the Department of Archaeology's Heritage Conservation Unit under the direction of the Chief of the World Heritage Management Division. Local monitoring is provided by the Darbar Maintenance Office of the DOA, which has an office in the Mul Chowk of Patan Palace.</i></p> <p><i>Planning applications for development within the Monument Zone are referred by the Building Permits Section of Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City to its Heritage Unit, which checks that these conform to current protective by-laws before they are referred to the DOA. The DOA checks that the referred applications meet national norms for heritage protection and negotiates improvements or recommends refusal if appropriate. Approval or refusal is granted by the Sub-Metropolitan City in accordance with the DOA's recommendation.</i></p> <p><i>A number of monuments are maintained and conserved by their traditional Guthiyars (trustees), under the technical direction and advice of the DOA.</i></p> <p><i>In 2002, Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City established ten Conservation Trusts within the historic city and provided seed money to support their activities. The Trusts are based on the traditional Toles (divisions of the city). It is intended that the future conservation activities of the city government will be implemented through the Trusts, helping to give local ownership. This will be under the technical direction of the DOA within the Monument Zone.</i></p> <p><i>The Ayaguthi Sattal, on the northern edge of the Darbar Square, would be inaugurated as a Heritage Outreach and Information Centre in near future. It will be managed by the Sub-Metropolitan City and will provide heritage information particularly to visitors and schoolchildren. It is notable that the Ayaguthi Sattal, which was featured in a state of dereliction on the cover of the 1993 report of the UNESCO/ICOMOS Review Mission, has</i></p>	033

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<p><i>now been beautifully and authentically restored.</i></p>	
<p>Please indicate under which level of authority the property is managed:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Local ( * ) Regional ( ) National ( * )</p> <p><b><i>II.4. continued</i></b></p> <p>Other (please describe):</p>	034
<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>1. The Director General</i> <i>Department of Archaeology</i> <i>Ramshahpath, Kathmandu</i> <i>Phone: +977-1-250683</i> <i>Fax: +977-1-262856</i> <i>E-mail: <a href="mailto:archaeology@infoclub.com.np">archaeology@infoclub.com.np</a></i> <i>Website: <a href="http://www.doa.gov.np">www.doa.gov.np</a></i></p> <p><i>2. The Head of the Heritage Unit</i> <i>Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City</i> <i>PO Box 8260, Pulchowk</i> <i>Lalitpur</i> <i>Phone: +977-1-550409/550410</i> <i>Fax: +977-1-521495</i> <i>E-mail: <a href="mailto:heritage@lsmc.wlink.com.np">heritage@lsmc.wlink.com.np</a></i> <i>Website: <a href="http://www.umedp.com.np">www.umedp.com.np</a></i></p>	035
<p>Is it necessary to revise the administrative and management arrangements for the property? (YES)/ NO</p>	036
<p>If YES, explain why this is the case:</p> <p><i>Subject to further analysis, some revision to visitor management, including increasing the effectiveness of the Tourist Entry Charge, would be desirable. The revenue generated by the Entry Charge has great potential for enhancing the conservation and management of the Monument Zone, as well as providing tangible evidence of the value of heritage conservation to the economy of the city due to the revenue which should accrue.</i></p>	037
<p>Is there a management plan for the property? (YES) / NO</p>	038
<p>If YES, please summarize, indicating if the plan is being implemented and since when:</p>	039

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	<p><i>The Patan Heritage Conservation Masterplan was published in 1998 with the support of GTZ. It makes recommendations for the improved management of the built heritage and open spaces within the whole of the historic city and recommends the establishment of six conservation areas outside the Monument Zone. These are in the process of being designated as Protected Areas by Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City under the provisions of the Local Self Governance Act 1999. It is intended that by these means the benefits of the protective measures in force within the Monument Zone can be extended to the wider historic city.</i></p> <p><i>II.4. continued</i></p>	
	<p>Please report on legal and administrative actions that are foreseen for the future, 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>Amendments to the protective legislation are proposed in order to resolve overlaps in institutions and jurisdiction to enhance future management of the Monument Zones. This proposal is currently under discussion by the concerned authorities.</i></p>	040
	<p>Please provide detailed information, particularly in cases where changes have occurred since the inscription of the property, on the following matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Conservation</u> Make reference to all major interventions at the property and describe its present state of conservation:</li> </ul> <p><i>Nineteen individual monuments are listed in the original nomination dossier. These monuments represent only the most significant and do not include minor monuments and the private buildings which have been identified as worthy of preservation and which will be graded and Gazetted. Of the nineteen, virtually all are in good repair. Since 1998, the repair of the Krishna Mandir and Bhimsen Mandir has been completed and the Ayaguthi Sattal has been fully restored. Repairs are currently underway to the Ganesh Temple. Work is expected to start on the conservation of the Sundari Chowk of the Palace in 2003.</i></p> <p><i>Of the minor monuments, the Jya Baha Bahi Pati, which was destroyed in the 1934 earthquake, has been restored reusing the original timber columns which had been in store. Various works of repair have been carried out to private houses at the expense of their owners. Just outside the Monument Zone the important Shah period Shrestha House has been repaired for conversion into quality tourist accommodation. Similar projects are to take place at the large Rajbhandari House and the small Amatya House, both in Patuko in the Monument Zone. It is intended that these will serve as exemplars for the conservation of the historic private houses and their adaptation for modern modes of life.</i></p>	041
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Ownership</u> Make reference to all major changes in ownership of the property and describe the present state of ownership:</li> </ul> <p><i>Ownership of the major monuments remains variously with the DOA and the traditional guthis. The minor monuments, including the houses, are largely privately owned. Most remain with their traditional lineages, but inevitably there have been some changes of ownership.</i></p>	042
	<p>Please, give a detailed description of the staffing of the site:</p>	043

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	<p><i>The DOA World Heritage Management Section has five members of staff and the Heritage Conservation Unit has a further eighteen posts, which includes four professional staff and twelve technical staff. The Darbar Maintenance Office of the DOA in Patan Palace has a staff of twelve, not including the staff responsible for the Patan Museum.</i></p> <p><b>II.4. continued</b></p> <p><i>The Heritage Unit of Lalipur Sub-Metropolitan City has a staff of one professional and three technical posts, not including the staff of the Building Permits Section. In addition, the two year Asia Urbs Project, funded by the European Commission in partnership with Chester City Council (UK), the Municipio di Feltre (Italy), Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City and Khokana Village Development Committee, for providing capacity building and training for the enhanced management of the historic areas, employs ten full-time and two part-time professional staff, one international trainer and three technical staff.</i></p> <p>Is the staffing level sufficient for adequate management of the property?      <u>(YES)</u> / NO</p> <p>If NO, what should be done to improve the situation? <i>N/A</i></p>	<p>044</p> <p>045</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>The staff of both the DOA and the Building Permits Section of the Sub-Metropolitan City require training in monitoring and achieving compliance with the protective legislation. The work of the Asia Urbs Project, which is providing such training for the City's Heritage Unit, needs to be continued beyond its terminal date of January 2004.</i></p> <p><i>Training for DOA and City staff is required in the documentation and recording of the historic environment. Training in conservation and archaeological techniques to up-to-date international standards is also required. The Asia Urbs Project has made a start on the latter, providing training in modern urban archaeology on a site in the Patan Monument Zone.</i></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 DOA has an annual budget for conservation, this year of Rs 7,400,000 (US\$95,000) for the whole of the WHS. Within the Patan Darbar Square Monument Zone the Sub-Metropolitan City has funded environmental improvements and will support works through the new Conservation Trusts.</i></p> <p><i>The Kathmandu Valley Preservation Trust, which has its office in Patan, raises funds for conservation work from national and international donors and recently funded the restoration of the Ayaguthi Sattal. The GTZ through its Urban Development through Local Efforts programme has historically supported the conservation of a number of minor monuments and has also supported environmental enhancements. The Lalitpur Heritage</i></p>	<p>048</p>

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<p><i>Group is currently restoring a number of Hitis (traditional water spouts), with the support of the Asia Urbs Project. The Patan Tourism Development Organisation are conserving the Shrestha, Rajbhandari and Amatya houses, for conversion into quality tourism accommodation, with the support of UNESCO and the Asia Urbs Project.</i></p> <p><i>It is anticipated that the UNESCO-Japan Funds in Trust will finance the conservation of the Sundari Chowk of Patan Palace.</i></p> <p><b>II.4. continued</b></p> <p><i>The tourist entrance fee produces an income for conservation and environmental projects and has scope for future development and reform. The Patan Museum charges a separate entrance fee which supports the maintenance of the museum to a high standard.</i></p> <p>Is the available funding sufficient for adequate management of the property? YES / (NO)</p> <p>If NOT, describe the financial resources that would be required for the management of the property:</p> <p><i>The funds available from all sources are largely sufficient for the conservation of the major monuments. A mechanism needs to be developed to provide financial support for the conservation and careful modernisation of the private houses of the Monument Zone, which form the bulk of the historic buildings and must be preserved if the integrity and authenticity of the Zone is to be retained.</i></p>	<p>049</p> <p>050</p>
<p>Indicate International Assistance from which the property has benefited:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Heritage Fund:</li> </ul> <p><i>Patan Darbar Square Monument Zone has received US\$19,969 for the Taleju Ritual Kitchen and US\$24,310 for the roof of Taleju Mandir. Funding has also been received for the Biswanath Temple and Patuko Agamchhe.</i></p> <p><i>The preparation of a digital data base for Patan Darbar Square Monument Zone was provided as part of the support for the Development Control Unit in 1995 (US\$52,000).</i></p>	<p>051</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UNESCO International Campaign:</li> </ul> <p><i>The UNESCO International Campaign encompasses many of the conservation projects carried out between 1979 and 2001. It was an international awareness raising operation and it is not possible to identify the precise amount directly attributable to the Campaign as a whole, nor those for projects solely within the Patan Darbar Square Monument Zone. The Evaluation of the Campaign (UNESCO 2001) lists the projects carried out during the Campaign in appendix 2.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National and/or regional projects of UNDP, the World Bank or other agencies:</li> </ul>	<p>052</p> <p>053</p>

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<p><i>No projects have been directly funded through UNDP.</i></p>	
<p><i>UNESCO/Japan Funds in Trust supported the recording, documentation and development of the repair specification for all of Patan Palace, except for Keshav Narayan Chowk, with US\$356,000.</i></p>	
<p><b>II.4. continued</b></p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bilateral co-operation:</li> </ul>	054
<p><i>The Austrian Government funded the restoration of the Keshav Narayan Chomk of Patan Palace and its conversion to Patan Museum with Rs.9,433,241 (US\$121,000). The restoration of I Baha Bahi was supported with Rs.7,309,016 (US\$93,700) from the Nippon Institute of Technology, Japan.</i></p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Other assistance:</li> </ul>	055
<p><i>Other assistance, as described in 048, has been received from national and international donors. The exact amounts involved have not been calculated.</i></p>	

<p>Describe the IT (computer) equipment of the site and/or management office and assess its effectiveness:</p>	056
<p><i>The World Heritage Management Section of the DOA has one computer, but the site office at Patan Palace is not similarly equipped. The Heritage Unit of Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City will inherit the computer equipment of the Asia Urbs Project. The Heritage Information and Outreach Centre has a computer.</i></p>	
<p>Are you using (multiple indications are possible):</p>	057
<p style="padding-left: 40px;">PC ( * )</p>	
<p style="padding-left: 40px;">Apple ( )</p>	
<p style="padding-left: 40px;">Mainframe ( )</p>	
<p>Please, give the number of available computers:</p>	058
<p><i>The DOA World Heritage Management Section has one computer. The Asia Urbs Project has five.</i></p>	

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Does an operational access to the Internet exist? (YES) / NO	059
<i>In both the DOA and Lalitpur City.</i>	
Is e-mail used for daily correspondence? (YES) / NO	060
Is there a Geographical Information System (GIS) for the site? YES / (NO)	061
<i>There is no GIS as such, but the Monument Zone has been digitally mapped.</i>	
If YES, what software do you have and how is the GIS used? N/A	062

**II.4. continued**

List scientific studies and research programmes that have been conducted concerning the site:	063
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>A hand measured survey of the Sundari Chowk of Patan Palace.</i></li> <li>2. <i>A digital and photogrammetric survey of the Mul Chowk, Taleju Mandir and Degu Talle of Patan Palace.</i></li> <li>3. <i>Digital mapping of Patan Darbar Square Monument Zone.</i></li> <li>4. <i>An inventory of all public and private monuments in the Monument Zone.</i></li> <li>5. <i>A study of Patan Palace by Nippon Institute of Technology.</i></li> <li>6. <i>A study of Nepalese Chaityas by Neils Gütschow.</i></li> <li>7. <i>A study of the Buddhist Monasteries of Nepal (mostly in Patan) by John K Locke.</i></li> </ol>	

Describe financial and human resource inputs for the research programmes and or facilities: <i>The research projects have been funded by HMG Nepal, UNESCO, bilateral assistance and national and international donors.</i>	064
Describe how the information / results are disseminated?  <i>The information is disseminated by publication and through workshops, seminars, public lectures and exhibitions.</i>	065
Are there any visitor statistics for the site? (YES) / NO	066

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<p>If YES, please summarise the statistics and attach to this report:</p> <p><i>The Patan Tourism Development Organisation estimates that, in a normal year, approximately 100,000 visit the Monument Zone.</i></p>	067
<p>What visitor facilities do you have at the property?</p> <p><i>The Patan Museum is the principal facility provided for visitors. As well as exhibiting historic bronzes to international standards, the museum has a shop, information point, lavatories and a café. A Heritage Information and Outreach Centre is being established in the Ayaguhti Sattal. Public Transport is available to and from most parts of the Kathmandu Valley. As Patan is a vibrant urban area many privately owned shops, cafés, restaurants and guest houses which cater for visitors are found within the Monument Zone. Larger hotels are within easy reach.</i></p> <p><b>II.4. continued</b></p>	068
<p>What visitor facilities are you in need of?</p> <p><i>It is hoped that it will soon be possible for visitors to stay in traditional houses which have been converted into high quality tourist accommodation. The Shrestha House will be available in the near future. (See 041).</i></p>	069
<p>Is a public use plan (tourism / visitor management plan) in existence for the property? (<u>YES</u>) / NO</p>	070
<p>If YES, please summarize, if NO explain if one is needed:</p> <p><i>The Patan Heritage Conservation Masterplan covers tourism issues and a related tourism strategy is being developed by the Asia Urbs Project.</i></p>	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>The Heritage Information and Outreach Centre will provide information on the WHS, particularly to visitors and schoolchildren. A range of information leaflets, illustrated in colour, have been produced by the DOA, Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City, the Asia Urbs project, the Patan Tourism Development Organisation and other bodies. These are published in English, Nepali and Newari and are distributed through the Centre, the Museum, the City Office and elsewhere.</i></p> <p><i>A carved stone plaque provides information on the Monument Zone and its principal monuments in English. Stone markers, indicating the boundaries of the Monument Zone, have been erected.</i></p> <p><i>Special events and exhibitions have been held, the most recent being the Lalit Heritage</i></p>	072

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<p><i>Exhibition organised under the auspices of Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City and the Asia Urbs Project. It was held in the Mul Chowk, the Keshav Narayan Chowk and the Bhandarkal Garden of Patan Palace and was attended by an estimated 20,000, almost entirely citizens of Patan.</i></p>	
<p>Are there educational programmes concerning the property aimed at schools? <u>(YES)</u> / NO</p>	073
<p>If yes, please describe:</p> <p><i>A schools awareness programme, explaining the significance of the WHS, is being organised by the Asia Urbs Project in association with the Kathmandu Valley Preservation Trust.</i></p>	074

**II.4. continued**

<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>World Heritage status is widely publicised both nationally and internationally and is crucial for the recognition of the outstanding cultural value of the Kathmandu Valley. The publicity given to the WHS undoubtedly attracts a high proportion of the visitors to the Kingdom as a whole.</i></p>	075
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**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, environmental pressure, natural disasters and preparedness, visitor / tourism pressure, number of inhabitants. Also mention all other issues that you see as problematic.</p> <p><i>As explained above, the Monument Zone is subject to significant pressure due to population growth and rapid economic development and consequential social change. As the Valley has become increasingly heavily populated the open farmland which surrounded the historic city at the time of inscription of the Monument Zone has been built over and the environment has been increasingly polluted.</i></p> <p><i>The whole Valley is an area of high earthquake risk and Patan received damage at modified Mercalli Scale IX in 1934. Some earthquake strengthening using traditional methods has already been undertaken to counter future risk.</i></p> <p><i>The Monument Zone has the capacity to accommodate significantly higher visitor numbers than at present.</i></p>	076
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	<p>Is there an emergency plan and / or risk preparedness plan for the property in existence? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If YES, please summarise the plan and provide a copy:</p> <p><i>The Asia Urbs Project has devised a survey designed to assess risk to traditional buildings. Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City is implementing the Nepal Building Code which is designed to mitigate the risk of earthquake damage.</i></p> <p>If NO, describe what is being done – and by whom – to counteract the dangers that threaten or may threaten the property: <i>N/A</i></p>	<p>077</p> <p>078</p> <p>079</p>
	<p>Indicate areas where improvement would be desirable and/or towards which the State Party is working:</p> <p><b><i>II.5. continued</i></b></p> <p><i>The recent successes of the DOA and the Sub-Metropolitan City in resisting illegal development within the Monument Zone need to be maintained. Further institutional strengthening, including maintaining the benefits of the Asia Urbs Project, will be necessary. Winning the hearts and minds of the citizens of Patan for the conservation of their city will be crucial for this work.</i></p>	<p>080</p>
	<p>Give an indication if the impact of the factors affecting the property is increasing or decreasing:</p> <p><i>As explained, due to the diligence of the regulatory authorities the detrimental factors affecting the property are decreasing.</i></p>	<p>081</p>
	<p>What actions have been effectively taken, or are planned for the future, to address the factors affecting the property?</p> <p><i>Increased training of staff responsible for monitoring the Monument Zone is planned.</i></p> <p><i>Regular monitoring of the Monument Zone is being undertaken.</i></p> <p><i>Support is being provided by HM Government for house owners through the provision of subsidised timber and traditional bricks. 10% of the total cost of traditional construction is borne by HMG.</i></p> <p><i>The Lalit Heritage Awards were given in Patan as part of the Lalit Heritage Exhibition. Their aim is to enhance the standard of conservation and traditional design.</i></p>	<p>082</p>

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## II.6. Monitoring

<p>If applicable, give details (e.g. dates, results, indicators chosen) of any previous periodic or reactive monitoring exercises of the property:</p> <p><i>In 1993 a joint UNESCO/ICOMOS Review Mission defined Sixteen Points of Concern. From 1994 annual monitoring reports were submitted by HMG to the World Heritage Committee to demonstrate compliance with the Sixteen Points.</i></p> <p><i>In 1998 a UNESCO/ICOMOS/HMG Joint Mission made 55 recommendations and defined a time-bound action plan of corrective measures. Subsequent monitoring reports have demonstrated the success of the authorities in implementing the recommendations.</i></p>	083
<p>Is there a formal monitoring system established for the site? <span style="float: right;">(YES) / NO</span></p> <p><b>II.6. continued</b></p>	084
<p>If YES, please give details of its organization:</p> <p><i>1. National High Level Monitoring Committee</i></p> <p><i>To monitor the implementation of the time-bound Action Plan recommended by the UNESCO/ICOMOS/HMG Nepal Joint Mission, a High Level Monitoring Committee has been established under the chairmanship of the Honourable Minister for Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation. The Secretary and Joint Secretary of the ministry, the mayors of Kathmandu Metropolitan City, Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City and Bhaktapur Municipality and the Chief District Officers of Kathmandu, Lalitpur and Bhaktapur are members. The Member Secretary of the Committee is the Director General of the DOA. The Committee meets every month to monitor and evaluate implementation of the Action Plan and has been effective in ensuring enhanced conservation of the WHS.</i></p> <p><i>2. World Heritage Management Division</i></p> <p><i>This is one of the seven divisions of the DOA and is dedicated to the management, monitoring and reporting of the state of preservation of the WHS.</i></p> <p><i>3. Heritage Conservation Unit</i></p> <p><i>The Unit is part of the DOA and advises on the conservation of the Monument Zone.</i></p> <p><i>4. Darbar Maintenance Office</i></p> <p><i>This is located in Patan Palace and is part of the DOA. It carries out regular monitoring of the Monument Zone.</i></p> <p><i>5. Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City</i></p> <p><i>The Building Permits Section and Heritage Conservation Unit of the City are involved with</i></p>	085

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	<i>monitoring of the Monument Zone on a local level.</i>	
	<p>If not already in place, is the establishment of a formal monitoring system planned? YES / NO</p> <p><i>N/A</i></p>	086
	<p>If YES, please outline the functioning of that system, taking into consideration the key indicators you will be asked to define below (see 089 / 090):</p> <p><i>N/A</i></p>	087
	<p>Are there any indicators established for monitoring the state of conservation of the property? YES / (NO)</p> <p>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: <i>N/A</i></p>	088
	<p><b><i>II.6. continued</i></b></p>	089
	<p>If NO indicators have been identified and / or used so far, please define key indicators for future use in monitoring:</p> <p><i>A system of indicators is under consideration under the Asia Urbs Project. Key indicators are likely to be:</i></p> <p><i>Refusal/granting of demolition permits</i></p> <p><i>Illegal development and enforcement action</i></p> <p><i>Repair grants given</i></p> <p><i>Repairs undertaken</i></p> <p><i>New buildings constructed in accordance with approved plans</i></p> <p><i>Numbers of buildings at risk</i></p> <p><i>Property value/added value</i></p> <p><i>Monitoring will be assisted by the listing of all monuments in the Monument Zone in three grades. It will be possible to use this list and the inventory descriptions as a base line, allowing change to be monitored and recorded.</i></p>	090
	<p>Indicate which partners, if any, are involved or will be involved in the regular monitoring exercise:</p> <p><i>The DOA and the Sub-Metropolitan City will be involved in regular monitoring.</i></p>	091
	<p>Identify the administrative provisions for organizing the regular monitoring of the property:</p> <p><i>The monitoring arrangements are described in 085.</i></p>	092

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<p>Describe what improvement the State Party foresees or would consider desirable in improving the monitoring system:</p> <p><i>Apart from establishing Key Indicators, better training, particularly of site staff, would be desirable. The Darbar Maintenance Office also requires a computer and E-mail in order to be fully effective.</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 the 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 described in 085, a National High Level Monitoring Committee has been established to ensure that the 55 recommendations of the 1988 Joint Mission are implemented. An expert committee has also been established to grade the monuments in accordance with the recommendations and the ICOMOS guidelines.</i></p>	094

## II.7. Conclusions and recommended actions

<p>Please summarize the main conclusions regarding the state of the World Heritage values of the property (see items II.2. and II.3. above):</p> <p><i>Although the World Heritage Values of the Monument Zone are largely unchanged since the time of Inscription (021) and the monuments are generally in a better state than at any time since inscription, the authenticity and integrity of the site has been damaged by demolition and redevelopment of houses which the statutory authorities were unable to control. The legal and regulatory provisions have now been overhauled, resulting in greatly enhanced management of the zone and preventing further erosion of its integrity. Conservation projects for a number of private historic houses within the Monument Zone should help to recover some of the losses of the 1990s.</i></p>	095
<p>Please summarize the main conclusions regarding the management and factors affecting the property (see items II.4. and II.5. above):</p> <p><i>The improved handling of planning applications, involving both the DOA and Sub-Metropolitan City, has made the system more effective and responsive. Greater empowerment at local level has increased the commitment of local people to conservation, The designation of Conservation Areas outside the Monument Zone has helped to disseminate the benefits of conservation to a wider audience, helping to break down the perception that it is imposed from above, rather than responding to the needs of the people. This work should be supported by the new Heritage Information and Outreach Centre (072).</i></p> <p><i>Now that the conservation of the major monuments is largely complete, attention has turned</i></p>	096

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<p><i>to the minor monuments and private houses. It is hoped that projects such as the repair and conversion to quality tourist accommodation of the Rajbhandari and Amatya Houses (041) will help to demonstrate not only the aesthetic and historic benefits of the historic houses, but also their economic value. The mechanisms for directing financial support to private owners need to be made more effective in order to provide further incentives (050).</i></p> <p><i>Studies are underway, supported by the Asia Urbs Project, to assess the risk of earthquake damage to traditional buildings (078) which it is hoped will form the basis of improved measures and understanding. The Asia Urbs Project is also designed to strengthen the existing institutions by providing training and support.</i></p>	
<p>Give an overview over proposed future action / actions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>1. The monuments in the Monument Zone will be graded and the list of Protected Monuments will be Gazetted.</i></li> <li><i>2. A system of key indicators will be established to allow better direction of monitoring efforts within the monument zone.</i></li> <li><i>3. The benefits of the Asia Urbs Project will be maintained and used as a model for further training and institutional strengthening.</i></li> <li><i>4. Further support will be given to house owners to encourage the conservation of traditional buildings.</i></li> </ol> <p><b>II.7. continued</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>5. Programmes directed at the education of local people and visitors as to the benefits of conservation will be extended.</i></li> </ol>	097
<p>Name the agency responsible for implementation of these actions (if different from 005):</p> <p><i>As 05 and as 035 (2).</i></p>	098
<p>Give a timeframe for the implementation of the actions described above:</p> <p><i>Action 1 will be carried out in line with the Time-Bound Action Plan of the 55 Recommendations of the 1998 Joint Mission. 2 and 3 will be developed during the next year. 4 and 5 will be ongoing.</i></p>	099
<p>Indicate for which of the planned activities International Assistance from the World Heritage Fund may be needed (if any):</p> <p><i>Further support for staff training would be desirable.</i></p>	100
<p>Are there any contacts with management units of other properties within or outside your country? (YES) / NO</p>	101

