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WORLD HERITAGE SITES IN INDIA (38)

CULTURAL SITES:

Under Protection of Archaeological Survey of India (22)

S.No.

Name of Site

State

Agra Fort (1983)

Uttar Pradesh

Ajanta Caves (1983)

Maharashtra

Ellora Caves (1983)

Maharashtra

Taj Mahal (1983)

Uttar Pradesh

Group of Monuments at Mahabalipuram (1984)

Tamil Nadu

Sun Temple, Konark (1984)

Odisha

Churches and Convents of Goa (1986)

Goa

Fatehpur Sikri (1986)

Uttar Pradesh

Group of Monuments at Hampi (1986)

Karnataka

Khajuraho, Group of Temples (1986)

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Great Living Chola Temples at Thanjavur, Gangaikondacholapuram and Darasuram (1987 & 2004)

Tamil Nadu

Group of Monuments at Pattadakal (1987)

Karnataka

Buddhist Monuments at Sanchi (1989)

Madhya Pradesh

Humayun's Tomb, Delhi (1993)

Delhi

Qutb Minar and its Monuments, Delhi (1993)

Delhi

Rock Shelters of Bhimbetka (2003)

Madhya Pradesh

Champaner-Pavagarh Archaeological Park (2004)

Gujarat

Red Fort Complex, Delhi (2007)

Delhi

Hill Forts of Rajasthan

(Amber and Gagron Forts are under protection of Rajasthan State Archaeology and Museums)

Rajasthan

Rani-ki-Vav (The Queen's Stepwell) at Patan (2014)

Gujarat

Archaeological Site of Nalanda *Mahavihara* (Nalanda University) at Nalanda (2016)

Bihar

Under Protection of Ministry of Railways (2)

23.

Mountain Railways of India Darjeeling, (1999), Nilgiri (2005), Kalka-Shimla (2008)

West Bengal, Tamil Nadu, Himachal Pradesh

24.

Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus (formerly Victoria Terminus) (2004)

Maharashtra

Under Protection of Bodhgaya Temple Management Committee (1)

25

Mahabodhi Temple Complex at Bodh Gaya, (2002)

Bihar

Under Protection of Rajasthan State Archaeology and Museums (1)

26.

The JantarMantar, Jaipur (2010)

Rajasthan

Under Protection of Chandigarh Administration (1)

27.
The Architectural Work of Le Corbusier, an Outstanding Contribution to the Modern Movement (2016)
Chandigarh

Under Protection of Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (1)

28.
Historic City of Ahmedabad (2017)
Gujarat

Under Protection of Bombay Municipal Corporation (1)

29.
Victorian and Art Deco Ensemble of Mumbai (2018)
Govt of Maharashtra

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30.
Jaipur City, Rajasthan (2019)
Govt of Rajasthan

NATURAL SITES: (7)

Under Protection of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Changes

31.
Kaziranga National Park (1985)

Assam

32.

Keoladeo National Park (1985)

Rajasthan

33.

Manas Wildlife Sanctuary (1985)

Assam

34.

Sunderbans National Park (1987)

West Bengal

35.

Nanda Devi and Valley of Flowers National Parks (1988, 2005)

Uttarakhand

36.

Western Ghats (2012)

Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu

37

Great Himalayan National Park (2014)

Himachal Pradesh

MIXED SITE: (1)

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Khangchendzonga National Park (2016)

Sikkim

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