

St. Anne's Church, Goa



Mubarak Mandi, Jammu



Judicial Complex, Faridkot



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CURRENT PROJECTS

The Architectural Heritage Division is currently working on various kinds of conservation projects in different states of India. Some of these are:

- Restoration work at Balaji Ghat, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh.
- Restoration work at Ganga Mahal, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh.
- Restoration of Bassian Kothi, Bassian, Punjab.
- Restoration of Old Palace, Udaipur, Tripura.
- Adaptive re-use of Guru Teg Bahadur Hospital, Amritsar, Punjab as an Urban Haat.
- Conservation and Development of historical sites in Jharkhand.
- Conservation and Development of historical sites in Odisha.
- Conservation of heritage buildings, Indian Agricultural Research Institute, Pusa, New Delhi.
- Preparation of heritage bye-laws for ASI protected monuments.

FUTURE INITIATIVES

- Declaring sites such as Allahabad, Braj, Leh and Nalanda as National Heritage Sites.
- Developing a register of 'Heritage @ Risk'.
- The 'Saving Heritage in Danger' programme.
- Bridging the lack of expertise and scientific research in conservation by publishing guidelines for the conservation of historic buildings.
- Develop sustainable management systems for heritage sites.
- Encouraging public consultation and participation in heritage conservation.
- Launching joint Pilot Projects for local capacity building.
- Instituting awards of excellence for conservation works in India.

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Moti Mahal, Gwalior

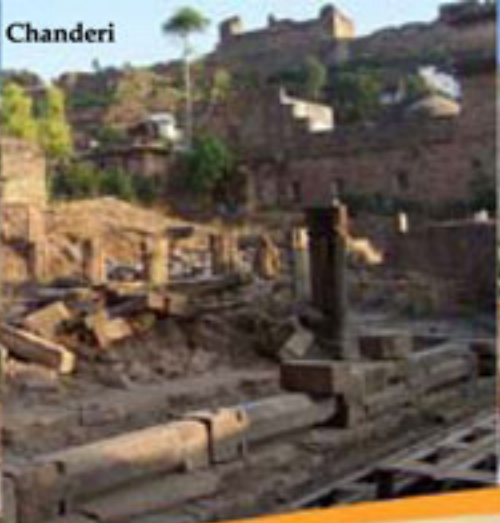


Balaji Ghat, Varanasi

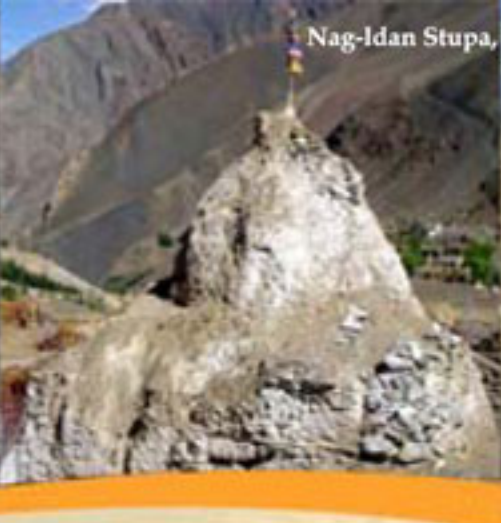




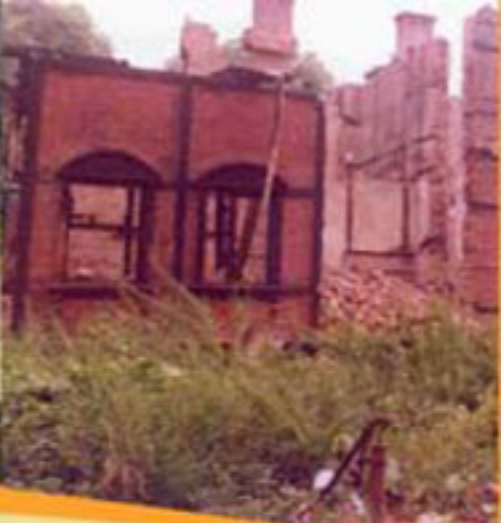
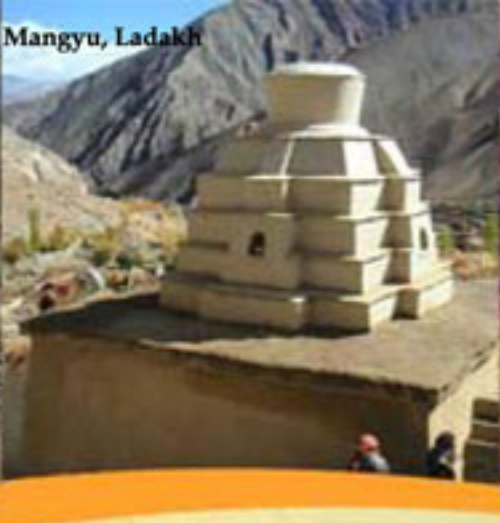
Raj Mahal, Chanderi



Nag-Idan Stupa, Mangyu, Ladakh



Emporium Building, Srinagar



INTACH

The Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH) was founded in 1984 in New Delhi with the vision to spearhead heritage awareness and conservation in India. In the past 30 years INTACH has pioneered the conservation and preservation of not just our natural and built heritage but intangible heritage as well. Headquartered in New Delhi, it operates through various divisions such as Architectural Heritage, Natural Heritage, Material Heritage, Intangible Heritage, Heritage Education and Communication Services (HECS) and Chapters.

ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE DIVISION

The Architectural Heritage Division (AHD) is dedicated to the promotion and conservation of India's vast cultural heritage. Since its founding, it has taken on the task of supplementing the work of the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) by accounting for the thousands of unprotected historic buildings and sites in India, its main thrust being the documentation and conservation of built heritage. It has set standards for conservation work by acting as experts and consultants and by implementing conservation projects. The division consists of in-house architects, conservation architects, external consultants and specialists, and looks to a dedicated Advisory Committee for direction and support.

ACTIVITIES OF THE DIVISION

- Listing of Heritage properties and sites (including precincts).
- Undertaking research and documentation of heritage buildings and sites.
- Formulation of heritage regulations to protect heritage buildings, sites and precincts.
- Preparation of conservation plans for historic buildings and sites.
- Undertaking execution and supervision of conservation work of historic buildings.
- Undertaking urban conservation studies and projects.
- Providing guidance and support to INTACH chapters.
- Conducting seminars, training workshops, exhibitions and taking out publications and informational material

Listing

This has been the core activity of AHD since 1984. To date, approximately 42,000 listings covering 350 towns distributed across the country in nearly every state, have been concluded. Some of these listings are:

- Jaisalmer, Rajasthan: Listing of 400 historical buildings and sites.
- Srinagar, J&K: Listing of 825 historical buildings, gardens, water bodies, public squares, among others.
- Bundi, Rajasthan: Listing of 442 historical buildings and sites in all.
- Shimla, Himachal Pradesh: Listing of 203 historical buildings and sites in all.
- State of Sikkim: Listing of 305 historical buildings and sites in all.
- Mathura-Vrindavan, Uttar Pradesh: A 1120-strong listing in all.
- Amritsar-Patiala-Kapurthala, Punjab: a 1424-strong listing in all.
- Nainital- Haridwar- Dehradun- Mussourie, Uttarakhand: A 1274-strong listing in all.
- Agra, Uttar Pradesh : Listing of 692 historical buildings and sites.
- Rajouri, J&K : Listing of 52 historical buildings and sites.

Documentation and Conservation Plans

Documentation and Conservation Plans comprise detailed measured drawings, condition assessment and structural appraisal of the historic buildings and sites for their effective conservation. Some sites for which the division has prepared these plans are:

- Monasteries in Zanskar, Jammu and Kashmir.
- Mubarak Mandi Complex, Jammu.
- Darbar Hall and Moorish Mosque, Kapurthala, Punjab.
- Old Palace, Udaipur, Tripura.
- Balaji Ghat, Tripolia Gate, Panchkroshi Marg among others, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh.
- Sheesh Mahal and NIS Moti Bagh Palace, Patiala, Punjab.
- Old Secretariat, Faridkot, Punjab.
- Baroda House, New Delhi.
- CAO Building, Kashmere Gate, New Delhi.
- Currency Building, Reserve Bank of India (RBI), Kanpur, U.P.
- Golden Threshold, Hyderabad.

Conservation Work

This entails the implementation of the prepared conservation plans through actual on-site work, thereby also encouraging the optimum use of local craft skills and indigenous building materials. Some completed conservation projects are:

- Emporium Building, Srinagar, Jammu and Kashmir.
- Mangyu Gompa and Chorten, Ladakh, Jammu and Kashmir.
- Gohar Mahal, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.
- Moti Mahal, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh.
- Raj Mahal, Chanderi, Madhya Pradesh.
- Sainik School, Kapurthala, Punjab.
- Rani Mahal and Har Raj Ji Ka Mahal, Jaisalmer, Rajasthan.
- Earthquake damaged heritage sites like Taksal Mosque, vegetable market, and Devpar Darbargarh School in Bhuj, Gujarat.
- Buildings and sites like St. Anne's Church, Fort Reis Magos, and Fort St. Estevam in Goa.

Urban Conservation

This entails the preparation of conservation plans for historic towns and cities. Such plans begin with primary surveys, inventories and cultural resource mapping, and the assessment of present situations. They also address heritage management, regulatory measures such as zonal regulations, building bye-laws and measures for tourism development if required. The division's urban conservation projects include:

- Heritage Development Plan for Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh
- Heritage Development Plan for Ujjain City, Madhya Pradesh
- Eco-city Development Plan, Chanderi, Madhya Pradesh



Central Wing, GTB Haat, Amritsar