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<p>If YES, please explain:</p> <p><i>The Asia Urbs Project (043) has brought the Sub-Metropolitan City into contact with the heritage units of the cities of Bath and Chester (United Kingdom) and the Municipio di Feltre (Italy). The City also has contacts with the authorities for the other Monument Zones and the Village Development Committee of the proposed additional Monument Zone of Khokana.</i></p>	102
<p>Please indicate which experience made during the periodic reporting exercise and/or during the on-going conservation / protection efforts of the property could be shared with other States Parties dealing with similar problems or issues:</p> <p><i>The experience of managing historic sites in a rapidly changing urban environment would be of particular value to other State Parties, particularly in developing countries.</i></p>	103
<p>Provide the name(s) and address(es) of organization(s) or specialist(s) who could be contacted for this purpose:</p> <p><i>As 035.</i></p>	104

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

<p>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.)?</p> <p><i>The Section II Report was prepared with the assistance of Giles Proctor, international expert and David Michelmores, international coordinator of the Asia Urbs Project. The staff of the DOA and the Sub-Metropolitan City gave freely of their time.</i></p>	105
<p>Was the questionnaire clear and did it help to comply with the reporting requirements of the State Party?</p> <p><i>More detailed instructions for the completion of the report would be helpful. Some abbreviation and elimination of duplication would also be beneficial.</i></p>	106
<p>What are the perceived benefits and lessons learnt of the exercise?</p> <p><i>The reporting exercise has helped to identify the strengths and weakness of the management of the Monument Zone. In particular, it has helped to remind those responsible of the many</i></p>	107

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<p><i>successes of the last few years and it has inspired confidence in the future. It is all too easy to be pessimistic, but an exercise such as this demonstrates that there is much about which to be optimistic.</i></p>	
<p>Please describe the expected outcome of the Periodic Reporting exercise and the desired follow-up by the World Heritage Committee:</p> <p><i>The state party are confident that the report will demonstrate the great advances which have been made in the management and conservation of the Patan Darbar Square Monument Zone and that this will help, in concert with the reports on the other Monument Zones which make up the Kathmandu World Heritage Site, to convince the World Heritage Committee that the Site is not in danger. Continued support will be necessary to maintain the advances of the last few years, in particular in training the staff of the statutory authorities and to assist with the conservation of individual monuments and buildings. However, the report demonstrates that we can look to the future with confidence.</i></p>	108

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## 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 boundary and buffer zone as well as the necessary detail of the property itself (see question 003 for specifications)  
See Annex-1& 8
2. ( ) Photo of general view (aerial view) of the property  
See Annex-7
3. ( ) Illustrations of the state of conservation of the site (photographs, slides and, if available, film/videos)  
See Annex-4& 6
4. ( ) Details of the important aspects of the property (landscapes, animal and vegetable species, 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  
  
See Annex-2 of the Report of Kathmandu(Hanumandhoka)Durbar Square Protected Monument Zone.
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.)  
See Annex-10
8. ( ) Indicative bibliography  
See Annex-11

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## ANNEXES

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## ANNEX- 1

Map Showing the Boundary of

Patan Protected Monument Zone

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ANNEX- 2

Ancient Monument Preservation Act 2013 (1956 A.D)

Ancient Monument Preservation Rules – 2046 (1989 A.D)

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## ANNEX -3

### Organization Chart of DOA

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## ANNEX- 4

### Photographs

(Showing the Present Condition of the Monuments)

Patan

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ANNEX-5  
Leaflets  
Patan

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ANNEX-6  
Audiovisual Compact Discs

Lalitpur, (Patan) The city of Fine Arts and Beauty

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## ANNEX-7

# Aerial Photograph

(Showing Protected Monument Zones of Kathmandu Valley W.H.Sites)

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ANNEX-8

# Topographic Map of Kathmandu Valley

(Showing zones of Kathmandu Valley W.H.site)

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ANNEX-9

# Annual Progress Report of Conservation

UPDATED PROGRESS REPORT -2002

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## ANNEX- 10

# Site Management Plans

## ANNEX- 11

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**PERIODIC REPORTING EXERCISE  
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CONVENTION**

**SECTION II**

**State of Conservation of specific World Heritage properties**

**State Party: NEPAL**

**Property Name: KATHMANDU VALLEY**

**BHADGAON (Bhaktapur) DARBAR SQUARE MONUMENT ZONE**

## PERIODIC REPORTING FOR WELL PLANNED HERITAGE PRESERVATION

### Background

The twenty-ninth General Conference of UNESCO, held in 1997, decided to activate Article 29 of the World Heritage Convention concerning the submission of periodic reports on the state of implementation of the World Heritage Convention (Section I) and the State of Conservation of World Heritage properties (Section II). The national authorities are invited to report on Section I, while Section II shall be prepared for each property inscribed on the World Heritage list by the person(s) directly in charge of the property's management.

The periodic reports prepared by the States Parties will serve a three-fold purpose:

- ❖ to assess the current state of all World Heritage related issues in a State Party,
- ❖ to help focus the Committee's as well as the State Party's future activities and funds,
- ❖ to strengthen sub-regional and regional co-operation between States Parties.

### The Periodic Reporting Questionnaire

In 1998, at its twenty-second session, the World Heritage Committee approved *Explanatory Notes*, designed to be read in conjunction with the *Periodic Reporting Format*, in order to outline the information expected to flow from the periodic reporting exercise. To facilitate the preparation of the report, a *Questionnaire* was developed that the States Parties are encouraged to use. It closely follows the subjects referred to in the *Explanatory Notes*, but in contrast to the latter splits the subjects up into short questions to be answered in a few sentences or paragraphs. A second type of question requires the indication of YES or NO by circling or underlining the appropriate answer. All questions are clearly identified with a little number in the right hand column of the *Questionnaire*. To make the reporting results meaningful every one of these questions has to be answered. If no answer is possible, the reasons should be given. If the available space is not sufficient for the answer, the response should be continued on a separate sheet of paper, clearly indicating the number of the question the text refers to (e.g. 006).

### Benefits for the States Parties

The *Questionnaire* was developed in such a way as to allow to extract and compile or compare relevant information from different States Parties or properties, facilitating the process of preparing the regional synthesis report to be presented to the World Heritage Committee. The YES / NO questions make it possible to evaluate the reports quantitatively, but only the details that should be supplied in the related 'open question' make the answers meaningful and can be the basis for concerted actions to preserve a State Party's most valuable heritage for its transmission to future generations.

The information collected in this way will help the States Parties to assess their own strengths and weaknesses concerning the implementation of the World Heritage Convention, putting them in a position to (re)define policies and to request assistance in order to finance projects and / or training. On the other hand it allows the World Heritage Committee to collect information needed to devise *Regional Action Plans*, give well-informed advice to States Parties and to focus funds as well as attention on the region(s), States Parties and / or properties that need the collective support of the international community.

The preparation process of the regional periodic report will furthermore enhance regional co-operation through information meetings as well as through the better availability of regularly up-dated information on activities as well as contact addresses etc. The identification of the State Party's strengths makes it possible to exchange experiences and look for solutions to problems (e.g. of site conservation) within the region.

### **Conclusion**

Periodic Reporting is a participatory exercise, aiming to collect information on World Heritage related issues on a national as well as on the property level. The individual State Party reports will be collated into a regional synthesis report to be presented to the World Heritage Committee. This information will enhance cooperation between the Committee and the States Parties and allow to focus funds and activities more efficiently, allowing the States Parties to protect their most valuable heritage more effectively for transmission to future generations.

**PERIODIC REPORTING ON THE APPLICATION OF THE  
WORLD HERITAGE CONVENTION  
(FORMAT)**

**SECTION II: STATE OF CONSERVATION OF SPECIFIC WORLD HERITAGE PROPERTIES**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**II.1 Introduction**

- a. State Party
- b. Name of World Heritage property
- c. Geographical coordinates to the nearest second
- d. Date of inscription on the World Heritage List
- e. Organization(s) or entity(ies) responsible for the preparation of the report
- f. Date of report
- g. Signature on behalf of State Party

**II.2. Statement of significance**

**II.3. Statement of authenticity/integrity**

**II.4. Management**

**II.5. Factors affecting the property**

**II.6. Monitoring**

**II.7. Conclusions and recommended action**

- a. Main conclusions regarding the state of the World Heritage values of the property (see items II.2. and II.3. above)
- b. Main conclusions regarding the management and factors affecting the property (see Items II.4 and II.5. above)
- c. Proposed future action/actions
- d. Responsible implementing agency/agencies
- e. Timeframe for implementation
- f. Needs for international assistance.

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

**II.9. Documentation attached**

## II.1. Introduction

a.	Country (and State Party if different): <i>Nepal</i>	001
b.	Name of World Heritage property: <i>Kathmandu Valley WHS</i> <i>Bhadgaon (Bhaktapur) Darbar Square Monument Zone</i>	002
c.	<p>In order to locate the property precisely, please attach a topographic map showing scale, orientation, projection, datum, site name, date 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 geographic information in digital form so that it can be integrated into a Geographic 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>Centre point:</p> <p>North-west corner: 27 40' 16.18"N</p> <p>South-east corner: 85 25' 54.09"E</p>	003
d.	Give the date of inscription on the World Heritage List and subsequent extension (if applicable): <i>1979</i>	004
e.	<p>Organization(s) or entity(ies) responsible for the preparation of this report.</p> <p>Organization(s) / entity(ies):</p> <p>Person(s) responsible: <i>Director General, Department of Archaeology</i></p> <p>Address: <i>Ramshah Path, Kathmandu, Nepal</i></p> <p>City and post code: <i>KATHMANDU</i></p> <p>Telephone: <i>977-1-250683, 250686, 250687</i></p> <p>Fax: <i>977-1-262856</i></p> <p>E-mail: <i>archaeology@infoclub.com.np</i></p>	005
f.	Date of preparation of the report: <i>November 2002</i>	006
g.	<p>Signature on behalf of the State Party</p> <p>Signature: .....</p> <p>Name: <i>Miss S N Kansakar</i></p> <p>Function: <i>Director General</i></p>	007

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## 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:</p> <p>Cultural criteria: i – ii – (iii) – (iv) – v – (vi) Natural criteria: i – ii – iii – iv</p> <p>Were new criteria added by re-nominating and/or extending the property after the original inscription? YES / (NO)</p> <p>If YES, please explain: <i>N/A</i></p>	<p>008</p> <p>009</p> <p>010</p>
<p>Please quote observations concerning the property made by the Advisory Body(ies) during the evaluation of the nomination:</p> <p><i>ICOMOS does not appear to have made any specific observations concerning the property at the time of inscription.</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):</p> <p><i>The comments of the World Heritage Committee at the time of inscription, if any, are not recorded.</i></p> <p>Identify the actions taken as follow-up to these observations and/or decisions:</p> <p><i>As no observations were made, no follow-up action was taken until after the 1993 UNESCO/ICOMOS Review Mission.</i></p>	<p>011</p> <p>012</p> <p>013</p>
<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 also detail what the property represents, what makes it outstanding, what the specific values are that distinguish the property as well as what its relationship with its setting is, etc.:</p> <p><i>The cultural heritage of the Kathmandu Valley, of outstanding universal value, is represented by seven groups of monuments and buildings which taken together as a multiple resource display the full array of historic and artistic achievement for which the Kathmandu Valley is world famous. The seven include the three Darbar Squares of Kathmandu, Patan and Bhaktapur, the two Buddhist stupas of Swayambhu and Baudhdhanath and the two Hindu temple complexes of Pashupati and Changu Narayan. The seven monument zones are not only architecturally rich, but form the setting for a vibrant and living intangible culture of artistic and craft activity and ritual practices. The zones form the background for the traditional way of life of the people of the Valley.</i></p>	<p>014</p>
<p>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</p>	<p>015</p>

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<p><b>II.2. continued</b></p> <p>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? YES / (NO)</p> <p>If YES, please explain: <i>N/A</i></p>	016
<p>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: (YES) / NO</p> <p>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): <i>N/A</i></p>	017 018
<p>Is the State Party actively considering a revision of the property boundaries or the buffer zone? YES / (NO)</p> <p>If YES, indicate what is being done to that end: <i>N/A</i></p>	019 020

**II.3. Statement of authenticity / integrity**

<p>Have the World Heritage values identified above been maintained since the property's inscription? (YES) / NO</p>	021
<p>If NO, please describe the changes and name the causes: <i>N/A</i></p>	022
<p>What was the evaluation of the authenticity / integrity of the property at the time of inscription? (Please quote from the ICOMOS / IUCN evaluation):</p> <p><i>There is no record of the ICOMOS evaluation at the time of inscription.</i></p>	023
<p>Have there been changes in the authenticity / integrity since inscription? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If YES, please describe the changes to the authenticity / integrity and name the main causes?</p> <p><i>Within the Bhaktapur Darbar Square Monument Zone the principal religious and public monuments are now in a better condition than at any time since inscription. All the principal temples are in good repair or are under repair. However, as the World Heritage Committee is aware, the conservation of the traditional houses within the Monument Zone has proved to be problematical. Since inscription few houses have been illegally demolished and replaced with inappropriate buildings of reinforced concrete, resulting in the loss of examples of the historic architecture of the Valley, disruption to the scale and detail of the historic streets and, in some cases, damage to the setting of the principal monuments.</i></p> <p><i>The replacement of traditional houses resulted from the rapid growth of the population of Bhaktapur, combined with the increasing wealth of many within the Monument Zone and their expectations of a higher quality of life. The legal and regulatory structures were not designed to cope with such pressures and were consequently virtually overwhelmed by the pressure of development. However, since the 1992 ICOMOS mission and report, subsequent reports, international</i></p>	024 025

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<p><b>II.3. continued</b></p> <p><i>financial support and technical cooperation, amendments to the protective legislation and greatly enhanced regulation and monitoring, the situation has been radically improved. In the last couple of years, the illegal demolition of houses within the Bhaktapur Darbar Square Monument Zone has not taken place, applications to demolish houses of historic interest have been resisted and the design and quality of new buildings has greatly improved. There is clear evidence of a greater understanding on the part of the people of Bhaktapur of the value and importance of their cultural heritage which, combined with continuing commitment of the regulatory authorities, will ensure that the successes of recent years are maintained and continued, safeguarding the surviving authenticity of the Monument Zone. It is already evident that the owners of some of the illegal concrete houses are aware of the degree to which they detract from the beauty and authenticity of the Monument Zone. Some propose to carry out corrective measures, such as refacing with traditional materials. The DOA and the Municipality propose to encourage (and enforce) others to carry out similar action, rectifying past damage.</i></p>	
<p>Are there (further) changes foreseeable to the authenticity / integrity of the property in the near future? YES / (NO)</p>	026
<p>If YES, please explain and indicate how these changes might affect the World Heritage values of the property: <i>N/A</i></p>	027

**II.4. Management**

<p>How could the arrangements for the protection and the management of the property best be defined (more than one indication possible)?</p> <p>Legal ( * ) Contractual ( ) Traditional ( * )</p>	028
<p>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:</p> <p><i>The preservation of the built heritage of the Kingdom is governed by the Ancient Monuments Preservation Act 2013 (1956 AD) and amendments and the Ancient Monument Preservation Regulations (1989). The seven zones of the World Heritage Site have been declared to be Protected Monument Zones under the Act.</i></p> <p><i>The operation of development control within Bhaktapur Darbar Square Monument Zone has been modified by the Local Self Governance Act (1999), with the result that the Sub-Metropolitan City are now closely involved in the process in conjunction with the DOA. The exact arrangements are described in 033. As described in 025, the revised management arrangements are proving to be increasingly effective, due in no small part to effective monitoring and the involvement of the local community in the conservation effort. The DOA and the Municipality have also worked hard to encourage the Guthiyars (trustees) of many of the minor monuments to have a better appreciation of their buildings and the</i></p>	029

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	<p><b>II.4. continued</b></p> <p><i>value of traditional architecture and repair methods. As a result, management of the Monument Zone has been significantly enhanced.</i></p> <p>In general terms, can this legislative, contractual and/or traditional protection be considered sufficient? (YES) / NO</p> <p>Please explain:</p> <p><i>The legal arrangements for protection of the Monument Zone are now generally good. It is proposed to eliminate some overlaps in jurisdiction by means of a Sixth Amendment of the Ancient Monuments Preservation Act, although this is unlikely to have a significant impact upon the implementation of the Act.</i></p> <p><i>The operation of the Guthis has been enhanced by local empowerment and education in the value of the built heritage, enhancing their effectiveness as property owners.</i></p>	<p>030</p> <p>031</p>
	<p>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, amongst others). Please also attach any documentation available concerning these points:</p> <p><i>Nepalese laws and regulations concerning the preservation of the cultural heritage are listed below. Summaries are attached as appendices.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>1. Ancient Monument Preservation Act 1956, Fifth Amendment 1996</i></li> <li><i>2. Ancient Monument Preservation Regulations 1989</i></li> <li><i>3. Guthi Sansthan Act 1966</i></li> <li><i>4. Local Self Governance Act 1999</i></li> <li><i>5. Construction Guidelines prescribed for the Protected Monument Zones.</i></li> </ol>	<p>032</p>
	<p>Describe the administrative and management arrangements that are in place for the property concerned, making special mention of the institutions 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:</p> <p>Overall legal protection of the Bhaktapur Darbar Square Monument Zone is the responsibility of the Department of Archaeology's Heritage Conservation Unit under the direction of the Chief of the World Heritage Management Division. Local monitoring is provided by the Darbar Maintenance Office of the DOA, which has an office in the Taba sattal of Bhaktapur Palace Square.</p>	<p>033</p>

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<p><b>II.4. continued</b></p> <p><i>Planning applications for development within the Monument Zone are referred by the Building Permits Section of Bhaktapur Municipality City. Which checks that these conform to current protective by-laws before they are referred to the DOA. The DOA checks that the referred applications meet national norms for heritage protection and negotiates improvements or recommends refusal if appropriate. Approval or refusal is granted by the Municipality City in accordance with the DOA's recommendation.</i></p> <p><i>A number of monuments are maintained and conserved by their traditional Guthiyars (trustees), under the technical direction and advice of the DOA.</i></p>	
<p>Please indicate under which level of authority the property is managed:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Local ( * ) Regional ( ) National ( * )</p> <p>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> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>The Director General</i> <i>Department of Archaeology</i> <i>Ramshahpath, Kathmandu</i> <i>Phone: +977-1-250683</i> <i>Fax: +977-1-262856</i> <i>E-mail: <a href="mailto:archaeology@infoclub.com.np">archaeology@infoclub.com.np</a></i> <i>Website: <a href="http://www.doa.gov.np">www.doa.gov.np</a></i></li> <li>2. <i>The Head of the Heritage Unit</i> <i>Bhaktapur Municipality</i> <i>Bhaktapur</i> <i>Phone: +977-1-614030</i> <i>Fax: +977-1-</i></li> </ol>	<p>034</p> <p>035</p>
<p>Is it necessary to revise the administrative and management arrangements for the property? (YES)/ NO</p> <p>If YES, explain why this is the case:</p> <p><i>Subject to further analysis, some revision to visitor management, including increasing the effectiveness of the Tourist Entry Charge, would be desirable. The revenue generated by the Entry Charge has great potential for enhancing the conservation and management of the Monument Zone, as well as providing tangible evidence of the value of heritage conservation to the economy of the city due to the revenue which should accrue.</i></p>	<p>036</p> <p>037</p>

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	<p>Is there a management plan for the property? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If YES, please summarize, indicating if the plan is being implemented and since when:</p> <p><i>The Bhaktapur Heritage Conservation Masterplan was prepared by Municipality with the support of DOA in 2002. It makes recommendations for the improved management of the built heritage and open spaces within the whole of the historic city and recommends the establishment of whole fortified city of Bhaktapur six conservation areas. These are in the process of being designated as Protected Areas by Bhaktapur Municipality under the provisions of the Local Self Governance Act 1999 or Ancient Monument Preservation Act 1956. It is intended that by these means the benefits of the protective measures in force within the Monument Zone can be extended to the wider historic city.</i></p>	038 039
	<p>Please report on legal and administrative actions that are foreseen for the future, 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>Amendments to the protective legislation are proposed in order to resolve overlaps in institutions and jurisdiction to enhance future management of the Monument Zones. This proposal is currently under discussion by the concerned authorities.</i></p>	040
	<p>Please provide detailed information, particularly in cases where changes have occurred since the inscription of the property, on the following matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Conservation</u> Make reference to all major interventions at the property and describe its present state of conservation: <p><i>Twelve individual monuments are listed in the original nomination dossier and the 1998 ICOMOS State of Conservation Report lists a further nineteen. These Twelve monuments represent only the most significant and do not include minor monuments and the private buildings which have been identified as worthy of preservation and which will be graded and Gazetted. Of the twelve, virtually all are in good repair. Since 1998, the repair of the Krishna temple, Tab Sattal, Stone temple of Umamaheshwor, Yakshswor temple and Bhaudar Pokhari complex has been completed. The conservation work of the Fiftyfive Windows Palace, is going to start by 2003.</i></p> <p><i>Bhaktapur is one of the best example of heritage conservation among the monument zones of Kathmandu Valley World Heritage Site. Therefore, the Bhaktapur Municipality was awarded by the UNESCO Bangkok office for its outstanding managements of the World Heritage Site.</i></p> <p><i>Of the minor monuments, Various works of repair have been carried out to private houses at the expense of their owners.</i></p> </li> </ul>	041
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Ownership</u> Make reference to all major changes in ownership of the property and describe the present state of ownership:</li> </ul> <p><i>Own Ownership of the major monuments remains with the DOA and the traditional guthis. The minor monuments, including the houses, are largely privately owned. Most remain with their traditional lineages, but inevitably there have been some changes of ownership</i></p>	042

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	<p>Please, give a detailed description of the staffing of the site:</p> <p><i>The DOA World Heritage Management Section has five members of staff and the Heritage Conservation Unit has a further eighteen posts, which includes four professional staff and twelve technical staff. The Darbar Maintenance Office of the DOA in Patan Palace has a staff of twelve, not including the staff responsible for the Patan Museum.</i></p> <p><i>The Heritage Unit of Bhaktapur Municipality City has a staff of two professional and four technical posts, not including the staff of the Building Permits Section.</i></p>	043
	<p>Is the staffing level sufficient for adequate management of the property? (YES) / NO</p>	044
	<p>If NO, what should be done to improve the situation? N/A</p>	045
	<p>Does the staff need additional training? (YES) / NO</p>	046
	<p>If YES, what are the training needs for your staff?</p> <p><i>The staff of both the DOA and the Building Permits Section of the Municipality City require training in monitoring and achieving compliance with the protective legislation.</i></p> <p><i>Training for DOA and Municipality staff is required in the documentation and recording of the historic environment. Training in conservation and archaeological techniques to up-to-date international standards is also required.</i></p>	047
	<p>Describe the funding and financial situation of the property, indication sources, level and regularity of financing:</p> <p><i>The DOA has an annual budget for conservation, this year of Rs 7,400,000 (US\$95,000) for the whole of the WHS. Within the Bhaktapur Darbar Square Monument Zone the Municipality has funded environmental improvements and monuments conservation.</i></p> <p><i>The tourist entrance fee produces an income for conservation and environmental projects and has scope for future development and reform.</i></p>	048
	<p>Is the available funding sufficient for adequate management of the property? YES / (NO)</p>	049
	<p>If NOT, describe the financial resources that would be required for the management of the property:</p> <p><i>The funds available from all sources are largely sufficient for the conservation of the major monuments. A mechanism needs to be developed to provide financial support for the conservation and careful modernisation of the private houses of the Monument Zone, which form the bulk of the historic buildings and must be preserved if the integrity and authenticity of the Zone is to be retained.</i></p>	050

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	<p><b>II.4. continued</b></p> <p><i>The DOA World Heritage Management Section has one computer. Municipality has Few.</i></p> <p>Does an operational access to the Internet exist? (YES) / NO</p> <p>In both the DOA and Bhaktapur Municipality.</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><i>There is no GIS as such, but the Monument Zone has been digitally mapped.</i></p> <p>If YES, what software do you have and how is the GIS used? <i>N/A</i></p>	061  062
	<p>List scientific studies and research programmes that have been conducted concerning the site:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>1. A hand measured survey of the Fifty five windows palace .</i></li> <li><i>2. A digital and photogrammetric survey of the within the protected monument zone.</i></li> <li><i>3. Digital mapping of Bhaktapur Darbar Square Monument Zone.</i></li> <li><i>4. An inventory of all public and private monuments in the Monument Zone, prepared by DOA.</i></li> <li><i>5. An inventory of all public and private monuments in the city, prepared by Municipality.</i></li> </ol>	063
	<p>Describe financial and human resource inputs for the research programmes and or facilities:</p> <p><i>The research projects have been funded by HMG Nepal, UNESCO, bilateral assistance and national and international donors.</i></p> <p>Describe how the information / results are disseminated?</p> <p><i>The information is disseminated by publication and through workshops, seminars, public lectures and exhibitions.</i></p>	064  065
	<p>Are there any visitor statistics for the site? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If YES, please summarise the statistics and attach to this report:</p> <p><i>The Bhaktapur Municipality estimates that, in a normal year, approximately 100,000 visit the Monument Zone.</i></p>	066  067
	<p>What visitor facilities do you have at the property?</p>	068

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<p><b>II.4. continued</b></p> <p><i>The National Art Museum and National Wooden Art Museums are the principal facility provided for visitors. Transport is available to and from most parts of the Kathmandu Valley. As Bhaktapur is a vibrant urban area many privately owned shops, cafés, restaurants and guest houses which cater for visitors are found within the Monument Zone.</i></p>	
<p>What visitor facilities are you in need of?</p>	069
<p>Is a public use plan (tourism / visitor management plan) in existence for the property? (YES) / NO</p>	070
<p>If YES, please summarize, if NO explain if one is needed:</p> <p><i>The Bhaktapur Heritage Conservation Masterplan covers tourism issues and a related tourism strategy.</i></p>	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>A range of information leaflets, illustrated in colour, have been produced by the DOA, Bhaktapur Municipality and other bodies. These are published in English, Nepali and Newari and are distributed through the DOA Municipality and elsewhere.</i></p> <p><i>A carved stone plaque provides information on the Monument Zone and its principal monuments in English. Stone markers, indicating the boundaries of the Monument Zone, have been erected.</i></p> <p><i>Several events and exhibitions have been held, in the place complex.</i></p>	072
<p>Are there educational programmes concerning the property aimed at schools? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If yes, please describe:</p> <p><i>A schools awareness programme, explaining the significance of the WHS, is being organised by the DOA and Municipality.</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>World Heritage status is widely publicised both nationally and internationally and is crucial for the recognition of the outstanding cultural value of the Kathmandu Valley. The publicity given to the WHS undoubtedly attracts a high proportion of the visitors to the Kingdom as a whole.</i></p>	075

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## 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, environmental pressure, natural disasters and preparedness, visitor / tourism pressure, number of inhabitants. Also mention all other issues that you see as problematic.</p> <p><i>As explained above, the Monument Zone is subject to significant pressure due to population growth and rapid economic development and consequential social change. As the Valley has become increasingly heavily populated the open farmland which surrounded the historic city at the time of inscription of the Monument Zone has been built over and the environment has been increasingly polluted.</i></p> <p><i>The whole Valley is an area of high earthquake risk and Patan received damage at modified Mercalli Scale IX in 1934. Some earthquake strengthening using traditional methods has already been undertaken to counter future risk.</i></p> <p><i>The Monument Zone has the capacity to accommodate significantly higher visitor numbers than at present.</i></p>	076
	<p>Is there an emergency plan and / or risk preparedness plan for the property in existence? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If YES, please summarise the plan and provide a copy:</p> <p><i>The DOA, Municipality and Engineering Institute has devised a survey designed to assess risk to Fifty five window palace. The housing and planning Department of HMG/Nepal.</i></p> <p>If NO, describe what is being done – and by whom – to counteract the dangers that threaten or may threaten the property: <i>N/A</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>The recent successes of the DOA and the Municipality in resisting illegal development within the Monument Zone need to be maintained. Winning the hearts and minds of the citizens of Bhaktapur for the conservation of their city will be crucial for this work.</i></p>	080
	<p>Give an indication if the impact of the factors affecting the property is increasing or decreasing:</p> <p><i>As explained, due to the diligence of the regulatory authorities the detrimental factors affecting the property are decreasing.</i></p>	081
	<p>What actions have been effectively taken, or are planned for the future, to address the</p>	082

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<p><b>II.5. continued</b></p> <p>factors affecting the property?</p> <p><i>Increased training of staff responsible for monitoring the Monument Zone is planned.</i></p> <p><i>Regular monitoring of the Monument Zone is being undertaken.</i></p> <p><i>Support is being provided by HM Government for house owners through the provision of subsidised timber and traditional bricks. 10% of the total cost of traditional construction is borne by HMG.</i></p>	
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## II.6. Monitoring

<p>If applicable, give details (e.g. dates, results, indicators chosen) of any previous periodic or reactive monitoring exercises of the property:</p> <p><i>In 1993 a joint UNESCO/ICOMOS Review Mission defined Sixteen Points of Concern. From 1994 annual monitoring reports were submitted by HMG to the World Heritage Committee to demonstrate compliance with the Sixteen Points.</i></p> <p><i>In 1998 a UNESCO/ICOMOS/HMG Joint Mission made 55 recommendations and defined a time-bound action plan of corrective measures. Subsequent monitoring reports have demonstrated the success of the authorities in implementing the recommendations.</i></p>	083
<p>Is there a formal monitoring system established for the site? (YES) / NO</p>	084
<p>If YES, please give details of its organization:</p> <p><i>1. National High Level Monitoring Committee</i></p> <p><i>To monitor the implementation of the time-bound Action Plan recommended by the UNESCO/ICOMOS/HMG Nepal Joint Mission, a High Level Monitoring Committee has been established under the chairmanship of the Honourable Minister for Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation. The Secretary and Joint Secretary of the ministry, the mayors of Kathmandu Metropolitan City, Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City and Bhaktapur Municipality and the Chief District Officers of Kathmandu, Lalitpur and Bhaktapur are members. The Member Secretary of the Committee is the Director General of the DOA. The Committee meets every month to monitor and evaluate implementation of the Action Plan and has been effective in ensuring enhanced conservation of the WHS.</i></p> <p><i>2. World Heritage Management Division</i></p> <p><i>This is one of the seven divisions of the DOA and is dedicated to the management, monitoring and reporting of the state of preservation of the WHS.</i></p>	085

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	<p><b>II.6. continued</b></p> <p>3. <i>Heritage Conservation Unit</i> <i>The Unit is part of the DOA and advises on the conservation of the Monument Zone.</i></p> <p>4. <i>Darbar Maintenance Office</i> <i>This is located in Bhaktapur Palace and is part of the DOA. It carries out regular monitoring of the Monument Zone.</i></p> <p>5. <i>Bhaktapur Municipality</i> <i>The Building Permits Section and Heritage Conservation Unit of the City are involved with monitoring of the Monument Zone on a local level.</i></p>	
	<p>If not already in place, is the establishment of a formal monitoring system planned? YES / NO</p> <p><i>N/A</i></p> <p>If YES, please outline the functioning of that system, taking into consideration the key indicators you will be asked to define below (see 089 / 090):</p> <p><i>N/A</i></p>	<p>086</p> <p>087</p>
	<p>Are there any indicators established for monitoring the state of conservation of the property? YES / (NO)</p> <p>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: <i>N/A</i></p> <p>If NO indicators have been identified and / or used so far, please define key indicators for future use in monitoring: <i>A system of indicators is under consideration. Key indicators are likely to be:</i> <i>Refusal/granting of demolition permits</i> <i>Illegal development and enforcement action</i> <i>Repair grants given</i> <i>Repairs undertaken</i> <i>New buildings constructed in accordance with approved plans</i> <i>Numbers of buildings at risk</i> <i>Property value/added value</i> <i>Monitoring will be assisted by the listing of all monuments in the Monument Zone in three grades. It will be possible to use this list and the inventory descriptions as a base line, allowing change to be monitored and recorded.</i></p>	<p>088</p> <p>089</p> <p>090</p>

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<p>Indicate which partners, if any, are involved or will be involved in the regular monitoring exercise: <i>The DOA and the Municipality will be involved in regular monitoring.</i></p>	091
<p>Identify the administrative provisions for organizing the regular monitoring of the property: <i>The monitoring arrangements are described in 085.</i></p>	092
<p>Describe what improvement the State Party foresees or would consider desirable in improving the monitoring system: <i>Apart from establishing Key Indicators, better training, particularly of site staff, would be desirable. The Darbar Maintenance Office also requires a computer and E-mail in order to be fully effective.</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 the actions that have been taken in response to the observations or decisions made by the Bureau or Committee. Give details, if applicable:  <i>As described in 085, a National High Level Monitoring Committee has been established to ensure that the 55 recommendations of the 1988 Joint Mission are implemented. An expert committee has also been established to grade the monuments in accordance with the recommendations and the ICOMOS guidelines.</i></p>	094

**II.7. Conclusions and recommended actions**

<p>Please summarize the main conclusions regarding the state of the World Heritage values of the property (see items II.2. and II.3. above):  <i>Although the World Heritage Values of the Monument Zone are largely unchanged since the time of Inscription (021) and the major monuments are in a better state than at any time since inscription, the authenticity and integrity of the site has been maintained properly therefore, the UNESCO Bangkok office awarded the Bhaktapur Municipality for its outstanding management of the WH Site. The legal and regulatory provisions have now been overhauled, resulting in greatly enhanced management of the zone and preventing further more of its integrity. Conservation projects for a number of private historic houses within the Monument Zone should help to recover some of the losses of the 1990s.</i></p>	095
<p>Please summarize the main conclusions regarding the management and factors affecting the property (see items II.4. and II.5. above):  <i>The improved handling of planning applications, involving both the DOA and Municipality has made the system more effective and responsive.</i></p>	096

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<p><i>Now that the conservation of the major monuments is largely complete, attention has turned to the minor monuments and private houses. The mechanisms for directing financial support to private owners need to be made more effective in order to provide further incentives (050).</i></p>	
<p>Give an overview over proposed future action / actions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>1. The monuments in the Monument Zone will be graded and the list of Protected Monuments will be Gazetted.</i></li> <li><i>2. A system of key indicators will be established to allow better direction of monitoring efforts within the monument zone.</i></li> <li><i>3. Further support will be given to house owners to encourage the conservation of traditional buildings.</i></li> <li><i>4. Programmes directed at the education of local people and visitors as to the benefits of conservation will be extended.</i></li> </ol>	097
<p>Name the agency responsible for implementation of these actions (if different from 005):</p> <p><i>As 05 and as 035 (2).</i></p>	098
<p>Give a timeframe for the implementation of the actions described above:</p> <p><i>Action 1 will be carried out in line with the Time-Bound Action Plan of the 55 Recommendations of the 1998 Joint Mission. 2 will be developed during the next year. 3 and 4 will be ongoing.</i></p>	099
<p>Indicate for which of the planned activities International Assistance from the World Heritage Fund may be needed (if any):</p> <p><i>Further support for staff training would be desirable.</i></p>	100
<p>Are there any contacts with management units of other properties within or outside your country? (YES) / NO</p>	101
<p>If YES, please explain:</p> <p><i>The Bhaktapur Municipality has contacts with the authorities for the other Monument Zones of Kathmandu Valley.</i></p>	102
<p>Please indicate which experience made during the periodic reporting exercise and/or during the on-going conservation / protection efforts of the property could be shared with other States Parties dealing with similar problems or issues:</p> <p><i>The experience of managing historic sites in a rapidly changing urban environment would be of particular value to other State Parties, particularly in developing countries.</i></p>	103

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	Provide the name(s) and address(es) of organization(s) or specialist(s) who could be contacted for this purpose:  <i>As 035.</i>	104

**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>The Section II Report of Patan Monument Zone was prepared with the assistance of Giles Proctor, international expert and David Michelmore, international coordinator of the Asia Urbs Project which is taken as a model in preparing this report. The staff of the DOA and the concerning site manager gave freely of their time.</i>	105
	Was the questionnaire clear and did it help to comply with the reporting requirements of the State Party?  <i>More detailed instructions for the completion of the report would be helpful. Some abbreviation and elimination of duplication would also be beneficial.</i>	106
	What are the perceived benefits and lessons learnt of the exercise?  <i>The reporting exercise has helped to identify the strengths and weakness of the management of the Monument Zone. In particular, it has helped to remind those responsible of the many successes of the last few years and it has inspired confidence in the future. It is all too easy to be pessimistic, but an exercise such as this demonstrates that there is much about which to be optimistic.</i>	107
	Please describe the expected outcome of the Periodic Reporting exercise and the desired follow-up by the World Heritage Committee:  <i>The state party are confident that the report will demonstrate the great advances which have been made in the management and conservation of the Bhaktapur Darbar Square Monument Zone and that this will help, in concert with the reports on the other Monument Zones which make up the Kathmandu World Heritage Site, to convince the World Heritage Committee that the Site is not in danger. Continued support will be necessary to maintain the advances of the last few years, in particular in training the staff of the statutory authorities and to assist with the conservation of individual monuments and buildings. However, the report demonstrates that we can look to the future with confidence.</i>	108

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## 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 boundary and buffer zone as well as the 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 species, 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

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## ANNEX- 1

### Map Showing the Boundary of

### Bhadgaon Protected Monument Zone

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## ANNEX- 2

Ancient Monument Preservation Act 2013 (1956 A.D)

Ancient Monument Preservation Rules – 2046 (1989 A.D)

(See Annex - 2 of Kathmandu (Hanumandhoka) Protected Monument Zone's Report)

## ANNEX -3

### Organization Chart of DOA

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## ANNEX- 4

### Photographs

(Showing the Present Condition of the Monuments)

Bhadgaon

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ANNEX-5  
Leaflets  
Bhadgaon

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## ANNEX-6

# Audiovisual Compact Discs

An Introduction

Bhaktapur The Cultural Capital of Nepal.

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## ANNEX-7

# Aerial Photograph

(Showing Protected Monument Zones of Kathmandu Valley W.H.Sites)

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ANNEX-8

# Topographic Map of Kathmandu Valley

(Showing zones of Kathmandu Valley W.H.site)

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ANNEX-9

# Annual Progress Report of Conservation

UPDATED PROGRESS REPORT -2002

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## ANNEX- 10

# Site Management Plans

Documentation and Enhance Management of Bhaktapur Protected  
Monument Zone Volume - I

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## ANNEX- 11

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**PERIODIC REPORTING EXERCISE  
ON THE APPLICATION OF THE WORLD HERITAGE  
CONVENTION**

**SECTION II**

**State of Conservation of specific World Heritage properties**

**State Party: NEPAL**

**Property Name: KATHMANDU VALLEY**

**CHANGUNARAYAN MONUMENT ZONE**

## PERIODIC REPORTING FOR WELL PLANNED HERITAGE PRESERVATION

### Background

The twenty-ninth General Conference of UNESCO, held in 1997, decided to activate Article 29 of the World Heritage Convention concerning the submission of periodic reports on the state of implementation of the World Heritage Convention (Section I) and the State of Conservation of World Heritage properties (Section II). The national authorities are invited to report on Section I, while Section II shall be prepared for each property inscribed on the World Heritage list by the person(s) directly in charge of the property's management.

The periodic reports prepared by the States Parties will serve a three-fold purpose:

- ❖ to assess the current state of all World Heritage related issues in a State Party,
- ❖ to help focus the Committee's as well as the State Party's future activities and funds,
- ❖ to strengthen sub-regional and regional co-operation between States Parties.

### The Periodic Reporting Questionnaire

In 1998, at its twenty-second session, the World Heritage Committee approved *Explanatory Notes*, designed to be read in conjunction with the *Periodic Reporting Format*, in order to outline the information expected to flow from the periodic reporting exercise. To facilitate the preparation of the report, a *Questionnaire* was developed that the States Parties are encouraged to use. It closely follows the subjects referred to in the *Explanatory Notes*, but in contrast to the latter splits the subjects up into short questions to be answered in a few sentences or paragraphs. A second type of question requires the indication of YES or NO by circling or underlining the appropriate answer. All questions are clearly identified with a little number in the right hand column of the *Questionnaire*. To make the reporting results meaningful every one of these questions has to be answered. If no answer is possible, the reasons should be given. If the available space is not sufficient for the answer, the response should be continued on a separate sheet of paper, clearly indicating the number of the question the text refers to (e.g. 006).

### Benefits for the States Parties

The *Questionnaire* was developed in such a way as to allow to extract and compile or compare relevant information from different States Parties or properties, facilitating the process of preparing the regional synthesis report to be presented to the World Heritage Committee. The YES / NO questions make it possible to evaluate the reports quantitatively, but only the details that should be supplied in the related 'open question' make the answers meaningful and can be the basis for concerted actions to preserve a State Party's most valuable heritage for its transmission to future generations.

The information collected in this way will help the States Parties to assess their own strengths and weaknesses concerning the implementation of the World Heritage Convention, putting them in a position to (re)define policies and to request assistance in order to finance projects and / or training. On the other hand it allows the World Heritage Committee to collect information needed to devise *Regional Action Plans*, give well-informed advice to States Parties and to focus funds as well as attention on the region(s), States Parties and / or properties that need the collective support of the international community.

The preparation process of the regional periodic report will furthermore enhance regional co-operation through information meetings as well as through the better availability of regularly up-dated information on activities as well as contact addresses etc. The identification of the State Party's strengths makes it possible to exchange experiences and look for solutions to problems (e.g. of site conservation) within the region.

### **Conclusion**

Periodic Reporting is a participatory exercise, aiming to collect information on World Heritage related issues on a national as well as on the property level. The individual State Party reports will be collated into a regional synthesis report to be presented to the World Heritage Committee. This information will enhance cooperation between the Committee and the States Parties and allow to focus funds and activities more efficiently, allowing the States Parties to protect their most valuable heritage more effectively for transmission to future generations.

**PERIODIC REPORTING ON THE APPLICATION OF THE  
WORLD HERITAGE CONVENTION  
(FORMAT)**

**SECTION II: STATE OF CONSERVATION OF SPECIFIC WORLD HERITAGE PROPERTIES**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**II.1 Introduction**

- a. State Party
- b. Name of World Heritage property
- c. Geographical coordinates to the nearest second
- d. Date of inscription on the World Heritage List
- e. Organization(s) or entity(ies) responsible for the preparation of the report
- f. Date of report
- g. Signature on behalf of State Party

**II.2. Statement of significance**

**II.3. Statement of authenticity/integrity**

**II.4. Management**

**II.5. Factors affecting the property**

**II.6. Monitoring**

**II.7. Conclusions and recommended action**

- a. Main conclusions regarding the state of the World Heritage values of the property (see items II.2. and II.3. above)
- b. Main conclusions regarding the management and factors affecting the property (see Items II.4 and II.5. above)
- c. Proposed future action/actions
- d. Responsible implementing agency/agencies
- e. Timeframe for implementation
- f. Needs for international assistance.

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

**II.9. Documentation attached**



## II.1. Introduction

a.	Country (and State Party if different): <i>Nepal</i>	001
b.	Name of World Heritage property: <i>Kathmandu Valley WHS</i> <i>Changunarayan Monument Zone</i>	002
c.	<p>In order to locate the property precisely, please attach a topographic map showing scale, orientation, projection, datum, site name, date 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 geographic information in digital form so that it can be integrated into a Geographic 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>Centre point:</p> <p>North-west corner: 27 41' 58.12"N</p> <p>South-east corner: 85 25' 48.65"E</p>	003
d.	<p>Give the date of inscription on the World Heritage List and subsequent extension (if applicable):</p> <p><i>1979</i></p>	004
e.	<p>Organization(s) or entity(ies) responsible for the preparation of this report.</p> <p>Organization(s) / entity(ies):</p> <p>Person(s) responsible: <i>Director General, Department of Archaeology</i></p> <p>Address: <i>Ramshah Path, Kathmandu, Nepal</i></p> <p>City and post code: <i>KATHMANDU</i></p> <p>Telephone: <i>977-1-250683, 250686, 250687</i></p> <p>Fax: <i>977-1-262856</i></p> <p>E-mail: <i>archaeology@infoclub.com.np</i></p>	005
f.	Date of preparation of the report: <i>November 2002</i>	006
g.	<p>Signature on behalf of the State Party</p> <p>Signature: .....</p> <p>Name: <i>Miss S N Kansakar</i></p> <p>Function: <i>Director General</i></p>	007

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## 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:</p> <p>Cultural criteria: i – ii – (iii) – (iv) – v – (vi) Natural criteria: i – ii – iii – iv</p> <p>Were new criteria added by re-nominating and/or extending the property after the original inscription? YES / (NO)</p> <p>If YES, please explain: <i>N/A</i></p>	<p>008</p> <p>009</p> <p>010</p>
<p>Please quote observations concerning the property made by the Advisory Body(ies) during the evaluation of the nomination:</p> <p><i>ICOMOS does not appear to have made any specific observations concerning the property at the time of inscription.</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):</p> <p><i>The comments of the World Heritage Committee at the time of inscription, if any, are not recorded.</i></p> <p>Identify the actions taken as follow-up to these observations and/or decisions:</p> <p><i>As no observations were made, no follow-up action was taken until after the 1993 UNESCO/ICOMOS Review Mission.</i></p>	<p>011</p> <p>012</p> <p>013</p>
<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 also detail what the property represents, what makes it outstanding, what the specific values are that distinguish the property as well as what its relationship with its setting is, etc.:</p> <p><i>The cultural heritage of the Kathmandu Valley, of outstanding universal value, is represented by seven groups of monuments and buildings which taken together as a multiple resource display the full array of historic and artistic achievement for which the Kathmandu Valley is world famous. The seven include the three Darbar Squares of Kathmandu, Patan and Bhaktapur, the two Buddhist stupas of Swayambhu and Baudhdhanath and the two Hindu temple complexes of Pashupati and Changu Narayan. The seven monument zones are not only architecturally rich, but form the setting for a vibrant and living intangible culture of artistic and craft activity and ritual practices. The zones form the background for the traditional way of life of the people of the Valley.</i></p>	<p>014</p>

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<b>II.2. continued</b>		
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? <b>YES / (NO)</b>		015
If YES, please explain: <i>N/A</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: <b>(YES) / NO</b>		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): <i>N/A</i>		018
Is the State Party actively considering a revision of the property boundaries or the buffer zone? <b>YES / (NO)</b>		019
If YES, indicate what is being done to that end: <i>N/A</i>		020

**II.3. Statement of authenticity / integrity**

Have the World Heritage values identified above been maintained since the property's inscription? <b>(YES) / NO</b>		021
If NO, please describe the changes and name the causes: <i>N/A</i>		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>There is no record of the ICOMOS evaluation at the time of inscription.</i>		023
Have there been changes in the authenticity / integrity since inscription? <b>(YES) / NO</b>		024
If YES, please describe the changes to the authenticity / integrity and name the main		025

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<p>causes?</p> <p><b>II.3. continued</b></p> <p><i>Within the Changu Narayan Monument Zone the principal religious and public monuments are now in a better condition than at any time since inscription. All the principal temples are in good repair or are under repair. A number of major and minor monuments of this monument zone have been repaired since its inscription as a World Heritage Site. The minor religious buildings are mainly in good repair, although some further work will be necessary. However, as the World Heritage Committee is aware, the conservation of the privately owned traditional houses the situation within the Monument Zone is not so problematic. Since inscription all most all the privately owned traditional houses including the streets are in their original form and scale and there is no any example of the losses of historic architectural details of the monument zone.</i></p> <p><i>Since the 1992 ICOMOS mission and report, subsequent reports, international financial support and technical cooperation, amendments to the protective legislation and greatly enhanced regulation and monitoring, the situation has been radically improved. Since in scription the illegal demolition of houses within the Changu Narayan Monument Zone has not taken place, applications to demolish houses of historic interest have been resisted and the design and quality of new buildings has greatly improved. There is clear evidence of a greater understanding on the part of the people of Kathmandu of the value and importance of their cultural heritage which, combined with continuing commitment of the regulatory authorities, will ensure that the successes of recent years are maintained and continued, safeguarding the surviving authenticity of the Monument Zone. It is already evident that the owners of some of the illegal concrete houses are aware of the degree to which they detract from the beauty and authenticity of the Monument Zone. Some propose to carry out corrective measures, such as refacing with traditional materials. The DOA and the Village Development Committee propose to encourage (and enforce) others to carry out similar action, rectifying past damage.</i></p>	
<p>Are there (further) changes foreseeable to the authenticity / integrity of the property in the near future? YES / (NO)</p>	026
<p>If YES, please explain and indicate how these changes might affect the World Heritage values of the property: N/A</p>	027

**II.4. Management**

<p>How could the arrangements for the protection and the management of the property best be defined (more than one indication possible)?</p> <p>Legal ( * )</p> <p>Contractual ( )</p> <p>Traditional ( * )</p>	028
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*II.4. continued*

	<p>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:</p> <p><i>The preservation of the built heritage of the Kingdom is governed by the Ancient Monuments Preservation Act 2013 (1956 AD) and amendments and the Ancient Monument Preservation Regulations (1989). The seven zones of the World Heritage Site have been declared to be Protected Monument Zones under the Act.</i></p> <p><i>The operation of development control within Changu Narayan Monument Zone are described in 033. As described in 025, the revised management arrangements are proving to be increasingly effective, due in no small part to effective monitoring and the involvement of the local community in the conservation effort. The DOA and the Village Development Committee have also worked hard to encourage the people to have a better appreciation of their buildings and the value of traditional architecture and repair methods. As a result, management of the Monument Zone has been significantly enhanced.</i></p> <p>In general terms, can this legislative, contractual and/or traditional protection be considered sufficient? (YES) / NO</p> <p>Please explain:</p> <p><i>The legal arrangements for protection of the Monument Zone are now generally good. It is proposed to eliminate some overlaps in jurisdiction by means of a Sixth Amendment of the Ancient Monuments Preservation Act, although this is unlikely to have a significant impact upon the implementation of the Act.</i></p> <p><i>The operation of the local traditional Guthis has been enhanced by local empowerment and education in the value of the built heritage, enhancing their effectiveness as property owners.</i></p>	<p>029</p> <p>030</p> <p>031</p>
	<p>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, amongst others). Please also attach any documentation available concerning these points:</p> <p><i>Nepalese laws and regulations concerning the preservation of the cultural heritage are listed below. Summaries are attached as appendices.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>1. Ancient Monument Preservation Act 1956, Fifth Amendment 1996</i></li> <li><i>2. Ancient Monument Preservation Regulations 1989</i></li> </ol>	<p>032</p>

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	<p>3. <i>Guthi Sansthan Act 1966</i></p> <p>4. <i>Local Self Governance Act 1999</i></p> <p>5. <i>Construction Guidelines prescribed for the Protected Monument Zones.</i></p>	
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**II.4. continued**

	<p>Describe the administrative and management arrangements that are in place for the property concerned, making special mention of the institutions 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:</p> <p><i>Overall legal protection of the Changu Narayan Monument Zone is the responsibility of the Department of Archaeology's Heritage Conservation Unit under the direction of the Chief of the World Heritage Management Division</i></p> <p><i>Planning applications for development within the Monument Zone are referred by the Village Development Committee to the DOA.. The DOA checks that the referred applications meet national norms for heritage protection and negotiates improvements or recommends refusal if appropriate. Approval or refusal is granted by DOA. Village Development Committee is not authorised to approve any planning application.</i></p> <p><i>A number of monuments are maintained and conserved by their traditional Guthiyars (trustees), under the technical direction and advice of the DOA.</i></p>	033
	<p>Please indicate under which level of authority the property is managed:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Local ( * ) Regional ( ) National ( * ) Other (please describe):</p>	034
	<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>1. The Director General Department of Archaeology Ramshahpath, Kathmandu Phone: +977-1-250683 Fax: +977-1-262856 E-mail: <a href="mailto:archaeology@infoclub.com.np">archaeology@infoclub.com.np</a> Website: <a href="http://www.doa.gov.np">www.doa.gov.np</a></i></p>	035

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<p><i>The Chairman, Changy Narayan Village Development Committee Phone: 977-1-614788</i></p> <p><b>II.4. continued</b></p>	
<p>Is it necessary to revise the administrative and management arrangements for the property? (YES)/ NO</p> <p>If YES, explain why this is the case:</p> <p><i>Subject to further analysis, some revision to visitor management, including increasing the effectiveness of the Tourist Entry Charge, would be desirable. The revenue generated by the Entry Charge has great potential for enhancing the conservation and management of the Monument Zone, as well as providing tangible evidence of the value of heritage conservation to the economy of the village due to the revenue which should accrue.</i></p>	<p>036</p> <p>037</p>
<p>Is there a management plan for the property? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If YES, please summarize, indicating if the plan is being implemented and since when:</p> <p><i>The Heritage conservation and Management Master Plan for the Changu Narayan monument zone has already been prepared. It covers the issues related to improved management of build heritage and conservation of historical environment of this monument.</i></p>	<p>038</p> <p>039</p>
<p>Please report on legal and administrative actions that are foreseen for the future, 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>Amendments to the protective legislation are proposed in order to resolve overlaps in institutions and jurisdiction to enhance future management of the Monument Zones. This proposal is currently under discussion by the concerned authorities.</i></p>	<p>040</p>
<p>Please provide detailed information, particularly in cases where changes have occurred since the inscription of the property, on the following matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Conservation</u> Make reference to all major interventions at the property and describe its present state of conservation:</li> </ul> <p><i>Fourteen individual monuments are listed in the original nomination dossier. Fourteen monuments represent only the most significant and do not include minor monuments and the private buildings which have been identified as worthy of preservation and which will be graded and Gazetted. Of the fourteen virtually all are in good repair. Since 1998, the repair of the Changu Narayan Temple, Kileshwor Mahadev Temple and several patis (Rest house) has been completed.</i></p>	<p>041</p>

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	<p><i>Development Committee has funded environmental improvements and monument conservation.</i></p> <p><i>The tourist entrance fee produces an income for conservation and environmental projects and has scope for future development and reform.</i></p> <p>Is the available funding sufficient for adequate management of the property? YES / (NO)</p> <p>If NOT, describe the financial resources that would be required for the management of the property:</p> <p><b>II.4. continued</b></p> <p><i>The funds available from all sources are largely sufficient for the conservation of the major monuments. A mechanism needs to be developed to provide financial support for the conservation and careful modernisation of the private houses of the Monument Zone, which form the bulk of the historic buildings and must be preserved if the integrity and authenticity of the Zone is to be retained.</i></p>	<p>049</p> <p>050</p>
	<p>Indicate International Assistance from which the property has benefited:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Heritage Fund:</li> </ul>	<p>051</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UNESCO International Campaign:</li> </ul> <p><i>The UNESCO International Campaign encompasses many of the conservation projects carried out between 1979 and 2001. It was an international awareness raising operation and it is not possible to identify the precise amount directly attributable to the Campaign as a whole, nor those for projects solely within the Changu Narayan Monument Zone. The Evaluation of the Campaign (UNESCO 2001) lists the projects carried out during the Campaign in appendix 2.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National and/or regional projects of UNDP, the World Bank or other agencies:</li> </ul> <p><i>No projects have been directly funded through UNDP.</i></p> <p><i>UNESCO/ supported for the preparation of the detail inventory and documentation of the monuments of this monument zone.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bilateral co-operation:</li> <li>• Other assistance:</li> </ul> <p><i>Other assistance, as described in 048, has been received from national and international donors. The exact amounts involved have not been calculated.</i></p>	<p>052</p> <p>053</p> <p>054</p> <p>055</p>

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	<p>Describe the IT (computer) equipment of the site and/or management office and assess its effectiveness:</p> <p><i>The World Heritage Management Section of the DOA has one computer.</i></p> <p>Are you using (multiple indications are possible):</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">PC ( * )</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Apple ( )</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Mainframe ( )</p> <p><b>II.4. continued</b></p> <p>Please, give the number of available computers:</p> <p><i>The DOA World Heritage Management Section has one computer.</i></p> <p>Does an operational access to the Internet exist? <span style="float: right;">(YES) / NO</span></p> <p><i>In the DOA.</i></p>	<p>056</p> <p>057</p> <p>058</p> <p>059</p>
	<p>Is e-mail used for daily correspondence? <span style="float: right;">(YES) / NO</span></p> <hr/> <p>Is there a Geographical Information System (GIS) for the site? <span style="float: right;">YES / (NO)</span></p> <p><i>There is no GIS as such.</i></p> <p>If YES, what software do you have and how is the GIS used?</p>	<p>060</p> <p>061</p> <p>062</p>
	<p>List scientific studies and research programmes that have been conducted concerning the site:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>An inventory of all public and private monuments in the Monument Zone.</i></li> <li>2. <i>A detail study and inventory of Changu Narayan monument zone, prepared by DOA with the support of UNESCO.</i></li> <li>3. <i>Changu Narayan a detail historical and cultural study of the main temple made by Mr. M.P Khanal is published by CNAS, Tribhuvan University.</i></li> </ol>	<p>063</p>
	<p>Describe financial and human resource inputs for the research programmes and or facilities:</p> <p><i>The research projects have been funded by HMG Nepal, UNESCO, bilateral assistance and national and international donors.</i></p> <p>Describe how the information / results are disseminated?</p>	<p>064</p> <p>065</p>

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<p><i>The information is disseminated by publication and through workshops, seminars, public lectures and exhibitions.</i></p>	
<p>Are there any visitor statistics for the site? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If YES, please summarise the statistics and attach to this report:</p>	<p>066</p> <p>067</p>
<p>What visitor facilities do you have at the property?</p> <p><i>Public Transport is available to and From Bhaktapur and Kathmandu many privately owned shops, cafés, restaurants and one guest house which cater for visitors are found within the Monument Zone. Larger hotels are within easy reach.</i></p> <p><b>II.4. continued</b></p>	<p>068</p>
<p>What visitor facilities are you in need of?</p>	<p>069</p>
<p>Is a public use plan (tourism / visitor management plan) in existence for the property? (YES) / NO</p>	<p>070</p>
<p>If YES, please summarize, if NO explain if one is needed:</p> <p><i>The Changu Narayan Area conservation master plan covers tourism issues and related tourism strategy.</i></p>	<p>071</p>
<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>The DOA and the Village Development Committee will provide information on the WHS, to visitors. A range of information leaflets, illustrated in colour, have been produced by the DOA, Village Development Committee and other bodies. These are published in English and Nepali and are distributed through the DOA, Village Development Committee &amp; Tourist Information Center.</i></p> <p><i>A carved bronze plaque provides information on the Monument Zone and its principal monuments in English and Nepali. Stone markers, indicating the boundaries of the Monument Zone, have been erected.</i></p>	<p>072</p>
<p>Are there educational programmes concerning the property aimed at schools? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If yes, please describe:</p> <p><i>A schools awareness programme, explaining the significance of the WHS, is being organised Nepal National Commission for UNESCO.</i></p>	<p>073</p> <p>074</p>
<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>075</p>

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	<p><i>World Heritage status is widely publicised both nationally and internationally and is crucial for the recognition of the outstanding cultural value of the Kathmandu Valley. The publicity given to the WHS undoubtedly attracts a high proportion of the visitors to the Kingdom as a whole.</i></p>	
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### 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, environmental pressure, natural disasters and preparedness, visitor / tourism pressure, number of inhabitants. Also mention all other issues that you see as problematic.</p> <p><i>In recent year, the Monument Zone is subject to pressure due to population growth and rapid economic development and consequential social change.</i></p> <p><i>The whole Valley is an area of high earthquake risk and this monument zone received damage at modified Mercalli Scale IX in 1934. Some earthquake strengthening using traditional methods has already been undertaken to counter future risk.</i></p> <p><i>The Monument Zone has the capacity to accommodate significantly higher visitor numbers than at present.</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 summarise 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: <i>N/A</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>The recent successes of DOA in resisting illegal development within the monument zone need to be maintained.</i></p>	080
	<p>Give an indication if the impact of the factors affecting the property is increasing or decreasing:</p>	081

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<p><i>As explained, due to the diligence of the regulatory authorities the detrimental factors affecting the property are decreasing.</i></p>	
<p>What actions have been effectively taken, or are planned for the future, to address the factors affecting the property?</p> <p><i>Increased training of staff responsible for monitoring the Monument Zone is planned.</i></p> <p><i>Regular monitoring of the Monument Zone is being undertaken.</i></p> <p><i>Support is being provided by HM Government for house owners through the provision of subsidised timber and traditional bricks. 10% of the total cost of traditional construction is borne by HMG.</i></p>	082

## II.6. Monitoring

<p>If applicable, give details (e.g. dates, results, indicators chosen) of any previous periodic or reactive monitoring exercises of the property:</p> <p><i>In 1993 a joint UNESCO/ICOMOS Review Mission defined Sixteen Points of Concern. From 1994 annual monitoring reports were submitted by HMG to the World Heritage Committee to demonstrate compliance with the Sixteen Points.</i></p> <p><i>In 1998 a UNESCO/ICOMOS/HMG Joint Mission made 55 recommendations and defined a time-bound action plan of corrective measures. Subsequent monitoring reports have demonstrated the success of the authorities in implementing the recommendations.</i></p>	083
<p>Is there a formal monitoring system established for the site? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If YES, please give details of its organization:</p> <p><b>1. National High Level Monitoring Committee</b></p> <p><i>To monitor the implementation of the time-bound Action Plan recommended by the UNESCO/ICOMOS/HMG Nepal Joint Mission, a High Level Monitoring Committee has been established under the chairmanship of the Honourable Minister for Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation. The Secretary and Joint Secretary of the ministry, the mayors of Kathmandu Metropolitan City, Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City and Bhaktapur Municipality and the Chief District Officers of Kathmandu, Lalitpur and Bhaktapur are members. The Member Secretary of the Committee is the Director General of the DOA. The Committee meets every month to monitor and evaluate implementation of the Action Plan and has been effective in ensuring enhanced conservation of the WHS.</i></p> <p><b>2. World Heritage Management Division</b></p> <p><i>This is one of the seven divisions of the DOA and is dedicated to the management, monitoring and reporting of the state of preservation of the WHS.</i></p> <p><b>3. Heritage Conservation Unit</b></p> <p><i>The Unit is part of the DOA and advises on the conservation of the Monument Zone.</i></p> <p><b>4. Darbar Maintenance Office</b></p>	084 085

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	<p><i>This is located in Bhaktapur palace and is part of the DOA. It carries out regular monitoring of the Monument Zone.</i></p> <p><b>5. Chagu Narayan VDC</b></p> <p>6. <i>The Chagu Narayan VDC is involved with monitoring of the Monument Zone on a local level.</i></p>	
	<p>If not already in place, is the establishment of a formal monitoring system planned? YES / NO</p> <p><i>N/A</i></p> <p>If YES, please outline the functioning of that system, taking into consideration the key indicators you will be asked to define below (see 089 / 090):</p> <p><i>N/A</i></p> <p><b>II.6. continued</b></p>	<p>086</p> <p>087</p>
	<p>Are there any indicators established for monitoring the state of conservation of the property? YES / (NO)</p> <p>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: <i>N/A</i></p> <p>If NO indicators have been identified and / or used so far, please define key indicators for future use in monitoring:</p> <p><i>A system of indicators is under consideration. Key indicators are likely to be:</i></p> <p><i>Refusal/granting of demolition permits</i></p> <p><i>Illegal development and enforcement action</i></p> <p><i>Repair grants given</i></p> <p><i>Repairs undertaken</i></p> <p><i>New buildings constructed in accordance with approved plans</i></p> <p><i>Numbers of buildings at risk</i></p> <p><i>Property value/added value</i></p> <p><i>Monitoring will be assisted by the listing of all monuments in the Monument Zone in three grades. It will be possible to use this list and the inventory descriptions as a base line, allowing change to be monitored and recorded.</i></p>	<p>088</p> <p>089</p> <p>090</p>
	<p>Indicate which partners, if any, are involved or will be involved in the regular monitoring exercise:</p> <p><i>The DOA and the VDC will be involved in regular monitoring.</i></p>	<p>091</p>

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Identify the administrative provisions for organizing the regular monitoring of the property: <i>The monitoring arrangements are described in 085.</i>	092
Describe what improvement the State Party foresees or would consider desirable in improving the monitoring system: <i>Apart from establishing Key Indicators, better training, particularly of site staff, would be desirable. The Darbar Maintenance Office and VDC also requires a computer and E-mail in order to be fully effective.</i>	093
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 the actions that have been taken in response to the observations or decisions made by the Bureau or Committee. Give details, if applicable: <i>As described in 085, a National High Level Monitoring Committee has been established to ensure that the 55 recommendations of the 1988 Joint Mission are implemented. An expert committee has also been established to grade the monuments in accordance with the recommendations and the ICOMOS guidelines.</i>	094

## II.7. Conclusions and recommended actions

Please summarize the main conclusions regarding the state of the World Heritage values of the property (see items II.2. and II.3. above): <i>Although the World Heritage Values of the Monument Zone are largely unchanged since the time of Inscription (021) and the major monuments are generally in a better state than at any time since inscription, the authenticity and integrity of the site has been preserved by prohibiting demolition and redevelopment of traditional houses . The legal and regulatory provisions have now been overhauled, resulting in greatly enhanced management of the zone and preventing further erosion of its integrity. Conservation projects for some private historic houses within the Monument Zone should help to recover some of the losses.</i>	095
Please summarize the main conclusions regarding the management and factors affecting the property (see items II.4. and II.5. above): <i>The improved handling of planning applications, involving both the DOA and VDC has made the system more effective and responsive. Greater empowerment at local level has increased the commitment of local people to conservation.</i>  <i>Now that the conservation of the major monuments is largely complete, attention has turned to the minor monuments and private houses. The mechanisms for directing financial support to private owners need to be made more effective in order to provide further incentives (050).</i>	096
Give an overview over proposed future action / actions: <i>1. The monuments in the Monument Zone will be graded and the list of Protected Monuments will be Gazetted.</i> <i>2. A system of key indicators will be established to allow better direction of monitoring efforts within the monument zone.</i>	097

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<p>3. <i>Further support will be given to house owners to encourage the conservation of traditional buildings.</i></p> <p>4. <i>Programmes directed at the education of local people and visitors as to the benefits of conservation will be extended.</i></p>	
<p>Name the agency responsible for implementation of these actions (if different from 005): <i>As 05 and as 035 (2).</i></p>	098
<p>Give a timeframe for the implementation of the actions described above: <i>Action 1 will be carried out in line with the Time-Bound Action Plan of the 55 Recommendations of the 1998 Joint Mission. 2 will be developed during the next year. 3 and 4 will be ongoing.</i></p>	099
<p>Indicate for which of the planned activities International Assistance from the World Heritage Fund may be needed (if any): <i>Further support for staff training would be desirable.</i></p> <p><b><i>II.7. continued</i></b></p>	100

<p>Are there any contacts with management units of other properties within or outside your country? (YES) / <u>NO</u></p>	101
<p>If YES, please explain:</p>	102
<p>Please indicate which experience made during the periodic reporting exercise and/or during the on-going conservation / protection efforts of the property could be shared with other States Parties dealing with similar problems or issues: <i>The experience of managing historic sites in a village environment would be of particular value to other State Parties, particularly in developing countries.</i></p>	103
<p>Provide the name(s) and address(es) of organization(s) or specialist(s) who could be contacted for this purpose: <i>As 035.</i></p>	104

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

<p>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>The Section II Report of Patan Monument Zone was prepared with the assistance of Giles</i></p>	105
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<p><i>Proctor, international expert and David Michelmore, international coordinator of the Asia Urbs Project is taken as a model for preparing this reports. The staff of the DOA and the gave freely of their time.</i></p>	
<p>Was the questionnaire clear and did it help to comply with the reporting requirements of the State Party?</p> <p><i>More detailed instructions for the completion of the report would be helpful. Some abbreviation and elimination of duplication would also be beneficial.</i></p>	106
<p>What are the perceived benefits and lessons learnt of the exercise?</p> <p><i>The reporting exercise has helped to identify the strengths and weakness of the management of the Monument Zone. In particular, it has helped to remind those responsible of the many successes of the last few years and it has inspired confidence in the future. It is all too easy to be pessimistic, but an exercise such as this demonstrates that there is much about which to be optimistic.</i></p> <p><b>II.8. continued</b></p>	107
<p>Please describe the expected outcome of the Periodic Reporting exercise and the desired follow-up by the World Heritage Committee:</p> <p><i>The state party are confident that the report will demonstrate the great advances which have been made in the management and conservation of the Changu Naraya Monument Zone and that this will help, in concert with the reports on the other Monument Zones which make up the Kathmandu World Heritage Site, to convince the World Heritage Committee that the Site is not in danger. Continued support will be necessary to maintain the advances of the last few years, in particular in training the staff of the statutory authorities and to assist with the conservation of individual monuments and buildings. However, the report demonstrates that we can look to the future with confidence.</i></p>	108

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## 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 boundary and buffer zone as well as the necessary detail of the property itself (see question 003 for specifications)  
➤ *See Annex – 1 & 8*
2. ( ) Photo of general view (aerial view) of the property  
➤ *See Annex – 7*
3. ( ) Illustrations of the state of conservation of the site (photographs, slides and, if available, film/videos)  
➤ *See Annex – 7*
4. ( ) Details of the important aspects of the property (landscapes, animal and vegetable species, monuments etc.)
5. ( ) Photos illustrating the main threats to the site and its surroundings  
➤ *See Annex – 6*
6. ( ) Extracts of relevant laws and regulations concerning the protection of cultural and natural heritage at national, provincial and municipal levels.  
➤ *See Annex – 2*
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.)  
➤ *See Annex – 10*
8. ( ) Indicative bibliography  
➤ *See Annex – 11*

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## ANNEXES

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Annex-2	:	Ancient Monument Preservation Act 2013 (1956 AD)
	:	Ancient Monument Preservation
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Annex-8	:	Topographic Map of Kathmandu Valley (Showing 7 Zones of Kathmandu Valley W.H. Site).
Annex-9	:	Annual Progress Report of Conservation.
Annex-10	:	Site Management plan.
Annex-11	:	Selected Bibliograph.

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## ANNEX- 1

### Map Showing the Boundary of

### Changu Narayan Protected Monument Zone

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## ANNEX- 2

Ancient Monument Preservation Act 2013 (1956 A.D)

Ancient Monument Preservation Rules – 2046 (1989 A.D)

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## ANNEX -3

### Organization Chart of DOA

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## ANNEX- 4

### Photographs

(Showing the Present Condition of the Monuments)

Changu Narayan

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ANNEX-5  
Leaflets  
Changu Narayan

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## ANNEX-6

# Audiovisual Compact Discs

An Introduction  
Changu Narayan

## ANNEX-7

# Aerial Photograph

(Showing Seven Protected Monument Zones of Kathmandu Valley W.H.Sites)

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ANNEX-8

# Topographic Map of Kathmandu Valley

(Showing Seven zones of Kathmandu Valley W.H.site)

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ANNEX-9

# Annual Progress Report of Conservation

UPDATED PROGRESS REPORT -2002

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## ANNEX- 10

# Site Management Plans

## ANNEX- 11

# Bibliography

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**PERIODIC REPORTING EXERCISE  
ON THE APPLICATION OF THE WORLD HERITAGE  
CONVENTION**

**SECTION II**

**State of Conservation of specific World Heritage properties**

**State Party: NEPAL**

**Property Name: KATHMANDU VALLEY**

**KATHMANDU (Hanuman Dhoka) DARBAR SQUARE  
MONUMENT ZONE**

## PERIODIC REPORTING FOR WELL PLANNED HERITAGE PRESERVATION

### Background

The twenty-ninth General Conference of UNESCO, held in 1997, decided to activate Article 29 of the World Heritage Convention concerning the submission of periodic reports on the state of implementation of the World Heritage Convention (Section I) and the State of Conservation of World Heritage properties (Section II). The national authorities are invited to report on Section I, while Section II shall be prepared for each property inscribed on the World Heritage list by the person(s) directly in charge of the property's management.

The periodic reports prepared by the States Parties will serve a three-fold purpose:

- ❖ to assess the current state of all World Heritage related issues in a State Party,
- ❖ to help focus the Committee's as well as the State Party's future activities and funds,
- ❖ to strengthen sub-regional and regional co-operation between States Parties.

### The Periodic Reporting Questionnaire

In 1998, at its twenty-second session, the World Heritage Committee approved *Explanatory Notes*, designed to be read in conjunction with the *Periodic Reporting Format*, in order to outline the information expected to flow from the periodic reporting exercise. To facilitate the preparation of the report, a *Questionnaire* was developed that the States Parties are encouraged to use. It closely follows the subjects referred to in the *Explanatory Notes*, but in contrast to the latter splits the subjects up into short questions to be answered in a few sentences or paragraphs. A second type of question requires the indication of YES or NO by circling or underlining the appropriate answer. All questions are clearly identified with a little number in the right hand column of the *Questionnaire*. To make the reporting results meaningful every one of these questions has to be answered. If no answer is possible, the reasons should be given. If the available space is not sufficient for the answer, the response should be continued on a separate sheet of paper, clearly indicating the number of the question the text refers to (e.g. 006).

### Benefits for the States Parties

The *Questionnaire* was developed in such a way as to allow to extract and compile or compare relevant information from different States Parties or properties, facilitating the process of preparing the regional synthesis report to be presented to the World Heritage Committee. The YES / NO questions make it possible to evaluate the reports quantitatively, but only the details that should be supplied in the related 'open question' make the answers meaningful and can be the basis for concerted actions to preserve a State Party's most valuable heritage for its transmission to future generations.

The information collected in this way will help the States Parties to assess their own strengths and weaknesses concerning the implementation of the World Heritage Convention, putting them in a position to (re)define policies and to request assistance in order to finance projects and / or training. On the other hand it allows the World Heritage Committee to collect information needed to devise *Regional Action Plans*, give well-informed advice to States Parties and to focus funds as well as attention on the region(s), States Parties and / or properties that need the collective support of the international community.



The preparation process of the regional periodic report will furthermore enhance regional co-operation through information meetings as well as through the better availability of regularly up-dated information on activities as well as contact addresses etc. The identification of the State Party's strengths makes it possible to exchange experiences and look for solutions to problems (e.g. of site conservation) within the region.

### **Conclusion**

Periodic Reporting is a participatory exercise, aiming to collect information on World Heritage related issues on a national as well as on the property level. The individual State Party reports will be collated into a regional synthesis report to be presented to the World Heritage Committee. This information will enhance cooperation between the Committee and the States Parties and allow to focus funds and activities more efficiently, allowing the States Parties to protect their most valuable heritage more effectively for transmission to future generations.

**PERIODIC REPORTING ON THE APPLICATION OF THE  
WORLD HERITAGE CONVENTION  
(FORMAT)**

**SECTION II: STATE OF CONSERVATION OF SPECIFIC WORLD HERITAGE PROPERTIES**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**II.1 Introduction**

- a. State Party
- b. Name of World Heritage property
- c. Geographical coordinates to the nearest second
- d. Date of inscription on the World Heritage List
- e. Organization(s) or entity(ies) responsible for the preparation of the report
- f. Date of report
- g. Signature on behalf of State Party

**II.2. Statement of significance**

**II.3. Statement of authenticity/integrity**

**II.4. Management**

**II.5. Factors affecting the property**

**II.6. Monitoring**

**II.7. Conclusions and recommended action**

- a. Main conclusions regarding the state of the World Heritage values of the property (see items II.2. and II.3. above)
- b. Main conclusions regarding the management and factors affecting the property (see Items II.4 and II.5. above)
- c. Proposed future action/actions
- d. Responsible implementing agency/agencies
- e. Timeframe for implementation
- f. Needs for international assistance.

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

**II.9. Documentation attached**

## II.1. Introduction

a.	Country (and State Party if different): <i>Nepal</i>	001
b.	Name of World Heritage property: <i>Kathmandu Valley WHS</i> <i>Kathmandu(Hanumandhoka) Darbar Square Monument</i> <i>Zone</i>	002
c.	<p>In order to locate the property precisely, please attach a topographic map showing scale, orientation, projection, datum, site name, date 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 geographic information in digital form so that it can be integrated into a Geographic 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>Centre point:</p> <p>North-west corner: 27 42' 14.236"N</p> <p>South-east corner: 85 18' 36.88"E</p>	003
d.	Give the date of inscription on the World Heritage List and subsequent extension (if applicable): <i>1979</i>	004
e.	<p>Organization(s) or entity(ies) responsible for the preparation of this report.</p> <p>Organization(s) / entity(ies):</p> <p>Person(s) responsible: <i>Director General, Department of Archaeology</i></p> <p>Address: <i>Ramshah Path, Kathmandu, Nepal</i></p> <p>City and post code: <i>KATHMANDU</i></p> <p>Telephone: <i>977-1-250683, 250686, 250687</i></p> <p>Fax: <i>977-1-262856</i></p> <p>E-mail: <i>archaeology@infoclub.com.np</i></p>	005
f.	Date of preparation of the report: <i>November 2002</i>	006
g.	<p>Signature on behalf of the State Party</p> <p>Signature: .....</p> <p>Name: <i>Mrs. Shobha Shrestha</i></p> <p>Function: <i>Director General</i></p>	007

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## 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:</p> <p>Cultural criteria: i – ii – (iii) – (iv) – v – (vi)</p> <p>Natural criteria: i – ii – iii – iv</p>	008
<p>Were new criteria added by re-nominating and/or extending the property after the original inscription? YES / (NO)</p>	009
<p>If YES, please explain: <i>N/A</i></p>	010
<p>Please quote observations concerning the property made by the Advisory Body(ies) during the evaluation of the nomination:</p> <p><i>ICOMOS does not appear to have made any specific observations concerning the property at the time of inscription.</i></p>	011
<p>Quote the decisions and observations / recommendations, if appropriate, made by the World Heritage Committee at the time of inscription and extension (if applicable):</p> <p><i>The comments of the World Heritage Committee at the time of inscription, if any, are not recorded.</i></p>	012
<p>Identify the actions taken as follow-up to these observations and/or decisions:</p> <p><i>As no observations were made, no follow-up action was taken until after the 1993 UNESCO/ICOMOS Review Mission.</i></p>	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 also detail what the property represents, what makes it outstanding, what the specific values are that distinguish the property as well as what its relationship with its setting is, etc.:</p> <p><i>The cultural heritage of the Kathmandu Valley, of outstanding universal value, is represented by seven groups of monuments and buildings which taken together as a multiple resource display the full array of historic and artistic achievement for which the Kathmandu Valley is world famous. The seven include the three Darbar Squares of Kathmandu, Patan and Bhaktapur, the two Buddhist stupas of Swayambhu and Baudhanath and the two Hindu temple complexes of Pashupati and Changu Narayan. The seven monument zones are not only architecturally rich, but form the setting for a vibrant and living intangible culture of artistic and craft activity and ritual practices.</i></p>	014

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<b>II.2. continued</b>		
<i>The zones form the background for the traditional way of life of the people of the Valley.</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? YES / (NO)		015
If YES, please explain: <i>N/A</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: (YES) / NO		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): <i>N/A</i>		018
Is the State Party actively considering a revision of the property boundaries or the buffer zone? YES / (NO)		019
If YES, indicate what is being done to that end: <i>N/A</i>		020

**II.3. Statement of authenticity / integrity**

Have the World Heritage values identified above been maintained since the property's inscription? (YES) / NO		021
If NO, please describe the changes and name the causes: <i>N/A</i>		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>There is no record of the ICOMOS evaluation at the time of inscription.</i>		023
Have there been changes in the authenticity / integrity since inscription? (YES) / NO		024

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<p><b>II.3. continued</b></p> <p>If YES, please describe the changes to the authenticity / integrity and name the main causes?</p> <p><i>Within the Kathmandu (Hanumandhoka) Darbar Square Monument Zone the principal religious and public monuments are now in a better condition than at any time since inscription. All the principal temples are in good repair or are under repair. A number of major and minor monuments of this monument zone have been repaired since its inscription as a World Heritage Site. The minor religious buildings are mainly in good repair, although some further work will be necessary. However, as the World Heritage Committee is aware, the conservation of the privately owned traditional houses within the Monument Zone has proved to be more problematical. Since inscription a number of houses have been replaced with inappropriate buildings of reinforced concrete, resulting in the loss of examples of the historic architecture of the Valley, disruption to the scale and detail of the historic streets and, in some cases, damage to the setting of the principal monuments.</i></p> <p><i>The replacement of traditional houses resulted from the rapid growth of the population of Kathmandu, combined with the increasing wealth of many within the Monument Zone and their expectations of a higher quality of life. The legal and regulatory structures were not designed to cope with such pressures and were consequently virtually overwhelmed by the pressure of development. However, since the 1992 ICOMOS mission and report, subsequent reports, international financial support and technical cooperation, amendments to the protective legislation and greatly enhanced regulation and monitoring, the situation has been radically improved. In the last couple of years, the illegal demolition of houses within the Kathmandu Darbar Square Monument Zone has not taken place, applications to demolish houses of historic interest have been resisted and the design and quality of new buildings has greatly improved. There is clear evidence of a greater understanding on the part of the people of Kathmandu of the value and importance of their cultural heritage which, combined with continuing commitment of the regulatory authorities, will ensure that the successes of recent years are maintained and continued, safeguarding the surviving authenticity of the Monument Zone. It is already evident that the owners of some of the illegal concrete houses are aware of the degree to which they detract from the beauty and authenticity of the Monument Zone. Some propose to carry out corrective measures, such as refacing with traditional materials. The DOA and the Municipality propose to encourage (and enforce) others to carry out similar action, rectifying past damage.</i></p>	<p>025</p>
<p>Are there (further) changes foreseeable to the authenticity / integrity of the property in the near future?  <span style="float: right;">YES / (NO)</span></p>	<p>026</p>
<p>If YES, please explain and indicate how these changes might affect the World Heritage values of the property: <i>N/A</i></p>	<p>027</p>

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## II.4. Management

	<p>How could the arrangements for the protection and the management of the property best be defined (more than one indication possible)?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Legal ( * ) Contractual ( ) Traditional ( * )</p>	028
	<p>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:</p> <p><i>The preservation of the built heritage of the Kingdom is governed by the Ancient Monuments Preservation Act 2013 (1956 AD) and amendments and the Ancient Monument Preservation Regulations (1989). The seven zones of the World Heritage Site have been declared to be Protected Monument Zones under the Act.</i></p> <p><i>The operation of development control within Kathmandu (Hanumandhoka) Darbar Square Monument Zone has been modified by the Local Self Governance Act (1999), with the result that the Metropolitan City are now closely involved in the process in conjunction with the DOA. The exact arrangements are described in 033. As described in 025, the revised management arrangements are proving to be increasingly effective, due in no small part to effective monitoring and the involvement of the local community in the conservation effort. The DOA and the Metropolitan City have also worked hard to encourage the Guthiyars (trustees) of many of the minor monuments to have a better appreciation of their buildings and the value of traditional architecture and repair methods. As a result, management of the Monument Zone has been significantly enhanced.</i></p> <p>In general terms, can this legislative, contractual and/or traditional protection be considered sufficient? <span style="float: right;">(YES) / NO</span></p> <p>Please explain:</p> <p><i>The legal arrangements for protection of the Monument Zone are now generally good. It is proposed to eliminate some overlaps in jurisdiction by means of a Sixth Amendment of the Ancient Monuments Preservation Act, although this is unlikely to have a significant impact upon the implementation of the Act.</i></p> <p><i>The operation of the local traditional Guthis has been enhanced by local empowerment and education in the value of the built heritage, enhancing their effectiveness as property owners.</i></p>	029
	<p>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, amongst others). Please also attach any documentation available concerning these points:</p> <p><i>Nepalese laws and regulations concerning the preservation of the cultural heritage are listed below. Summaries are attached as appendices.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>1. Ancient Monument Preservation Act 1956, Fifth Amendment 1996</i></li> <li><i>2. Ancient Monument Preservation Regulations 1989</i></li> </ol>	030  031  032

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<p><b>II.4. continued</b></p> <p>Phone: 977-1-272110, 270334</p> <p>E-mail: hatd@wlink.com.np</p>	
<p>Is it necessary to revise the administrative and management arrangements for the property? (YES)/ NO</p> <p>If YES, explain why this is the case:</p> <p><i>Subject to further analysis, some revision to visitor management, including increasing the effectiveness of the Tourist Entry Charge, would be desirable. The revenue generated by the Entry Charge has great potential for enhancing the conservation and management of the Monument Zone, as well as providing tangible evidence of the value of heritage conservation to the economy of the city due to the revenue which should accrue.</i></p>	<p>036</p> <p>037</p>
<p>Is there a management plan for the property? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If YES, please summarize, indicating if the plan is being implemented and since when:</p> <p><i>The Heritage conservation and Management Master Plan for the Hanumandhoka Darbar Square Monument Zone has not yet been prepared. As per the recommendation, number 54 of the tripartite (UNESCO/ ICOMOS/ HMG-N) mission 1998 the UNESCO have to support for the preparation of the Master Plan, and the state party awaiting UNESCO'S response.</i></p>	<p>038</p> <p>039</p>
<p>Please report on legal and administrative actions that are foreseen for the future, 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>Amendments to the protective legislation are proposed in order to resolve overlaps in institutions and jurisdiction to enhance future management of the Monument Zones. This proposal is currently under discussion by the concerned authorities.</i></p>	<p>040</p>
<p>Please provide detailed information, particularly in cases where changes have occurred since the inscription of the property, on the following matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Conservation</u> Make reference to all major interventions at the property and describe its present state of conservation:</li> </ul> <p><i>Sixtyone individual monuments are listed in the original nomination dossier. These Sixty one monuments represent only the most significant and do not include minor monuments and the private buildings which have been identified as worthy of preservation and which will be graded and Gazetted. Of the, Sixtyone virtually all are in good repair. Since 1998, the repair of the Kasthamandap Jagannath temple, Mahavishnu, Indrapur, Narayan Temple have been completed, the Gopi Krishna temple is under repairing.</i></p>	<p>041</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Ownership</u> Make reference to all major changes in ownership of the property and describe the present state of ownership:</li> </ul> <p><i>Own Ownership of the major monuments remains variously with HM the King, the DOA and the traditional guthis.</i></p>	<p>042</p>

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	<p><b>II.4. continued</b></p> <p><i>minor monuments, including the houses, are largely privately owned. Most remain with their traditional lineages, but inevitably there have been some changes of ownership.</i></p>	
	<p>Please, give a detailed description of the staffing of the site:</p> <p><i>The DOA World Heritage Management Section has five members of staff and the Heritage Conservation Unit has a further eighteen posts, which includes four professional staff and twelve technical staff. The Darbar Maintenance Office of the DOA in Hanumandhoka Palace is responsible for the general monitoring and Darbar Square, particularly in maintaining the intangible heritages of the palace.</i></p> <p><i>The Cultural Heritage &amp; Tourism Department of Kathmandu Metropolitan city is having 16 staffs.</i></p> <p>Is the staffing level sufficient for adequate management of the property?      <u>(YES)</u> / NO</p> <p>If NO, what should be done to improve the situation? <i>N/A</i></p>	<p>043</p> <p>044</p> <p>045</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>The staff of both the DOA and the Urban Development Division of the Metropolitan City require training in monitoring and achieving compliance with the protective legislation.</i></p> <p><i>Training for DOA and City staff is required in the documentation and recording of the historic environment. Training in conservation and archaeological techniques to up-to-date international standards is also required.</i></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 DOA has an annual budget for conservation, this year of Rs 7,400,000 (US\$95,000) for the whole of the WHS. Within the Hanumandhoka Darbar Square Monument Zone the Metropolitan City has funded environmental improvements and monument conservation.</i></p> <p><i>The Kathmandu Valley Preservation Trust, raises funds for conservation work from national and international donors and recently funded the restoration of Indrapur and Narayan Temple mapping project.</i></p> <p><i>The tourist entrance fee produces an income for conservation and environmental projects and has scope for future development and reform.</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>The funds available from all sources are largely sufficient for the conservation of the major monuments.</p>	<p>048</p> <p>049</p> <p>050</p>

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	<p><b>II.4. continued</b></p> <p>Are you using (multiple indications are possible):</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">PC ( * )</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Apple ( )</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Mainframe ( )</p> <p>Please, give the number of available computers:</p> <p><i>The DOA World Heritage Management Section has one computer.</i></p> <p>Does an operational access to the Internet exist? (YES) / NO</p> <p><i>In both the DOA and kathmandu Metropolitan City.</i></p>	<p>057</p> <p>058</p> <p>059</p>
	<p>Is e-mail used for daily correspondence? (YES) / NO</p>	<p>060</p>
	<p>Is there a Geographical Information System (GIS) for the site? YES / (NO)</p> <p><i>An Urban Management Information System based on GIS and RDMS is established by Kathmandu Valley Mapping Programme (KVMP) of kathmandu metropolitan city.</i></p> <p>If YES, what software do you have and how is the GIS used?</p> <p><i>The software used in the programme are:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>1. Arc View 8.1 for Windows NT and 2000, 5 set</i></li> <li><i>2. ArcIMS 3.1 for Windows NT and Windows 2000, 1 sets</i></li> </ol> <p><i>The GIS and RDMS based system is used in preparing spatially related applications, and comprises of maps, related, attribute data and satellite imagery.</i></p>	<p>061</p> <p>062</p>
	<p>List scientific studies and research programmes that have been conducted concerning the site:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>1. Digital mapping of Hanumandhoka Darbar Square Monument Zone.</i></li> <li><i>2. An inventory of all public and private monuments in the Monument Zone.</i></li> <li><i>3. A study of Hanumandhoka Palace by G.B. Bajracharya in the title of "Hanumandhoka Rajdarbar" is published in Nepali.</i></li> </ol>	<p>063</p>
	<p>Describe financial and human resource inputs for the research programmes and or facilities:</p> <p><i>The research projects have been funded by HMG Nepal, UNESCO, bilateral assistance and national and international donors.</i></p>	<p>064</p>

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	<p><b>II.4. continued</b></p> <p>Describe how the information / results are disseminated?</p> <p><i>The information is disseminated by publication and through workshops, seminars, public lectures and exhibitions.</i></p>	065
	<p>Are there any visitor statistics for the site? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If YES, please summarise the statistics and attach to this report:</p> <p><i>The Hanumandhoka Area Conservation Programme of KMC estimates that, in the 2001/2002 year, approximately 90000 visit the Monument Zone.</i></p>	066 067
	<p>What visitor facilities do you have at the property?</p> <p><i>King Tribhuvan and king Mahendra Memorial Museums are the principal facility provided for visitors. As well as exhibiting Public Transport is available to and from most parts of the Kathmandu Valley. As kathmandu is a vibrant urban area many privately owned shops, cafés, restaurants and guest houses which cater for visitors are found within the Monument Zone. Larger hotels are within easy reach.</i></p> <p><i>The night marke recently arranged by the KMC in the street of Basantapur has provided street shopping facility to the visitors even in the night time.</i></p>	068
	<p>What visitor facilities are you in need of?</p>	069
	<p>Is a public use plan (tourism / visitor management plan) in existence for the property? (YES) / NO</p>	070
	<p>If YES, please summarize, if NO explain if one is needed:</p>	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>The DOA and the Heritage conservation site office of KMC will provide information on the WHS, to visitors. A range of information leaflets, illustrated in colour, have been produced by the DOA, KMC and other bodies. These are published in English and Nepali and are distributed through the DOA and KMC site office.</i></p> <p><i>A carved stone plaque provides information on the Monument Zone and its principal monuments in English. Stone markers, indicating the boundaries of the Monument Zone, have been erected.</i></p> <p><i>Several events and exhibitions have been held, in the Darbar Square.</i></p>	072

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<b>II.4. continued</b>		
Are there educational programmes concerning the property aimed at schools? (YES) / NO		073
If yes, please describe: <i>A schools awareness programme, explaining the significance of the WHS, is being organised by the KMC.</i>		074
What role does World Heritage inscription play for the site concerning the visitor number, the research programmes and/or the awareness building activities?		075
<i>World Heritage status is widely publicised both nationally and internationally and is crucial for the recognition of the outstanding cultural value of the Kathmandu Valley. The publicity given to the WHS undoubtedly attracts a high proportion of the visitors to the Kingdom as a whole.</i>		

### II.5. Factors affecting the property

Please comment on the degree to which the property is threatened by particular problems and risks, such as development pressure, environmental pressure, natural disasters and preparedness, visitor / tourism pressure, number of inhabitants. Also mention all other issues that you see as problematic.  <i>As explained above, the Monument Zone is subject to significant pressure due to population growth and rapid economic development and consequential social change. As the Valley has become increasingly heavily populated the open farmland which surrounded the historic city at the time of inscription of the Monument Zone has been built over and the environment has been increasingly polluted.</i>  <i>The whole Valley is an area of high earthquake risk and this monument zone received damage at modified Mercalli Scale IX in 1934. Some earthquake strengthening using traditional methods has already been undertaken to counter future risk.</i> <i>The Monument Zone has the capacity to accommodate significantly higher visitor numbers than at present.</i>		076
Is there an emergency plan and / or risk preparedness plan for the property in existence? (YES) / NO		077
If YES, please summarise the plan and provide a copy: <i>Kathmandu Metropolitan City is implementing the Nepal Building Code which is designed to mitigate the risk of earthquake damage.</i>		078

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	<p><b>II.5. continued</b></p> <p>If NO, describe what is being done – and by whom – to counteract the dangers that threaten or may threaten the property: <i>N/A</i></p>	079
	<p>Indicate areas where improvement would be desirable and/or towards which the State Party is working:</p> <p><i>The recent successes of the DOA and the Metropolitan City in resisting illegal development within the Monument Zone need to be maintained.</i></p>	080
	<p>Give an indication if the impact of the factors affecting the property is increasing or decreasing:</p> <p><i>As explained, due to the diligence of the regulatory authorities the detrimental factors affecting the property are decreasing.</i></p>	081
	<p>What actions have been effectively taken, or are planned for the future, to address the factors affecting the property?</p> <p><i>Increased training of staff responsible for monitoring the Monument Zone is planned.</i></p> <p><i>Regular monitoring of the Monument Zone is being undertaken.</i></p> <p><i>Support is being provided by HM Government for house owners through the provision of subsidised timber and traditional bricks. 10% of the total cost of traditional construction is borne by HMG.</i></p>	082

**II.6. Monitoring**

	<p>If applicable, give details (e.g. dates, results, indicators chosen) of any previous periodic or reactive monitoring exercises of the property:</p> <p><i>In 1993 a joint UNESCO/ICOMOS Review Mission defined Sixteen Points of Concern. From 1994 annual monitoring reports were submitted by HMG to the World Heritage Committee to demonstrate compliance with the Sixteen Points.</i></p> <p><i>In 1998 a UNESCO/ICOMOS/HMG Joint Mission made 55 recommendations and defined a time-bound action plan of corrective measures. Subsequent monitoring reports have demonstrated the success of the authorities in implementing the recommendations.</i></p>	083
	<p>Is there a formal monitoring system established for the site? (YES) / NO</p>	084

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<p><b>II.6. continued</b></p> <p>If YES, please give details of its organization:</p> <p><i>1. National High Level Monitoring Committee</i></p> <p><i>To monitor the implementation of the time-bound Action Plan recommended by the UNESCO/ICOMOS/HMG Nepal Joint Mission, a High Level Monitoring Committee has been established under the chairmanship of the Honourable Minister for Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation. The Secretary and Joint Secretary of the ministry, the mayors of Kathmandu Metropolitan City, Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City and Bhaktapur Municipality and the Chief District Officers of Kathmandu, Lalitpur and Bhaktapur are members. The Member Secretary of the Committee is the Director General of the DOA. The Committee meets every month to monitor and evaluate implementation of the Action Plan and has been effective in ensuring enhanced conservation of the WHS.</i></p> <p><i>2. World Heritage Management Division</i></p> <p><i>This is one of the seven divisions of the DOA and is dedicated to the management, monitoring and reporting of the state of preservation of the WHS.</i></p> <p><i>3. Heritage Conservation Unit</i></p> <p><i>The Unit is part of the DOA and advises on the conservation of the Monument Zone.</i></p> <p><i>4. Darbar Maintenance Office</i></p> <p><i>This is located in Hanumandhoka Palace and is part of the DOA. It carries out regular monitoring of the Monument Zone.</i></p> <p><i>5. Kathmandu Metropolitan City</i></p> <p><i>The Urban Development Division is involved with monitoring of the Monument Zone on a local level.</i></p>	<p>085</p>
<p>If not already in place, is the establishment of a formal monitoring system planned? YES / NO</p> <p><i>N/A</i></p>	<p>086</p>
<p>If YES, please outline the functioning of that system, taking into consideration the key indicators you will be asked to define below (see 089 / 090):</p> <p><i>N/A</i></p>	<p>087</p>
<p>Are there any indicators established for monitoring the state of conservation of the property? YES / (NO)</p>	<p>088</p>
<p>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: <i>N/A</i></p>	<p>089</p>

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<p>If NO indicators have been identified and / or used so far, please define key indicators for future use in monitoring:</p> <p><i>A system of indicators is under consideration. Key indicators are likely to be:</i></p> <p><i>Refusal/granting of demolition permits</i></p> <p><i>Illegal development and enforcement action</i></p> <p><i>Repair grants given</i></p> <p><i>Repairs undertaken</i></p> <p><i>New buildings constructed in accordance with approved plans</i></p> <p><i>Numbers of buildings at risk</i></p> <p><i>Property value/added value</i></p> <p><i>Monitoring will be assisted by the listing of all monuments in the Monument Zone in three grades. It will be possible to use this list and the inventory descriptions as a base line, allowing change to be monitored and recorded.</i></p>	090
<p>Indicate which partners, if any, are involved or will be involved in the regular monitoring exercise:</p> <p><i>The DOA and the Metropolitan City will be involved in regular monitoring.</i></p> <p>Identify the administrative provisions for organizing the regular monitoring of the property:</p> <p><i>The monitoring arrangements are described in 085.</i></p>	091  092
<p>Describe what improvement the State Party foresees or would consider desirable in improving the monitoring system:</p> <p><i>Apart from establishing Key Indicators, better training, particularly of site staff, would be desirable. The Darbar Maintenance Office also requires a computer and E-mail in order to be fully effective.</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 the 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 described in 085, a National High Level Monitoring Committee has been established to ensure that the 55 recommendations of the 1988 Joint Mission are implemented. An expert committee has also been established to grade the monuments in accordance with the recommendations and the ICOMOS guidelines.</i></p>	094

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## II.7. Conclusions and recommended actions

<p>Please summarize the main conclusions regarding the state of the World Heritage values of the property (see items II.2. and II.3. above):</p> <p><i>Although the World Heritage Values of the Monument Zone are largely unchanged since the time of Inscription (021) and the major monuments are generally in a better state than at any time since inscription, the authenticity and integrity of the site has been damaged by demolition and redevelopment of traditional houses . The legal and regulatory provisions have now been overhauled, resulting in greatly enhanced management of the zone and preventing further erosion of its integrity. Conservation projects for a number of private historic houses within the Monument Zone should help to recover some of the losses of the 1990s.</i></p>	095
<p>Please summarize the main conclusions regarding the management and factors affecting the property (see items II.4. and II.5. above):</p> <p><i>The improved handling of planning applications, involving both the DOA and Metropolitan City, has made the system more effective and responsive. Greater empowerment at local level has increased the commitment of local people to conservation.</i></p> <p><i>Now that the conservation of the major monuments is largely complete, attention has turned to the minor monuments and private houses. The mechanisms for directing financial support to private owners need to be made more effective in order to provide further incentives (050).</i></p>	096
<p>Give an overview over proposed future action / actions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>1. The monuments in the Monument Zone will be graded and the list of Protected Monuments will be Gazetted.</i></li> <li><i>2. A system of key indicators will be established to allow better direction of monitoring efforts within the monument zone.</i></li> <li><i>3. Further support will be given to house owners to encourage the conservation of traditional buildings.</i></li> <li><i>4. Programmes directed at the education of local people and visitors as to the benefits of conservation will be extended.</i></li> </ol>	097
<p>Name the agency responsible for implementation of these actions (if different from 005):</p> <p><i>As 05 and as 035 (2).</i></p>	098
<p>Give a timeframe for the implementation of the actions described above:</p> <p><i>Action 1 will be carried out in line with the Time-Bound Action Plan of the 55 Recommendations of the 1998 Joint Mission. 2 will be developed during the next year.3 and 4 will be ongoing.</i></p>	099

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**II.7. continued**

	<p>Indicate for which of the planned activities International Assistance from the World Heritage Fund may be needed (if any):</p> <p><i>Further support for staff training would be desirable.</i></p>	100
	<p>Are there any contacts with management units of other properties within or outside your country? (YES) / <u>NO</u></p>	101
	<p>If YES, please explain:</p>	102
	<p>Please indicate which experience made during the periodic reporting exercise and/or during the on-going conservation / protection efforts of the property could be shared with other States Parties dealing with similar problems or issues:</p> <p><i>The experience of managing historic sites in a rapidly changing urban environment would be of particular value to other State Parties, particularly in developing countries.</i></p>	103
	<p>Provide the name(s) and address(es) of organization(s) or specialist(s) who could be contacted for this purpose:</p> <p><i>As 035.</i></p>	104

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

	<p>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.)?</p> <p><i>The Section II Report of Patan Monument Zone was prepared with the assistance of Giles Proctor, international expert and David Michelmores, international coordinator of the Asia Urbs Project is taken as a model for preparing the reports of of ther sites. The staff of the DOA and the gave freely of their time.</i></p>	105
	<p>Was the questionnaire clear and did it help to comply with the reporting requirements of the State Party?</p> <p><i>More detailed instructions for the completion of the report would be helpful. Some abbreviation and elimination of duplication would also be beneficial.</i></p>	106
	<p>What are the perceived benefits and lessons learnt of the exercise?</p> <p><i>The reporting exercise has helped to identify the strengths and weakness of the management of the Monument Zone. In particular, it has helped to remind those responsible of the many successes of the last few years and it has inspire confidence in the future.</i></p>	107

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<p><b>II.8. continued</b></p> <p><i>It is all too easy to be pessimistic, but an exercise such as this demonstrates that there is much about which to be optimistic.</i></p>	
<p>Please describe the expected outcome of the Periodic Reporting exercise and the desired follow-up by the World Heritage Committee:</p> <p><i>The state party are confident that the report will demonstrate the great advances which have been made in the management and conservation of the Hanumandhoka Darbar Square Monument Zone and that this will help, in concert with the reports on the other Monument Zones which make up the Kathmandu World Heritage Site, to convince the World Heritage Committee that the Site is not in danger. Continued support will be necessary to maintain the advances of the last few years, in particular in training the staff of the statutory authorities and to assist with the conservation of individual monuments and buildings. However, the report demonstrates that we can look to the future with confidence.</i></p>	108

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## 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 boundary and buffer zone as well as the necessary detail of the property itself (see question 003 for specifications)
  - *See Annex – 1 & 8*
2. ( ) Photo of general view (aerial view) of the property
  - *See Annex – 7*
3. ( ) Illustrations of the state of conservation of the site (photographs, slides and, if available, film/videos)
  - *See Annex – 4 & 6*
4. ( ) Details of the important aspects of the property (landscapes, animal and vegetable species, monuments etc.)
5. ( ) Photos illustrating the main threats to the site and its surroundings
  - *See Annex – 6*
6. ( ) Extracts of relevant laws and regulations concerning the protection of cultural and natural heritage at national, provincial and municipal levels
  - *See Annex – 2*
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.)
  - *See Annex – 10*
8. ( ) Indicative bibliography
  - *See Annex – 11*

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## ANNEXES

Annex -1	:	Boundary of the Protected Monument Zone
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Annex-5	:	Leaflets
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Annex-10	:	Site Management plan.
Annex-11	:	Selected Bibliograph.

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## ANNEX- 1

### Maps Showing the Bounderies of Core & Buffer Zones

#### Kathmandu (Hanumandhoka) Protected Monument Zone

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## ANNEX- 2

Ancient Monument Preservation Act 2013 (1956 A.D)

Ancient Monument Preservation Rules – 2046 (1989 A.D)

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## ANNEX -3

### Organization Chart of DOA

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## ANNEX- 4

### Photographs

(Showing the Present Condition of the Monuments)

Hanumandhoka Darbar Square

ANNEX-5  
Leaflets  
Hanumandhoka

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ANNEX-6  
Audiovisual Compact Discs

HanumanDhoka Durbar Square  
An Introduction

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## ANNEX-7

# Aerial Photograph

(Showing Protected Monument Zones of Kathmandu Valley W.H.Sites)

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ANNEX-8

# Topographic Map of Kathmandu Valley

(Showing zones of Kathmandu Valley W.H.site)

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ANNEX-9

# Annual Progress Report of Conservation

UPDATED PROGRESS REPORT -2002

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## ANNEX- 10

# Site Management Plans

An outline of the Conceptual Masterplan of Hanumandhoka Area.

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## ANNEX- 11

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**PERIODIC REPORTING EXERCISE  
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**SECTION II**

**State of Conservation of specific World Heritage properties**

**State Party: NEPAL**

**Property Name: KATHMANDU VALLEY  
PASHUPATI MONUMENT ZONE**

## PERIODIC REPORTING FOR WELL PLANNED HERITAGE PRESERVATION

### Background

The twenty-ninth General Conference of UNESCO, held in 1997, decided to activate Article 29 of the World Heritage Convention concerning the submission of periodic reports on the state of implementation of the World Heritage Convention (Section I) and the State of Conservation of World Heritage properties (Section II). The national authorities are invited to report on Section I, while Section II shall be prepared for each property inscribed on the World Heritage list by the person(s) directly in charge of the property's management.

The periodic reports prepared by the States Parties will serve a three-fold purpose:

- ❖ to assess the current state of all World Heritage related issues in a State Party,
- ❖ to help focus the Committee's as well as the State Party's future activities and funds,
- ❖ to strengthen sub-regional and regional co-operation between States Parties.

### The Periodic Reporting Questionnaire

In 1998, at its twenty-second session, the World Heritage Committee approved *Explanatory Notes*, designed to be read in conjunction with the *Periodic Reporting Format*, in order to outline the information expected to flow from the periodic reporting exercise. To facilitate the preparation of the report, a *Questionnaire* was developed that the States Parties are encouraged to use. It closely follows the subjects referred to in the *Explanatory Notes*, but in contrast to the latter splits the subjects up into short questions to be answered in a few sentences or paragraphs. A second type of question requires the indication of YES or NO by circling or underlining the appropriate answer. All questions are clearly identified with a little number in the right hand column of the *Questionnaire*. To make the reporting results meaningful every one of these questions has to be answered. If no answer is possible, the reasons should be given. If the available space is not sufficient for the answer, the response should be continued on a separate sheet of paper, clearly indicating the number of the question the text refers to (e.g. 006).

### Benefits for the States Parties

The *Questionnaire* was developed in such a way as to allow to extract and compile or compare relevant information from different States Parties or properties, facilitating the process of preparing the regional synthesis report to be presented to the World Heritage Committee. The YES / NO questions make it possible to evaluate the reports quantitatively, but only the details that should be supplied in the related 'open question' make the answers meaningful and can be the basis for concerted actions to preserve a State Party's most valuable heritage for its transmission to future generations.

The information collected in this way will help the States Parties to assess their own strengths and weaknesses concerning the implementation of the World Heritage Convention, putting them in a position to (re)define policies and to request assistance in order to finance projects and / or training. On the other hand it allows the World Heritage Committee to collect information needed to devise *Regional Action Plans*, give well-informed advice to States Parties and to focus funds as well as attention on the region(s), States Parties and / or properties that need the collective support of the international community.

The preparation process of the regional periodic report will furthermore enhance regional co-operation through information meetings as well as through the better availability of regularly up-dated information on activities as well as contact addresses etc. The identification of the State Party's strengths makes it possible to exchange experiences and look for solutions to problems (e.g. of site conservation) within the region.

### **Conclusion**

Periodic Reporting is a participatory exercise, aiming to collect information on World Heritage related issues on a national as well as on the property level. The individual State Party reports will be collated into a regional synthesis report to be presented to the World Heritage Committee. This information will enhance cooperation between the Committee and the States Parties and allow to focus funds and activities more efficiently, allowing the States Parties to protect their most valuable heritage more effectively for transmission to future generations.

**PERIODIC REPORTING ON THE APPLICATION OF THE  
WORLD HERITAGE CONVENTION  
(FORMAT)**

**SECTION II: STATE OF CONSERVATION OF SPECIFIC WORLD HERITAGE PROPERTIES**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**II.1 Introduction**

- a. State Party
- b. Name of World Heritage property
- c. Geographical coordinates to the nearest second
- d. Date of inscription on the World Heritage List
- e. Organization(s) or entity(ies) responsible for the preparation of the report
- f. Date of report
- g. Signature on behalf of State Party

**II.2. Statement of significance**

**II.3. Statement of authenticity/integrity**

**II.4. Management**

**II.5. Factors affecting the property**

**II.6. Monitoring**

**II.7. Conclusions and recommended action**

- a. Main conclusions regarding the state of the World Heritage values of the property (see items II.2. and II.3. above)
- b. Main conclusions regarding the management and factors affecting the property (see Items II.4 and II.5. above)
- c. Proposed future action/actions
- d. Responsible implementing agency/agencies
- e. Timeframe for implementation
- f. Needs for international assistance.

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

**II.9. Documentation attached**

## II.1. Introduction

a.	Country (and State Party if different): <i>Nepal</i>	001
b.	Name of World Heritage property: <i>Kathmandu Valley WHS</i> <i>Pashupati Monument Zone</i>	002
c.	<p>In order to locate the property precisely, please attach a topographic map showing scale, orientation, projection, datum, site name, date 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 geographic information in digital form so that it can be integrated into a Geographic 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>Centre point:</p> <p>North-west corner: 27 43' 09"N</p> <p>South-east corner: 85 20' 12"E</p>	003
d.	Give the date of inscription on the World Heritage List and subsequent extension (if applicable): <i>1979</i>	004
e.	<p>Organization(s) or entity(ies) responsible for the preparation of this report.</p> <p>Organization(s) / entity(ies):</p> <p>Person(s) responsible: <i>Director General, Department of Archaeology</i></p> <p>Address: <i>Ramshah Path, Kathmandu, Nepal</i></p> <p>City and post code: <i>KATHMANDU</i></p> <p>Telephone: <i>977-1-250683, 250686, 250687</i></p> <p>Fax: <i>977-1-262856</i></p> <p>E-mail: <i>archaeology@infoclub.com.np</i></p>	005
f.	Date of preparation of the report: <i>November 2002</i>	006
g.	<p>Signature on behalf of the State Party</p> <p>Signature: .....</p> <p>Name: <i>Mrs. Shobha Shrestha</i></p> <p>Function: <i>Director General</i></p>	007

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## 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:</p> <p>Cultural criteria: i – ii – (iii) – (iv) – v – (vi)</p> <p>Natural criteria: i – ii – iii – iv</p> <p>Were new criteria added by re-nominating and/or extending the property after the original inscription? YES / (NO)</p> <p>If YES, please explain: <i>N/A</i></p>	<p>008</p> <p>009</p> <p>010</p>
<p>Please quote observations concerning the property made by the Advisory Body(ies) during the evaluation of the nomination:</p> <p><i>ICOMOS does not appear to have made any specific observations concerning the property at the time of inscription.</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):</p> <p><i>The comments of the World Heritage Committee at the time of inscription, if any, are not recorded.</i></p> <p>Identify the actions taken as follow-up to these observations and/or decisions:</p> <p><i>As no observations were made, no follow-up action was taken until after the 1993 UNESCO/ICOMOS Review Mission.</i></p>	<p>011</p> <p>012</p> <p>013</p>
<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 also detail what the property represents, what makes it outstanding, what the specific values are that distinguish the property as well as what its relationship with its setting is, etc.:</p> <p><i>The cultural heritage of the Kathmandu Valley, of outstanding universal value, is represented by seven groups of monuments and buildings which taken together as a multiple resource display the full array of historic and artistic achievement for which the Kathmandu Valley is world famous. The seven include the three Darbar Squares of Kathmandu, Patan and Bhaktapur, the two Buddhist stupas of Swayambhu and Baudhanath and the two Hindu temple complexes of Pashupati and Changu Narayan. The seven monument zones are not only architecturally rich, but form the setting for a vibrant and living intangible culture of artistic and craft activity and ritual practices. The zones form the background for the</i></p>	<p>014</p>

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<p><i>traditional way of life of the people of the Valley.</i> <b>II.2. continued</b></p>	
<p>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? YES / (NO)</p> <p>If YES, please explain: <i>N/A</i></p>	<p>015</p> <p>016</p>
<p>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: (YES) / NO</p> <p>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): <i>N/A</i></p>	<p>017</p> <p>018</p>
<p>Is the State Party actively considering a revision of the property boundaries or the buffer zone? YES / (NO)</p> <p>If YES, indicate what is being done to that end: <i>N/A</i></p>	<p>019</p> <p>020</p>

**II.3. Statement of authenticity / integrity**

<p>Have the World Heritage values identified above been maintained since the property's inscription? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If NO, please describe the changes and name the causes: <i>N/A</i></p>	<p>021</p> <p>022</p>
<p>What was the evaluation of the authenticity / integrity of the property at the time of inscription? (Please quote from the ICOMOS / IUCN evaluation):</p> <p><i>There is no record of the ICOMOS evaluation at the time of inscription.</i></p>	<p>023</p>
<p>Have there been changes in the authenticity / integrity since inscription? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If YES, please describe the changes to the authenticity / integrity and name the main causes?</p> <p><i>Within the Pashupatinath Monument Zone the principal religious and public monuments are</i></p>	<p>024</p> <p>025</p>

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<p><i>now in a better condition than at any time since inscription. The principal temples and Sattals (rest house) are in good repair. The minor religious buildings are mainly in good</i></p> <p><b>II.2. continued</b></p> <p><i>repair, although some further work will be necessary. The pollution of the Bagmati river in the Pashupatinath Monument Zone has been fully controlled. Clean and Clear water flows on now.</i></p> <p><i>Haihara Temple, Gurujyu Sattal, Panchadeval and other several monuments in this zone has been conserved and protected.</i></p> <p><i>However, as the World Heritage Committee is aware, the conservation of the traditional houses within the Monument Zone has proved to be more problematical. Since inscription a number of inappropriate private buildings of reinforced concrete constructed, resulting in the loss of examples of the historic architecture of the Valley, in some cases, damage to the setting of the monument zone. Recently the Pashupati Area Development Trust has demolished 92 such concrete houses to correct the damages and return the historic setting of the zone.</i></p> <p><i>The construction of modern designed houses resulted from the rapid growth of the population combined with the increasing wealth of many within the Monument Zone and their expectations of a higher quality of life. The legal and regulatory structures were not designed to cope with such pressures and were consequently virtually overwhelmed by the pressure of development. However, since the 1992 ICOMOS mission and report, subsequent reports, international financial support and technical cooperation, amendments to the protective legislation and greatly enhanced regulation and monitoring, the situation has been radically improved. In the last couple of years, the illegal demolition of houses within the Pashupatinath Monument Zone has not taken place, applications to demolish houses of historic interest have been resisted and the design and quality of new buildings has greatly improved. There is clear evidence of a greater understanding on the part of the people of Pashupatinath of the value and importance of their cultural heritage which, combined with continuing commitment of the regulatory authorities, will ensure that the successes of recent years are maintained and continued, safeguarding the surviving authenticity of the Monument Zone. It is already evident that the owners of some of the illegal concrete houses are aware of the degree to which they detract from the beauty and authenticity of the Monument Zone. Some propose to carry out corrective measures, such as refacing with traditional materials. The DOA, PDT and the Municipality propose to encourage (and enforce) others to carry out similar action, rectifying past damage.</i></p>	
<p>Are there (further) changes foreseeable to the authenticity / integrity of the property in the near future? YES / (NO)</p>	026
<p>If YES, please explain and indicate how these changes might affect the World Heritage values of the property: <i>N/A</i></p>	027

**II.4. Management**

<p>How could the arrangements for the protection and the management of the property best be defined (more than one indication possible)?</p> <p>Legal ( * )</p>	028
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	Contractual ( ) Traditional ( * )	
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**II.4. continued**

	<p>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:</p> <p><i>The preservation of the built heritage of the Kingdom is governed by the Ancient Monuments Preservation Act 2013 (1956 AD) and amendments and the Ancient Monument Preservation Regulations (1989). The seven zones of the World Heritage Site have been declared to be Protected Monument Zones under the Act.</i></p> <p><i>The operation of development control within this Monument Zone has been modified by the Pashupati Area Development Trust Act 2044 (1987) and Local Self Governance Act (1999), with the result that the Pashupatinath Area Development Trust and Metropolitan City are now closely involved in the process in conjunction with the DOA. The exact arrangements are described in 033. As described in 025, the revised management arrangements are proving to be increasingly effective, due in no small part to effective monitoring and the involvement of the local community in the conservation effort. The DOA, PADT and the Metropolitan City have also worked hard to encourage the local people to have a better appreciation of their buildings and the value of traditional architecture and repair methods. As a result, management of the Monument Zone has been significantly enhanced.</i></p>	029
	<p>In general terms, can this legislative, contractual and/or traditional protection be considered sufficient? <span style="float: right;">(YES) / NO</span></p>	030
	<p>Please explain:</p> <p><i>The legal arrangements for protection of the Monument Zone are now generally good. It is proposed to eliminate some overlaps in jurisdiction by means of a Sixth Amendment of the Ancient Monuments Preservation Act, although this is unlikely to have a significant impact upon the implementation of the Act.</i></p>	031
	<p>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, amongst others). Please also attach any documentation available concerning these points:</p> <p><i>Nepalese laws and regulations concerning the preservation of the cultural heritage are listed below. Summaries are attached as appendices.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>1. Ancient Monument Preservation Act 1956, Fifth Amendment 1996</i></li> <li><i>2. Ancient Monument Preservation Regulations 1989</i></li> <li><i>3. Guthi Sansthan Act 1966</i></li> <li><i>4. Local Self Governance Act 1999</i></li> <li><i>5. Construction Guidelines prescribed for the Protected Monument Zones.</i></li> <li><i>6. Pashupati Area Development Trust Act 2044 (1987)</i></li> </ol>	032

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<p>Describe the administrative and management arrangements that are in place for the property concerned, making special mention of the institutions 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:</p> <p>Overall legal protection of the Pashupatinath Monument Zone is the responsibility of the Department of Archaeology's Heritage Conservation Unit under the direction of the Chief of the World Heritage Management Division. Local monitoring is provided by the Pashupati Area Development Trust.</p> <p><i>Planning applications for development within the Monument Zone are referred by the Building Permits Section of Kathmandu Metropolitan City to the DOA. The DOA checks that the referred applications meet national norms for heritage protection and negotiates improvements or recommends refusal if appropriate. Approval or refusal is granted by the Metropolitan City in accordance with the DOA's recommendation.</i></p> <p><i>The Pashupati Area Development Trust is acting also, as a Heritage Information Centre in the site.</i></p>	033
<p>Please indicate under which level of authority the property is managed:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Local ( * ) Regional ( ) National ( * ) Other (please describe):</p>	034
<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>1. The Director General Department of Archaeology Ramshahpath, Kathmandu Phone: +977-1-250683 Fax: +977-1-262856 E-mail: <a href="mailto:archaeology@infoclub.com.np">archaeology@infoclub.com.np</a> Website: <a href="http://www.doa.gov.np">www.doa.gov.np</a></i></p> <p><i>2. The member Secretary Pashupati Area Development Trust Devapattan, Kathmandu</i></p>	035

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<p><i>Phone: +977-1-471828,470340,470575,472407</i> <i>Fax: +977-1-472962</i> <i>E-mail: <a href="mailto:padt@gaushala.com.np">padt@gaushala.com.np</a></i> <i>Website:</i></p> <p><b>II.4. continued</b></p> <p>3. <i>The Head of the Cultural and Tourism Department</i> <i>Kathmandu Metropolitan City</i> <i>Phone : +977-1-272110/270334</i> <i>Fax:</i> <i>E-mail:</i></p>	
<p>Is it necessary to revise the administrative and management arrangements for the property? (YES)/ NO</p> <p>If YES, explain why this is the case:</p> <p><i>Subject to further analysis, some revision to visitor management. would be desirable.</i></p>	<p>036</p> <p>037</p>
<p>Is there a management plan for the property? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If YES, please summarize, indicating if the plan is being implemented and since when: <i>The Pashupati Heritage Conservation Masterplan was approved by the relevant authorities in 1998. It makes recommendations for the improved management of the built heritage and open spaces within the whole of the protected monument zone.</i></p>	<p>038</p> <p>039</p>
<p>Please report on legal and administrative actions that are foreseen for the future, 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.): <i>Amendments to the protective legislation are proposed in order to resolve overlaps in institutions and jurisdiction to enhance future management of the Monument Zones. This proposal is currently under discussion by the concerned authorities.</i></p>	<p>040</p>
<p>Please provide detailed information, particularly in cases where changes have occurred since the inscription of the property, on the following matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Conservation</u> Make reference to all major interventions at the property and describe its present state of conservation:</li> </ul> <p><i>Thirteen individual monuments are listed in the original nomination dossier. These monuments represent only the most significant and do not include minor monuments and the private buildings which have been identified as worthy of preservation and which will be graded and Gazetted. Of the thirteen, virtually all are in good repair.</i></p> <p><i>The Bagmati river in the protected monument zone has been fully controlled from pollution. Clear and clean water flows on now.</i></p> <p><i>The Viswo rupa temple, Harihara temple, Gurujyu Sattal, Panchadeval and other several</i></p>	<p>041</p>

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<p><i>temples and Sattals (rest houses) has been repaired.</i></p> <p><i>The PADT has demolished 92 modern reinforced concrete houses within the monument zone to return the historic environment of the area.</i></p> <p><i>Various works of repair have been carried out to private houses at the expense of their owners.</i></p>	
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Ownership</u> Make reference to all major changes in ownership of the property and describe the present state of ownership:</li> </ul> <p><i>Ownership of the major monuments remains variously with the Pashupati Area Development Trust and the traditional guthis. The minor monuments, including the houses, are largely privately owned. Most remain with their traditional lineages.</i></p>	042
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<p>Please, give a detailed description of the staffing of the site:</p> <p><i>The DOA World Heritage Management Section has five members of staff and the Heritage Conservation Unit has a further eighteen posts, which includes four professional staff and twelve technical staff.</i></p> <p><i>The Cultural Heritage and Tourism Department of Kathmandu Metropolitan City has a staff 16 staffs, including technical post, not including the staff of the Building Permits Section</i></p> <p><i>The Pashupati Area Development Trust has enough staffs to monitor the site.</i></p>	043
<p>Is the staffing level sufficient for adequate management of the property? (YES) / NO</p>	044
<p>If NO, what should be done to improve the situation? N/A</p>	045

<p>Does the staff need additional training? (YES) / NO</p>	046
<p>If YES, what are the training needs for your staff?</p> <p><i>The staff of the DOA, Pashupati Area Development Trust and the Metropolitan City require training in monitoring and achieving compliance with the protective legislation. Training for DOA, PADT and City staff is required in the documentation and recording of the historic environment. Training in conservation and archaeological techniques to up-to-date international standards is also required.</i></p>	047

<p>Describe the funding and financial situation of the property, indication sources, level and regularity of financing:</p> <p><i>The DOA has an annual budget for conservation, this year of Rs 7,400,000 (US\$95,000) for the whole of the WHS. The PADT has funded environmental improvements and will support for conservation of the site.</i></p> <p><i>The Pancha Deval Sattal, Visworupa temple, Gurujya Sattal and other several monuments of the zone has been conserved by the Pashupati Area Development Trust under its own</i></p>	048
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	<p><i>budget.</i></p> <p><i>In the support of UNESCO, the landslide problem was studied and protection measures was taken during 1983-84.</i></p> <p><i>The tourist entrance fee produces an income for conservation and environmental projects and has scope for future development and reform.</i></p> <p><i>HMG Nepal has provided sufficient budget to the trust for Bagmati cleaning and other conservation project.</i></p> <p><b>II.4. continued</b></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>The funds available from all sources are largely sufficient for the conservation of the major monuments. A mechanism needs to be developed to provide financial support for the conservation and careful modernisation of the private houses of the Monument Zone, which form the bulk of the historic buildings and must be preserved if the integrity and authenticity of the Zone is to be retained.</i></p>	<p>049</p> <p>050</p>
	<p>Indicate International Assistance from which the property has benefited:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Heritage Fund:</li> </ul> <p><i>No any assistance is received for this monument zone.</i></p>	<p>051</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UNESCO International Campaign:</li> </ul> <p><i>The UNESCO International Campaign encompasses many of the conservation projects carried out between 1979 and 2001. It was an international awareness raising operation and it is not possible to identify the precise amount directly attributable to the Campaign as a whole, nor those for projects solely within the Pashupatinath Monument Zone. The Evaluation of the Campaign (UNESCO 2001) lists the projects carried out during the Campaign in appendix 2.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National and/or regional projects of UNDP, the World Bank or other agencies:</li> </ul> <p><i>No projects have been directly funded through UNDP.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bilateral co-operation:</li> </ul> <p><i>No any bilateral cooperation for this monument zone.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Other assistance:</li> </ul> <p><i>Other assistance, as described in 048, has been received from national Government and donors. The exact amounts involved have not been calculated.</i></p>	<p>052</p> <p>053</p> <p>054</p> <p>055</p>
	<p>Describe the IT (computer) equipment of the site and/or management office and assess its effectiveness:</p>	<p>056</p>

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	<p><i>The World Heritage Management Section of the DOA has one computer, the Pashupati Area Development Trust and The Cultural Heritage &amp; Tourism Department of Kathmandu Metropolitan City is also having the computer equipment.</i></p> <p>Are you using (multiple indications are possible):</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">PC ( * )</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Apple ( )</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Mainframe ( )</p> <p><b>II.4. continued</b></p> <p>Please, give the number of available computers:</p> <p><i>The DOA World Heritage Management Section has one computer.</i></p> <p>Does an operational access to the Internet exist? (YES) / NO</p> <p><i>In both the DOA and Kathmandu Metropolitan City.</i></p>	<p>057</p> <p>058</p> <p>059</p>
	<p>Is e-mail used for daily correspondence? (YES) / NO</p>	<p>060</p>
	<p>Is there a Geographical Information System (GIS) for the site? YES / (NO)</p> <p><i>An Urban Management Information System based on GIS and RDMS is established by Kathmandu Valley Mapping Programme (KVMP) of Kathmandu Metropolitan city.</i></p> <p>If YES, what software do you have and how is the GIS used? <i>N/A</i></p> <p><i>The software used in the programme are:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>1. Arc View 8.1 for Windows NT and 2000, 5 set</i></li> <li><i>2. ArcIMS 3.1 for Windows NT and Windows 2000, 1 sets</i></li> </ol> <p><i>The GIS and RDMS based system is used in preparing spatially related applications, and comprises of maps, related, attribute data and satellite imagery</i></p>	<p>061</p> <p>062</p>
	<p>List scientific studies and research programmes that have been conducted concerning the site:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>1. Inventorization of Public and private monuments of the zone</i></li> <li><i>2. A Master plan was prepared for the conservation and enhanced management of the monument zone.</i></li> </ol>	<p>063</p>
	<p>Describe financial and human resource inputs for the research programmes and or facilities:</p> <p><i>The research projects have been funded by HMG Nepal, and national donors.</i></p> <p>Describe how the information / results are disseminated?</p>	<p>064</p> <p>065</p>

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	<i>The information is disseminated by publication and through workshops, seminars, public lectures and exhibitions.</i>	
	<p>Are there any visitor statistics for the site? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If YES, please summarise the statistics and attach to this report:</p> <p><i>The Pashupati Area Development Trust estimates that, in a normal year, approximately 300,000 visit the Monument Zone.</i></p> <p><b>II.4. continued</b></p>	<p>066</p> <p>067</p>
	<p>What visitor facilities do you have at the property?</p> <p><i>Several facilities are being provided to the visitors to perform their religions rituals within the monument zone. Public transport is available to and from most parts of the Kathmandu Valley. As a vibrant urban area many privately owned shops, cafés, restaurants and guest houses which cater for visitors are found within the Monument Zone. Larger hotels are within easy reach.</i></p>	068
	<p>What visitor facilities are you in need of?</p> <p><i>Improvement of the facilities mentioned in 068.</i></p>	069
	<p>Is a public use plan (tourism / visitor management plan) in existence for the property? (YES) / NO</p>	070
	<p>If YES, please summarize, if NO explain if one is needed:</p> <p><i>The Pashupati Heritage Conservation Masterplan covers pilgramese issues and a related tourism strategy is being developed by the Pashupat Area Development Trust.</i></p>	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>A range of information leaflets, illustrated in colour, have been produced by the DOA, PADT and other bodies. These are published in English, Nepali and are distributed through PADT and the City Office and elsewhere.</i></p> <p><i>A carved bronze plaque provides information on the Monument Zone and its principal monuments in English and Nepali. Stone markers, indicating the boundaries of the Monument Zone, have been erected.</i></p> <p><i>Special events and exhibitions have been held, during the different religions occasions like Shivaratre.</i></p>	072
	<p>Are there educational programmes concerning the property aimed at schools? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If yes, please describe:</p>	<p>073</p> <p>074</p>

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	<i>A schools awareness programme, explaining the significance of the WHS, is being organised by the Pashupati Area Development Trust, in different occasions.</i>	
	<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>World Heritage status is widely publicised both nationally and internationally and is crucial for the recognition of the outstanding cultural value of the Kathmandu Valley. The publicity given to the WHS undoubtedly attracts a high proportion of the visitors to the Kingdom as a whole.</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, environmental pressure, natural disasters and preparedness, visitor / tourism pressure, number of inhabitants. Also mention all other issues that you see as problematic.</p> <p><i>As explained above, the Monument Zone is subject to significant pressure due to population growth and rapid economic development and consequential social change. As the Valley has become increasingly heavily populated the open farmland which surrounded the historic city at the time of inscription of the Monument Zone has been built over and the environment has been increasingly polluted.</i></p> <p><i>The whole Valley is an area of high earthquake risk and the Pashupati Area received damage at modified Mercalli Scale IX in 1934. Some earthquake strengthening using traditional methods has already been undertaken to counter future risk.</i></p> <p><i>The Monument Zone has the capacity to accommodate significantly higher visitor numbers than at present.</i></p>	076
	<p>Is there an emergency plan and / or risk preparedness plan for the property in existence? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If YES, please summarise the plan and provide a copy:</p> <p><i>The housing and planning Department of HMG/Nepal is implementing the Nepal Building Code which is designed to mitigate the risk of earthquake damage.</i></p> <p>If NO, describe what is being done – and by whom – to counteract the dangers that threaten or may threaten the property: <i>N/A</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>The recent successes of the DOA, PADT and the Metropolitan City in resisting illegal development within the Monument Zone need to be maintained. Winning the hearts and minds of the citizens for the conservation of their city will be crucial for this work.</i></p>	080
	<p>Give an indication if the impact of the factors affecting the property is increasing or decreasing:</p>	081

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<p><i>As explained, due to the diligence of the regulatory authorities the detrimental factors affecting the property are decreasing.</i></p>	
<p>What actions have been effectively taken, or are planned for the future, to address the factors affecting the property?</p> <p><i>Increased training of staff responsible for monitoring the Monument Zone is planned.</i></p> <p><i>Regular monitoring of the Monument Zone is being undertaken.</i></p> <p><i>Support is being provided by HM Government for house owners through the provision of subsidised timber and traditional bricks. 10% of the total cost of traditional construction is borne by HMG.</i></p>	082

## II.6. Monitoring

<p>If applicable, give details (e.g. dates, results, indicators chosen) of any previous periodic or reactive monitoring exercises of the property:</p> <p><i>In 1993 a joint UNESCO/ICOMOS Review Mission defined Sixteen Points of Concern. From 1994 annual monitoring reports were submitted by HMG to the World Heritage Committee to demonstrate compliance with the Sixteen Points.</i></p> <p><i>In 1998 a UNESCO/ICOMOS/HMG Joint Mission made 55 recommendations and defined a time-bound action plan of corrective measures. Subsequent monitoring reports have demonstrated the success of the authorities in implementing the recommendations.</i></p>	083
<p>Is there a formal monitoring system established for the site? (YES) / NO</p>	084
<p>If YES, please give details of its organization:</p> <p><b>1. National High Level Monitoring Committee</b></p> <p><i>To monitor the implementation of the time-bound Action Plan recommended by the UNESCO/ICOMOS/HMG Nepal Joint Mission, a High Level Monitoring Committee has been established under the chairmanship of the Honourable Minister for Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation. The Secretary and Joint Secretary of the ministry, the mayors of Kathmandu Metropolitan City, Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City and Bhaktapur Municipality and the Chief District Officers of Kathmandu, Lalitpur and Bhaktapur are members. The Member Secretary of the Committee is the Director General of the DOA. The Committee meets every month to monitor and evaluate implementation of the Action Plan and has been effective in ensuring enhanced conservation of the WHS.</i></p> <p><b>2. World Heritage Management Division</b></p> <p><i>This is one of the seven divisions of the DOA and is dedicated to the management, monitoring and reporting of the state of preservation of the WHS.</i></p>	085

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	<p><b>3. Heritage Conservation Unit</b> <i>The Unit is part of the DOA and advises on the conservation of the Monument Zone.</i></p> <p><b>4. Kathmandu Metropolitan City</b> <i>The Building Permits Section and Cultural Heritage and Tourism Department of the City are involved with monitoring of the Monument Zone on a local level.</i></p> <p><b>5. Pashupati Area Development Trust</b> <i>is involved with monitoring of the Monument Zone on site level.</i></p>	
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	<p>If not already in place, is the establishment of a formal monitoring system planned? YES / NO</p> <p><i>N/A</i></p>	086
	<p>If YES, please outline the functioning of that system, taking into consideration the key indicators you will be asked to define below (see 089 / 090):</p> <p><i>N/A</i></p>	087
	<p>Are there any indicators established for monitoring the state of conservation of the property? YES / (NO)</p>	088
	<p>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: <i>N/A</i></p>	089
	<p>If NO indicators have been identified and / or used so far, please define key indicators for future use in monitoring:</p> <p><i>A system of indicators is under consideration. Key indicators are likely to be:</i></p> <p><i>Refusal/granting of demolition permits</i></p> <p><i>Illegal development and enforcement action</i></p> <p><i>Repair grants given</i></p> <p><i>Repairs undertaken</i></p> <p><i>New buildings constructed in accordance with approved plans</i></p> <p><i>Numbers of buildings at risk</i></p> <p><i>Property value/added value</i></p> <p><i>Monitoring will be assisted by the listing of all monuments in the Monument Zone in three grades. It will be possible to use this list and the inventory descriptions as a base line, allowing change to be monitored and recorded.</i></p>	090

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Indicate which partners, if any, are involved or will be involved in the regular monitoring exercise:	091
<i>The DOA, PADT and the Metropolitan City will be involved in regular monitoring.</i>	
Identify the administrative provisions for organizing the regular monitoring of the property:	092
<i>The monitoring arrangements are described in 085.</i>	
Describe what improvement the State Party foresees or would consider desirable in improving the monitoring system:	093
<i>Apart from establishing Key Indicators, better training, particularly of site staff, would be desirable. The site Office also requires a computer and E-mail in order to be fully effective.</i>	
<b>II.6. continued</b>	
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 the actions that have been taken in response to the observations or decisions made by the Bureau or Committee. Give details, if applicable:	094
<i>As described in 085, a National High Level Monitoring Committee has been established to ensure that the 55 recommendations of the 1988 Joint Mission are implemented. An expert committee has also been established to grade the monuments in accordance with the recommendations and the ICOMOS guidelines.</i>	

**II.7. Conclusions and recommended actions**

Please summarize the main conclusions regarding the state of the World Heritage values of the property (see items II.2. and II.3. above):	095
<i>Although the World Heritage Values of the Monument Zone are largely unchanged since the time of Inscription (021) and the major monuments are generally in a better state than at any time since inscription, the authenticity and integrity of the site has been damaged by demolition and redevelopment of private houses which the statutory authorities were unable to control. The legal and regulatory provisions have now been overhauled, resulting in greatly enhanced management of the zone and preventing further erosion of its integrity. To correct such damages 92 redeveloped or modern designed concrete houses has recently been demolished to return the authenticity and integrity of the zone. Conservation projects for a number of private historic houses within the Monument Zone should help to recover some of the losses of the 1990s.</i>	
Please summarize the main conclusions regarding the management and factors affecting the property (see items II.4. and II.5. above):	096

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<p><i>The improved handling of planning applications, involving the DOA, PADT and Metropolitan City, has made the system more effective and responsive. Greater empowerment at local level has increased the commitment of local people to conservation.</i></p> <p><i>Now that the conservation of the major monuments is largely complete, attention has turned to the minor monuments and private houses. The mechanisms for directing financial support to private owners need to be made more effective in order to provide further incentives (050).</i></p>	
<p>Give an overview over proposed future action / actions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>The monuments in the Monument Zone will be graded and the list of Protected Monuments will be Gazetted.</i></li>   <li>3. <i>A system of key indicators will be established to allow better direction of monitoring efforts within the monument zone.</i></li> </ol> <p><b>II.6. continued</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. <i>Further support will be given to house owners to encourage the conservation of traditional buildings.</i></li> <li>4. <i>Programmes directed at the education of local people and visitors as to the benefits of conservation will be extended.</i></li> </ol>	097
<p>Name the agency responsible for implementation of these actions (if different from 005): As 05 and as 035 (2).</p>	098
<p>Give a timeframe for the implementation of the actions described above:</p> <p><i>Action 1 will be carried out in line with the Time-Bound Action Plan of the 55 Recommendations of the 1998 Joint Mission. 2 will be developed during the next year.3 and 4 will be ongoing.</i></p>	099

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<p>Indicate for which of the planned activities International Assistance from the World Heritage Fund may be needed (if any):</p> <p><i>Further support for staff training would be desirable.</i></p>	100
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<p>Are there any contacts with management units of other properties within or outside your country? (YES) / NO</p>	101
<p>If YES, please explain:</p>	102

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<p><i>The Pashupati Area Development Trust and the Kathmandu Metropolitan City also has contacts with the authorities for the other Monument Zones</i></p>	
<p>Please indicate which experience made during the periodic reporting exercise and/or during the on-going conservation / protection efforts of the property could be shared with other States Parties dealing with similar problems or issues:</p> <p><i>The experience of managing historic sites in a rapidly changing urban environment would be of particular value to other State Parties, particularly in developing countries.</i></p>	103
<p>Provide the name(s) and address(es) of organization(s) or specialist(s) who could be contacted for this purpose:</p> <p><i>As 035.</i></p>	104

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

<p>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.)?</p> <p><i>The Section II Report of Patan Monument Zone was prepared with the assistance of Giles Proctor, international expert and David Michelmore, international coordinator of the Asia Urbs Project which is taken as a model in preparing this report. The staff of the DOA and the concerning site managers gave their time sufficiently.</i></p>	105
<p>Was the questionnaire clear and did it help to comply with the reporting requirements of the State Party?</p> <p><i>More detailed instructions for the completion of the report would be helpful. Some abbreviation and elimination of duplication would also be beneficial.</i></p>	106
<p>What are the perceived benefits and lessons learnt of the exercise?</p> <p><i>The reporting exercise has helped to identify the strengths and weakness of the management of the Monument Zone. In particular, it has helped to remind those responsible of the many successes of the last few years and it has inspired confidence in the future. It is all too easy to be pessimistic, but an exercise such as this demonstrates that there is much about which to be optimistic.</i></p>	107
<p>Please describe the expected outcome of the Periodic Reporting exercise and the desired follow-up by the World Heritage Committee:</p>	108

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*The state party is confident that the report will demonstrate the great advances which have been made in the management and conservation of the Swayambhunath Monument Zone and that this will help, in concert with the reports on the other Monument Zones which make up the Kathmandu World Heritage Site, to convince the World Heritage Committee that the Site is not in danger. Continued support will be necessary to maintain the advances of the last few years, in particular in training the staff of the statutory authorities and to assist with the conservation of individual monuments and buildings. However, the report demonstrates that we can look to the future with confidence.*

## 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 boundary and buffer zone as well as the necessary detail of the property itself (see question 003 for specifications)
  - *See Annex – I of this report for boundary of the Monument Zones.*
  - *See Annex-8 of the report of Kathmandu (Hanumandhoka) Darbar Square for General Location.*
2. ( ) Photo of general view (aerial view) of the property
  - *See Annex-7*
3. ( ) Illustrations of the state of conservation of the site (photographs, slides and, if available, film/videos)
  - *See Annex-4, and Annex -6*
4. ( ) Details of the important aspects of the property (landscapes, animal and vegetable species, 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
  - *See Annex-2 of this exercise of Kathmandu (Hanumandhoka) Darbar Square for Monument Zone.*
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.)
  - *See Annex-10*
8. ( ) Indicative bibliography
  - *See Annex-11*

## ANNEXES

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Annex -1	:	Boundary of the Protected Monument Zone
Annex-2	:	Ancient Monument Preservation Act 2013 (1956 AD)
	:	Ancient Monument Preservation
	:	Rules 2046 (1989 AD)
Annex-3 :	:	Organization Chart of DOA
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Annex-5	:	Leaflets
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Annex -7	:	Aerial photograph, showing the WH Site.
Annex-8	:	Topographic Map of Kathmandu Valley (Showing 7 Zones of Kathmandu Valley W.H. Site).
Annex-9	:	Annual Progress Report of Conservation.
Annex-10	:	Site Management plan.
Annex-11	:	Selected Bibliograph.

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## ANNEX- 1

### Map Showing the Boundary of

### Pashupati Nath Protected Monument Zone

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## ANNEX- 2

Ancient Monument Preservation Act 2013 (1956 A.D)

Ancient Monument Preservation Rules – 2046 (1989 A.D)

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## ANNEX -3

### Organization Chart of DOA

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## ANNEX- 4

### Photographs

(Showing the Present Condition of the Monuments)

Pashupatinath

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**ANNEX-5**  
**Leaflets**  
**Pashupatinath**

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ANNEX-6  
Audiovisual Compact Discs

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## ANNEX-7

# Aerial Photograph

(Showing Protected Monument Zones of Kathmandu Valley W.H.Sites)

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ANNEX-8

# Topographic Map of Kathmandu Valley

(Showing zones of Kathmandu Valley W.H.site)

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ANNEX-9

# Annual Progress Report of Conservation

UPDATED PROGRESS REPORT -2002

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## ANNEX- 10

# Site Management Plans

An outline of the Conceptual Masterplan of Pashupati Area.

## ANNEX- 11

# Bibliography

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**SECTION II**

**State of Conservation of specific World Heritage properties**

**State Party: NEPAL**

**Property Name: .KATHMANDU VALLEY**

**SWAYAMBHUNATH MONUMENT ZONE**

## PERIODIC REPORTING FOR WELL PLANNED HERITAGE PRESERVATION

### Background

The twenty-ninth General Conference of UNESCO, held in 1997, decided to activate Article 29 of the World Heritage Convention concerning the submission of periodic reports on the state of implementation of the World Heritage Convention (Section I) and the State of Conservation of World Heritage properties (Section II). The national authorities are invited to report on Section I, while Section II shall be prepared for each property inscribed on the World Heritage list by the person(s) directly in charge of the property's management.

The periodic reports prepared by the States Parties will serve a three-fold purpose:

- ❖ to assess the current state of all World Heritage related issues in a State Party,
- ❖ to help focus the Committee's as well as the State Party's future activities and funds,
- ❖ to strengthen sub-regional and regional co-operation between States Parties.

### The Periodic Reporting Questionnaire

In 1998, at its twenty-second session, the World Heritage Committee approved *Explanatory Notes*, designed to be read in conjunction with the *Periodic Reporting Format*, in order to outline the information expected to flow from the periodic reporting exercise. To facilitate the preparation of the report, a *Questionnaire* was developed that the States Parties are encouraged to use. It closely follows the subjects referred to in the *Explanatory Notes*, but in contrast to the latter splits the subjects up into short questions to be answered in a few sentences or paragraphs. A second type of question requires the indication of YES or NO by circling or underlining the appropriate answer. All questions are clearly identified with a little number in the right hand column of the *Questionnaire*. To make the reporting results meaningful every one of these questions has to be answered. If no answer is possible, the reasons should be given. If the available space is not sufficient for the answer, the response should be continued on a separate sheet of paper, clearly indicating the number of the question the text refers to (e.g. 006).

### Benefits for the States Parties

The *Questionnaire* was developed in such a way as to allow to extract and compile or compare relevant information from different States Parties or properties, facilitating the process of preparing the regional synthesis report to be presented to the World Heritage Committee. The YES / NO questions make it possible to evaluate the reports quantitatively, but only the details that should be supplied in the related 'open question' make the answers meaningful and can be the basis for concerted actions to preserve a State Party's most valuable heritage for its transmission to future generations.

The information collected in this way will help the States Parties to assess their own strengths and weaknesses concerning the implementation of the World Heritage Convention, putting them in a position to (re)define policies and to request assistance in order to finance projects and / or training. On the other hand it allows the World Heritage Committee to collect information needed to devise *Regional Action Plans*, give well-informed advice to States Parties and to focus funds as well as attention on the region(s), States Parties and / or properties that need the collective support of the international community.

The preparation process of the regional periodic report will furthermore enhance regional co-operation through information meetings as well as through the better availability of regularly up-dated information on activities as well as contact addresses etc. The identification of the State Party's strengths makes it possible to exchange experiences and look for solutions to problems (e.g. of site conservation) within the region.

### **Conclusion**

Periodic Reporting is a participatory exercise, aiming to collect information on World Heritage related issues on a national as well as on the property level. The individual State Party reports will be collated into a regional synthesis report to be presented to the World Heritage Committee. This information will enhance cooperation between the Committee and the States Parties and allow to focus funds and activities more efficiently, allowing the States Parties to protect their most valuable heritage more effectively for transmission to future generations.

**PERIODIC REPORTING ON THE APPLICATION OF THE  
WORLD HERITAGE CONVENTION  
(FORMAT)**

**SECTION II: STATE OF CONSERVATION OF SPECIFIC WORLD HERITAGE PROPERTIES**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**II.1 Introduction**

- a. State Party
- b. Name of World Heritage property
- c. Geographical coordinates to the nearest second
- d. Date of inscription on the World Heritage List
- e. Organization(s) or entity(ies) responsible for the preparation of the report
- f. Date of report
- g. Signature on behalf of State Party

**II.2. Statement of significance**

**II.3. Statement of authenticity/integrity**

**II.4. Management**

**II.5. Factors affecting the property**

**II.6. Monitoring**

**II.7. Conclusions and recommended action**

- a. Main conclusions regarding the state of the World Heritage values of the property (see items II.2. and II.3. above)
- b. Main conclusions regarding the management and factors affecting the property (see Items II.4 and II.5. above)
- c. Proposed future action/actions
- d. Responsible implementing agency/agencies
- e. Timeframe for implementation
- f. Needs for international assistance.

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

**II.9. Documentation attached**



## II.1. Introduction

a.	Country (and State Party if different): <i>Nepal</i>	001
b.	Name of World Heritage property: <i>Kathmandu Valley WHS</i> <i>Swayambhunath Monument Zone</i>	002
c.	<p>In order to locate the property precisely, please attach a topographic map showing scale, orientation, projection, datum, site name, date 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 geographic information in digital form so that it can be integrated into a Geographic 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>Centre point:</p> <p>North-west corner: 27 42' 52.90"N</p> <p>South-east corner: 85 17' 33.85"E</p>	003
d.	Give the date of inscription on the World Heritage List and subsequent extension (if applicable): <i>1979</i>	004
e.	<p>Organization(s) or entity(ies) responsible for the preparation of this report.</p> <p>Organization(s) / entity(ies):</p> <p>Person(s) responsible: <i>Director General, Department of Archaeology</i></p> <p>Address: <i>Ramshah Path, Kathmandu, Nepal</i></p> <p>City and post code: <i>KATHMANDU</i></p> <p>Telephone: <i>977-1-250683, 250686, 250687</i></p> <p>Fax: <i>977-1-262856</i></p> <p>E-mail: <i>archaeology@infoclub.com.np</i></p>	005
f.	Date of preparation of the report: <i>November 2002</i>	006
g.	<p>Signature on behalf of the State Party</p> <p>Signature: .....</p> <p>Name: <i>Mrs. Shobha Shrestha</i></p> <p>Function: <i>Director General</i></p>	007

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## 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:</p> <p>Cultural criteria: i – ii – (iii) – (iv) – v – (vi)</p> <p>Natural criteria: i – ii – iii – iv</p>	008
<p>Were new criteria added by re-nominating and/or extending the property after the original inscription? YES / (NO)</p>	009
<p>If YES, please explain: <i>N/A</i></p>	010
<p>Please quote observations concerning the property made by the Advisory Body(ies) during the evaluation of the nomination:</p> <p><i>ICOMOS does not appear to have made any specific observations concerning the property at the time of inscription.</i></p>	011
<p>Quote the decisions and observations / recommendations, if appropriate, made by the World Heritage Committee at the time of inscription and extension (if applicable):</p> <p><i>The comments of the World Heritage Committee at the time of inscription, if any, are not recorded.</i></p>	012
<p>Identify the actions taken as follow-up to these observations and/or decisions:</p> <p><i>As no observations were made, no follow-up action was taken until after the 1993 UNESCO/ICOMOS Review Mission.</i></p>	013

### II.2. continued

<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 also detail what the property represents, what makes it outstanding, what the specific values are that distinguish the property as well as what its relationship with its setting is, etc.:</p> <p><i>The cultural heritage of the Kathmandu Valley, of outstanding universal value, is represented by seven groups of monuments and buildings which taken together as a multiple resource display the full array of historic and artistic achievement for which the Kathmandu Valley is world famous. The seven include the three Darbar Squares of Kathmandu, Patan and Bhaktapur, the two Buddhist stupas of Swayambhu and Baudghanath and the two</i></p>	014
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<p><i>Hindu temple complexes of Pashupati and Changu Narayan. The seven monument zones are not only architecturally rich, but form the setting for a vibrant and living intangible culture of artistic and craft activity and ritual practices. The zones form the background for the traditional way of life of the people of the Valley.</i></p>	
<p>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? YES / (NO)</p>	015
<p>If YES, please explain: <i>N/A</i></p>	016
<p>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: (YES) / NO</p>	017
<p>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): <i>N/A</i></p>	018

**II.2. continued**

<p>Is the State Party actively considering a revision of the property boundaries or the buffer zone? YES / (NO)</p>	019
<p>If YES, indicate what is being done to that end: <i>N/A</i></p>	020

**II.3. Statement of authenticity / integrity**

<p>Have the World Heritage values identified above been maintained since the property's inscription? (YES) / NO</p>	021
<p>If NO, please describe the changes and name the causes: <i>N/A</i></p>	022
<p>What was the evaluation of the authenticity / integrity of the property at the time of inscription? (Please quote from the ICOMOS / IUCN evaluation):  <i>There is no record of the ICOMOS evaluation at the time of inscription.</i></p>	023

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**II.3. continued**

<p>Have there been changes in the authenticity / integrity since inscription? (YES) / NO</p>	024
<p>If YES, please describe the changes to the authenticity / integrity and name the main causes?</p>	025
<p><i>Within the Swayambhunath Monument Zone the principal religious and public monuments are now in a better condition than at any time since inscription. The principal stupa and temples are in good repair. The minor religious buildings are mainly in good repair, although some further work will be necessary. The landslide problem in the Swayambhu hill was studied and necessary protection measures had been taken in the support of UNESCO. Sanitation and water supply system was improved in the support of German Government through UDLE (Urban Development through Local Effort). The Shantipur and Harati temples have been conserved authentically. Stone Steps leading to the top of the hill and the stone pavements around the main stupa has been properly restored. To return the original environment in the hilltop façade of several private houses has been and is being reformed. However, as the World Heritage Committee is aware, the conservation of the traditional houses within the Monument Zone has proved to be more problematical. Since inscription a number of inappropriate private buildings of reinforced concrete constructed, resulting in the loss of examples of the historic architecture of the Valley, in some cases, damage to the setting of the monument zone.</i></p> <p><i>The construction of modern designed houses resulted from the rapid growth of the population combined with the increasing wealth of many within the Monument Zone and their expectations of a higher quality of life. The legal and regulatory structures were not designed to cope with such pressures and were consequently virtually overwhelmed by the pressure of development. However, since the 1992 ICOMOS mission and report, subsequent reports, international financial support and technical cooperation, amendments to the protective legislation and greatly enhanced regulation and monitoring, the situation has been radically improved. In the last couple of years, the illegal demolition of houses within the Swayambhunath Monument Zone has not taken place, applications to demolish houses of historic interest have been resisted and the design and quality of new buildings has greatly improved. There is clear evidence of a greater understanding on the part of the people of Swayambhunath of the value and importance of their cultural heritage which, combined with continuing commitment of the regulatory authorities, will ensure that the successes of recent years are maintained and continued, safeguarding the surviving authenticity of the Monument Zone. It is already evident that the owners of some of the illegal concrete houses are aware of the degree to which they detract from the beauty and authenticity of the Monument Zone. Some propose to carry out corrective measures, such as refacing with traditional materials. The DOA and the Municipality propose to encourage (and enforce) others to carry out similar action, rectifying past damage.</i></p>	
<p>Are there (further) changes foreseeable to the authenticity / integrity of the property in the near future? YES / (NO)</p>	026
<p>If YES, please explain and indicate how these changes might affect the World Heritage values of the property: <i>N/A</i></p>	027

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## II.4. Management

	<p>How could the arrangements for the protection and the management of the property best be defined (more than one indication possible)?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Legal ( * ) Contractual ( ) Traditional ( * )</p>	028
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### II.4. continued

	<p>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:</p> <p><i>The preservation of the built heritage of the Kingdom is governed by the Ancient Monuments Preservation Act 2013 (1956 AD) and amendments and the Ancient Monument Preservation Regulations (1989). The seven zones of the World Heritage Site have been declared to be Protected Monument Zones under the Act.</i></p> <p><i>The operation of development control within this Monument Zone has been modified by the Local Self Governance Act (1999), with the result that the Metropolitan City are now closely involved in the process in conjunction with the DOA. The exact arrangements are described in 033. As described in 025, the revised management arrangements are proving to be increasingly effective, due in no small part to effective monitoring and the involvement of the local community in the conservation effort. The DOA and the Metropolitan City have also worked hard to encourage the local people to have a better appreciation of their buildings and the value of traditional architecture and repair methods. As a result, management of the Monument Zone has been significantly enhanced.</i></p>	029
	<p>In general terms, can this legislative, contractual and/or traditional protection be considered sufficient? <span style="float: right;">(YES) / NO</span></p>	030
	<p>Please explain:</p> <p><i>The legal arrangements for protection of the Monument Zone are now generally good. It is proposed to eliminate some overlaps in jurisdiction by means of a Sixth Amendment of the Ancient Monuments Preservation Act, although this is unlikely to have a significant impact upon the implementation of the Act.</i></p>	031
	<p>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, amongst others). Please also attach any documentation available concerning these points:</p> <p><i>Nepalese laws and regulations concerning the preservation of the cultural heritage are listed below. Summaries are attached as appendices.</i></p>	032

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<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>Ancient Monument Preservation Act 1956, Fifth Amendment 1996</i></li> <li>2. <i>Ancient Monument Preservation Regulations 1989</i></li> <li>3. <i>Guthi Sansthan Act 1966</i></li> <li>4. <i>Local Self Governance Act 1999</i></li> <li>5. <i>Construction Guidelines prescribed for the Protected Monument Zones.</i></li> </ol>	
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**II.4. continued**

<p>Describe the administrative and management arrangements that are in place for the property concerned, making special mention of the institutions 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:</p> <p><i>Overall legal protection of the Swayambhunath Monument Zone is the responsibility of the Department of Archaeology's Heritage Conservation Unit under the direction of the Chief of the World Heritage Management Division. Local monitoring is provided by the Federation of Swayambhu Management and Conservation .</i></p> <p><i>Planning applications for development within the Monument Zone are referred by the Building Permits Section of Kathmandu Metropolitan City to the DOA. The DOA checks that the referred applications meet national norms for heritage protection and negotiates improvements or recommends refusal if appropriate. Approval or refusal is granted by the Metropolitan City in accordance with the DOA's recommendation.</i></p> <p><i>The Federation of Swayambhu Management and Conservation is acting also, as a Heritage Information Centre.</i></p>	033
<p>Please indicate under which level of authority the property is managed:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Local ( * ) Regional ( ) National ( * ) Other (please describe):</p>	034
<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>1. The Director General Department of Archaeology Ramshahpath, Kathmandu</i></p>	035

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<p>Is it necessary to revise the administrative and management arrangements for the property? (YES)/ NO</p> <p>If YES, explain why this is the case:</p> <p><i>Subject to further analysis, some revision to visitor management, including increasing the effectiveness of the Tourist Entry Charge, would be desirable. The revenue generated by the Entry Charge has great potential for enhancing the conservation and management of the Monument Zone, as well as providing tangible evidence of the value of heritage conservation to the economy of the city due to the revenue which should accrue.</i></p>	<p>036</p> <p>037</p>

**II.4. continued**

<p>Is there a management plan for the property? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If YES, please summarize, indicating if the plan is being implemented and since when: <i>The Swayambhu Heritage Conservation Masterplan was published in 1989 with the support of GTZ and approved by the relevant authorities in 1989. It makes recommendations for the improved management of the built heritage and open spaces within the whole of mound.</i></p>	<p>038</p> <p>039</p>
<p>Please report on legal and administrative actions that are foreseen for the future, 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>Amendments to the protective legislation are proposed in order to resolve overlaps in institutions and jurisdiction to enhance future management of the Monument Zones. This proposal is currently under discussion by the concerned authorities.</i></p>	<p>040</p>

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<p>Please provide detailed information, particularly in cases where changes have occurred since the inscription of the property, on the following matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Conservation</u> Make reference to all major interventions at the property and describe its present state of conservation:</li> </ul> <p><i>Twelve individual monuments are listed in the original nomination dossier. These monuments represent only the most significant and do not include minor monuments and the private buildings which have been identified as worthy of preservation and which will be graded and Gazetted. Of the twelve, virtually all are in good repair.</i></p> <p><i>Water supply and sanitation system was improved in support of German Govt. through UDLE</i></p> <p><i>In the support of UNESCO, the landslide problem was studied and protection measures was taken during 1983-84.</i></p> <p><i>Facade of two private houses, two rest houses and two Viharas has been reformed with the tripartite (DOA, FSMC, and Owner) Collaboration and further three private houses are being reformed. So as different conservation works as mentioned in 025 have been done.</i></p> <p><i>. Various works of repair have been carried out to private houses at the expense of their owners.</i></p>	041
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**II.4. continued**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Ownership</u> Make reference to all major changes in ownership of the property and describe the present state of ownership:</li> </ul> <p><i>Ownership of the major monuments remains variously with the DOA and the traditional guthis. The minor monuments, including the houses, are largely privately owned. Most remain with their traditional lineages.</i></p>	042
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<p>Please, give a detailed description of the staffing of the site:</p> <p><i>The DOA World Heritage Management Section has five members of staff and the Heritage Conservation Unit has a further eighteen posts, which includes four professional staff and twelve technical staff.</i></p> <p><i>The Cultural Heritage and Tourism Department of Kathmandu Metropolitan City have 16 staffs, including technical and professionals .</i></p>	043
<p>Is the staffing level sufficient for adequate management of the property? (YES) / NO</p>	044
<p>If NO, what should be done to improve the situation? N/A</p>	045

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	Does the staff need additional training? (YES) / NO	046
	<p>If YES, what are the training needs for your staff?</p> <p><i>The staff of both the DOA and the Metropolitan City require training in monitoring and achieving compliance with the protective legislation. Training for DOA and City staff is required in the documentation and recording of the historic environment. Training in conservation and archaeological techniques to up-to-date international standards is also required.</i></p>	047
	<p>Describe the funding and financial situation of the property, indication sources, level and regularity of financing:</p> <p><i>The DOA has an annual budget for conservation, this year of Rs 7,400,000 (US\$95,000) for the whole of the WHS. Within the Swayambhunath Monument Zone the Metropolitan City and Federation of Swayambhu Management and Conservation has funded environmental improvements and will support for conservation of the site.</i></p> <p><i>Water supply and sanitation system was improved in support of German Govt. through VDLE</i></p> <p><i>In the support of UNESCO, the landslide problem was studied and protection measures was taken during 1983-84.</i></p> <p><i>The tourist entrance fee produces an income for conservation and environmental projects and has scope for future development and reform.</i></p>	048
	Is the available funding sufficient for adequate management of the property? YES / (NO)	049
	<p>If NOT, describe the financial resources that would be required for the management of the property:</p> <p><i>The funds available from all sources are largely sufficient for the conservation of the major monuments. A mechanism needs to be developed to provide financial support for the conservation and careful modernisation of the private houses of the Monument Zone, which form the bulk of the historic buildings and must be preserved if the integrity and authenticity of the Zone is to be retained.</i></p>	050
	<p>Indicate International Assistance from which the property has benefited:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Heritage Fund:</li> </ul> <p><i>Landslide problem was studied and protective measures was taken in the support of UNESCO in 1983/1984</i></p>	051

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UNESCO International Campaign:</li> </ul> <p><i>The UNESCO International Campaign encompasses many of the conservation projects carried out between 1979 and 2001. It was an international awareness raising operation and it is not possible to identify the precise amount directly attributable to the Campaign as a whole, nor those for projects solely within the Swayambhunath Monument Zone. The Evaluation of the Campaign (UNESCO 2001) lists the projects carried out during the Campaign in appendix 2.</i></p>	052
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National and/or regional projects of UNDP, the World Bank or other agencies:</li> </ul> <p><i>No projects have been directly funded through UNDP.</i></p>	053
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bilateral co-operation:</li> </ul> <p>Water Supply and Sanitation system was improved in the support of German Government through UDLE.</p>	054
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Other assistance:</li> </ul> <p><i>Other assistance, as described in 048, has been received from national and international donors. The exact amounts involved have not been calculated.</i></p>	055

<p>Describe the IT (computer) equipment of the site and/or management office and assess its effectiveness:</p> <p><i>The World Heritage Management Section of the DOA has one computer, The Heritage &amp; Tourism Department of Kathmandu Metropolitan City is also having the computer equipment.</i></p>	056
<p>Are you using (multiple indications are possible):</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PC ( * ) Apple ( ) Mainframe ( )</p>	057
<p>Please, give the number of available computers:</p> <p><i>The DOA World Heritage Management Section has one computer.</i></p>	058
<p>Does an operational access to the Internet exist? (YES) / NO</p> <p><i>In both the DOA and Kathmandu Metropolitan City.</i></p>	059

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<p>Are there any visitor statistics for the site? <span style="float: right;">(YES) / NO</span></p>	066
<p>If YES, please summarise the statistics and attach to this report:</p> <p><i>The Federation of Swayambu Management and Conservation estimates that, in a normal year, approximately 100,000 visit the Monument Zone.</i></p>	067
<p>What visitor facilities do you have at the property?</p> <p><i>The site Museum and Natural history museum are the facilities provided for visitors. Public Transport is available to and from most parts of the Kathmandu Valley. As a vibrant urban area many privately owned shops, cafés, restaurants and guest houses which cater for visitors are found within the Monument Zone. Larger hotels are within easy reach.</i></p>	068
<p>What visitor facilities are you in need of?</p> <p><i>Improvement of the facilities mentioned in 068.</i></p>	069
<p>Is a public use plan (tourism / visitor management plan) in existence for the property? <span style="float: right;">(YES) / NO</span></p>	070

**II.4. continued**

<p>If YES, please summarize, if NO explain if one is needed:</p> <p><i>The Swayambhu Heritage Conservation Masterplan covers tourism issues and a related tourism strategy is being developed by the Federation of Swayambhu Area Management and Conservation .</i></p>	071
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<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>A range of information leaflets, illustrated in colour, have been produced by the DOA, Federation of Swayambhu Area Management and Conservation and other bodies. These are published in English, Nepali and are distributed through the Federation, the Museum, the City Office and elsewhere.</i></p> <p><i>A carved stone plaque provides information on the Monument Zone and its principal monuments in English. Stone markers, indicating the boundaries of the Monument Zone, have been erected.</i></p>	072
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<p><i>Special events and exhibitions have been held, during the <u>Buddha Jayanti</u> (birthday of Lord Buddha) and other Buddhist festivals.</i></p>	
<p>Are there educational programmes concerning the property aimed at schools? <u>(YES)</u> / NO</p>	073
<p>If yes, please describe:</p> <p><i>A schools awareness programme, explaining the significance of the WHS, is being organised by the Anandakuti Vidhyapitha (a higher secondary School) located in this monument zone, in different occasions.</i></p>	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>	075
<p><i>World Heritage status is widely publicised both nationally and internationally and is crucial for the recognition of the outstanding cultural value of the Kathmandu Valley. The publicity given to the WHS undoubtedly attracts a high proportion of the visitors to the Kingdom as a whole.</i></p>	

## 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, environmental pressure, natural disasters and preparedness, visitor / tourism pressure, number of inhabitants. Also mention all other issues that you see as problematic.</p>	076
<p><i>As explained above, the Monument Zone is subject to significant pressure due to population growth and rapid economic development and consequential social change. As the Valley has become increasingly heavily populated the open farmland which surrounded the historic city at the time of inscription of the Monument Zone has been built over and the environment has been increasingly polluted.</i></p>	
<p><i>The whole Valley is an area of high earthquake risk and Swayambhu hill received damage at modified Mercalli Scale IX in 1934. Some earthquake strengthening using traditional methods has already been undertaken to counter future risk.</i></p>	
<p><i>The Monument Zone has the capacity to accommodate significantly higher visitor numbers than at present.</i></p>	

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	<p>Is there an emergency plan and / or risk preparedness plan for the property in existence? <u>(YES)</u> / NO</p>	077
	<p>If YES, please summarise the plan and provide a copy:</p> <p><i>The housing and planning Department of HMG/Nepal is implementing the Nepal Building Code which is designed to mitigate the risk of earthquake damage.</i></p>	078
	<p>If NO, describe what is being done – and by whom – to counteract the dangers that threaten or may threaten the property: <i>N/A</i></p>	079
	<p>Indicate areas where improvement would be desirable and/or towards which the State Party is working:</p> <p><i>The recent successes of the DOA and the Metropolitan City in resisting illegal development within the Monument Zone need to be maintained. Winning the hearts and minds of the citizens for the conservation of their city will be crucial for this work.</i></p>	080

**II.5. continued**

	<p>Give an indication if the impact of the factors affecting the property is increasing or decreasing:</p> <p><i>As explained, due to the diligence of the regulatory authorities the detrimental factors affecting the property are decreasing.</i></p>	081
	<p>What actions have been effectively taken, or are planned for the future, to address the factors affecting the property?</p> <p><i>Increased training of staff responsible for monitoring the Monument Zone is planned.</i></p> <p><i>Regular monitoring of the Monument Zone is being undertaken.</i></p> <p><i>Support is being provided by HM Government for house owners through the provision of subsidised timber and traditional bricks. 10% of the total cost of traditional construction is borne by HMG.</i></p>	082

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## II.6. Monitoring

<p>If applicable, give details (e.g. dates, results, indicators chosen) of any previous periodic or reactive monitoring exercises of the property:</p> <p><i>In 1993 a joint UNESCO/ICOMOS Review Mission defined Sixteen Points of Concern. From 1994 annual monitoring reports were submitted by HMG to the World Heritage Committee to demonstrate compliance with the Sixteen Points.</i></p> <p><i>In 1998 a UNESCO/ICOMOS/HMG Joint Mission made 55 recommendations and defined a time-bound action plan of corrective measures. Subsequent monitoring reports have demonstrated the success of the authorities in implementing the recommendations.</i></p>	083
<p>Is there a formal monitoring system established for the site? (YES) / NO</p> <p>If YES, please give details of its organization:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>National High Level Monitoring Committee</i> <i>To monitor the implementation of the time-bound Action Plan recommended by the UNESCO/ICOMOS/HMG Nepal Joint Mission, a High Level Monitoring Committee has been established under the chairmanship of the Honourable Minister for Culture, Tourism and Civil Aviation. The Secretary and Joint Secretary of the ministry, the mayors of Kathmandu Metropolitan City, Lalitpur Sub-Metropolitan City and Bhaktapur Municipality and the Chief District Officers of Kathmandu, Lalitpur and Bhaktapur are members. The Member Secretary of the Committee is the Director General of the DOA. The Committee meets every month to monitor and evaluate implementation of the Action Plan and has been effective in ensuring enhanced conservation of the WHS.</i></li> <li>2. <i>World Heritage Management Division</i> <i>This is one of the seven divisions of the DOA and is dedicated to the management, monitoring and reporting of the state of preservation of the WHS.</i></li> <li>3. <i>Heritage Conservation Unit</i> <i>The Unit is part of the DOA and advises on the conservation of the Monument Zone.</i></li> <li>4. <i>Kathmandu Metropolitan City</i> <i>The Building Permits Section and Cultural Heritage and Tourism Department of the City are involved with monitoring of the Monument Zone on a local level.</i></li> <li>5. <i>Federation of Swayambhu Area Management and Conservation is involved with monitoring of the Monument Zone on site level.</i></li> </ol>	084  085

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<p>If not already in place, is the establishment of a formal monitoring system planned? N/A</p>	086 YES / NO
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<p>If YES, please outline the functioning of that system, taking into consideration the key indicators you will be asked to define below (see 089 / 090):</p> <p><i>N/A</i></p>	087
<p>Are there any indicators established for monitoring the state of conservation of the property? YES / (NO)</p> <p>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: <i>N/A</i></p> <p>If NO indicators have been identified and / or used so far, please define key indicators for future use in monitoring:</p> <p><i>A system of indicators is under consideration. Key indicators are likely to be:</i></p> <p><i>Refusal/granting of demolition permits</i></p> <p><i>Illegal development and enforcement action</i></p> <p><i>Repair grants given</i></p> <p><i>Repairs undertaken</i></p> <p><i>New buildings constructed in accordance with approved plans</i></p> <p><i>Numbers of buildings at risk</i></p> <p><i>Property value/added value</i></p> <p><i>Monitoring will be assisted by the listing of all monuments in the Monument Zone in three grades. It will be possible to use this list and the inventory descriptions as a base line, allowing change to be monitored and recorded.</i></p>	088  089  090

**II.6. continued**

<p>Indicate which partners, if any, are involved or will be involved in the regular monitoring exercise:</p> <p><i>The DOA and the Metropolitan City will be involved in regular monitoring.</i></p>	091
<p>Identify the administrative provisions for organizing the regular monitoring of the property:</p> <p><i>The monitoring arrangements are described in 085.</i></p>	092
<p>Describe what improvement the State Party foresees or would consider desirable in improving the monitoring system:</p> <p><i>Apart from establishing Key Indicators, better training, particularly of site staff, would be desirable. The site Office also requires a computer and E-mail in order to be fully effective.</i></p>	093

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<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 the 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 described in 085, a National High Level Monitoring Committee has been established to ensure that the 55 recommendations of the 1988 Joint Mission are implemented. An expert committee has also been established to grade the monuments in accordance with the recommendations and the ICOMOS guidelines.</i></p>	094
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**II.7. Conclusions and recommended actions**

<p>Please summarize the main conclusions regarding the state of the World Heritage values of the property (see items II.2. and II.3. above):</p> <p><i>Although the World Heritage Values of the Monument Zone are largely unchanged since the time of Inscription (021) and the major monuments are generally in a better state than at any time since inscription, the authenticity and integrity of the site has been damaged by demolition and redevelopment of private houses which the statutory authorities were unable to control. The legal and regulatory provisions have now been overhauled, resulting in greatly enhanced management of the zone and preventing further erosion of its integrity. Conservation projects for a number of private historic houses within the Monument Zone should help to recover some of the losses of the 1990s.</i></p>	095
<p>Please summarize the main conclusions regarding the management and factors affecting the property (see items II.4. and II.5. above):</p> <p><i>The improved handling of planning applications, involving both the DOA and Metropolitan City, has made the system more effective and responsive. Greater empowerment at local level has increased the commitment of local people to conservation.</i></p> <p><i>Now that the conservation of the major monuments is largely complete, attention has turned to the minor monuments and private houses. The mechanisms for directing financial support to private owners need to be made more effective in order to provide further incentives (050).</i></p>	096
<p>Give an overview over proposed future action / actions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>1. The monuments in the Monument Zone will be graded and the list of Protected Monuments will be Gazetted.</i></li> <li><i>2. A system of key indicators will be established to allow better direction of monitoring efforts within the monument zone.</i></li> <li><i>3. Further support will be given to house owners to encourage the conservation of traditional buildings.</i></li> <li><i>5. Programmes directed at the education of local people and visitors as to the benefits of conservation will be extended.</i></li> </ol>	097

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Name the agency responsible for implementation of these actions (if different from 005): As 05 and as 035 (2).	098
Give a timeframe for the implementation of the actions described above: <i>Action 1 will be carried out in line with the Time-Bound Action Plan of the 55 Recommendations of the 1998 Joint Mission. 2 will be developed during the next year.3 and 4 will be ongoing.</i>	099

**II.7. continued**

Indicate for which of the planned activities International Assistance from the World Heritage Fund may be needed (if any): <i>Further support for staff training would be desirable.</i>	100
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Are there any contacts with management units of other properties within or outside your country? (YES) / NO	101
If YES, please explain: <i>The Kathmandu Metropolitan City also has contacts with the authorities for the other Monument Zones</i>	102
Please indicate which experience made during the periodic reporting exercise and/or during the on-going conservation / protection efforts of the property could be shared with other States Parties dealing with similar problems or issues: <i>The experience of managing historic sites in a rapidly changing urban environment would be of particular value to other State Parties, particularly in developing countries.</i>	103
Provide the name(s) and address(es) of organization(s) or specialist(s) who could be contacted for this purpose: As 035.	104

**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>The Section II Report of Patan Monument Zone was prepared with the assistance of Giles Proctor, international expert and David Michelmore, international coordinator of the Asia Urbs Project which is taken as a model in preparing this report. The staff of the DOA and the concerning site managers gave their time sufficiently.</i>	105
Was the questionnaire clear and did it help to comply with the reporting requirements of the State Party? <i>More detailed instructions for the completion of the report would be helpful. Some abbreviation and elimination of duplication would also be beneficial.</i>	106

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<p>What are the perceived benefits and lessons learnt of the exercise?</p> <p><i>The reporting exercise has helped to identify the strengths and weakness of the management of the Monument Zone. In particular, it has helped to remind those responsible of the many successes of the last few years and it has inspired confidence in the future. It is all too easy to be pessimistic, but an exercise such as this demonstrates that there is much about which to be optimistic.</i></p>	107
<p>Please describe the expected outcome of the Periodic Reporting exercise and the desired follow-up by the World Heritage Committee:</p> <p><i>The state party is confident that the report will demonstrate the great advances which have been made in the management and conservation of the Swayambhunath Monument Zone and that this will help, in concert with the reports on the other Monument Zones which make up the Kathmandu World Heritage Site, to convince the World Heritage Committee that the Site is not in danger. Continued support will be necessary to maintain the advances of the last few years, in particular in training the staff of the statutory authorities and to assist with the conservation of individual monuments and buildings. However, the report demonstrates that we can look to the future with confidence.</i></p>	108

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## 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 boundary and buffer zone as well as the necessary detail of the property itself (see question 003 for specifications)
  - ***See Annex – I of this report for boundary of the Monument Zones.***
  - ***See Annex-8 of the report of Kathmandu (Hanumandhoka) Darbar Square for General Location.***
2. ( ) Photo of general view (aerial view) of the property
  - ***See Annex-7***
3. ( ) Illustrations of the state of conservation of the site (photographs, slides and, if available, film/videos)
  - ***See Annex-4, and Annex -6***
4. ( ) Details of the important aspects of the property (landscapes, animal and vegetable species, 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
  - ***See Annex-2 of this exercise of Kathmandu (Hanumandhoka) Darbar Square for this Monument Zone too.***
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.)
  - ***See Annex-10***
8. ( ) Indicative bibliography
  - ***See Annex-11***

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## ANNEXES

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## ANNEX- 1

### Map Showing the Boundary of Swayambhu Protected Monument Zone

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Ancient Monument Preservation Act 2013 (1956 A.D)

Ancient Monument Preservation Rules – 2046 (1989 A.D)

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## ANNEX -3

### Organization Chart of DOA

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## ANNEX- 4

### Photographs

(Showing the Present Condition of the Monuments)

Swayambhu

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Leaflets  
Swayambhu

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## ANNEX-6

# Audiovisual Compact Discs

An Introduction to the Swayambhu Mahachaitya and the National Museum of Nepal.

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## ANNEX-7

# Aerial Photograph

(Showing Protected Monument Zones of Kathmandu Valley W.H.Sites)

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ANNEX-8

# Topographic Map of Kathmandu Valley

(Showing zones of Kathmandu Valley W.H.site)

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ANNEX-9

# Annual Progress Report of Conservation

UPDATED PROGRESS REPORT -2002

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## ANNEX- 10

# Site Management Plans

Swayambhu : Conservation Masterplan

## ANNEX- 11

# Bibliography

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