

**Government of India  
Ministry of Education & Culture  
Department of Culture**

Scheme for financial assistance for preservation of monument less than 100 years old

Preamble

There has been a long-felt need for preserving monuments of a class which may consist of buildings, sites or remains of historical and cultural value which do not qualify for protection under the 'Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act 1958 (24 of 1958)'. Usually such monuments are under 100 years old and remain under the ownership of individual citizens or local voluntary organisations. Such of those monuments as have any historical and cultural significance constitute a local landmark and symbol of pride in the public life and history of the locality or of the nation as a whole. There seems to be a need to preserve them and maintain them for public access in the interest of enhancing public appreciation of their intrinsic architectural or cultural value and an historic landmarks as the case may be. No hard and fast norms can be applied to determine at what stage of their coming into existence they would need such care. It could however be accepted as a working rule that such monuments to be protected from public funds under the proposed scheme could be 50 to 100 years old and their significance may not be exclusively political. Having no claims to antiquity, such monuments would obviously not qualify for protection from the Archaeological Survey of India or the State Departments of Archaeology.

Scope of Scheme

Under the scheme, the Government of India in the Department of Culture will consider applications for sanctioning of financial assistance for preservation of monuments, sites or remains of historical/cultural value, not protected by the Archaeological Survey of India or the State Departments of Archaeology. The financial assistance will be provided in the form of grants sanctioned by the Department of Culture on the recommendations of the State Governments or Union territories as the case may be, to voluntary organisations. A single monument located on a particular site will qualify for grant only once.

The grant may be sanctioned to cover repairs of the buildings including certain marginal construction like a compound wall, addition of a stair-case or railings, barbed wire fencing etc., besides purchase of special equipment for preservation of memorabilia. The assistance will not be admissible for any expenditure on staff.

The applicant for the grant shall be a voluntary organisation registered as a Society under the Indian Societies Registration Act, 1860 (21 of 1860) or a Public Trust constituted under any law for the time being in force. An organisation established, funded wholly or managed by a State Government or Union Territory Administration or a local authority is not entitled to assistance under the scheme.

Eligibility for Application

- i) The monument in question shall preferably not be in private occupation.

- ii) The applicant institution shall produce proof of its status as a Registered Society or a Public Trust.
- iii) The applicant institution shall have a well-defined constitution in the form of a Memorandum of Association and Rules.
- iv) The applicant institution shall be financially sound. The sanctioning authority shall satisfy itself in this regard in a manner of its choice.
- v) The applicant institution shall be in a position to implement the project or preserving the monument and for this purpose shall have adequate facilities and the necessary personnel.
- vi) The functioning of the applicant institution and its financial standing shall be certified as satisfactory by the respective State Government/Union Territory Administration.
- vii) The applicant institution shall not function for the profit of any individual or body of individuals.

#### Conditions of grant

- i) The application for grant shall be made in the prescribed form and shall be routed through the concerned State Government/Union Territory Administration.
- ii) Any one monument shall be considered for the grant only once under the scheme. A photograph of the monument shall invariably be attached to the application.
- iii) An estimate or expenditure for the renovation as certified by the local PWD shall be sent with the application.
- iv) The applications received in the Government of India in the Department of Culture will be scrutinised by a Committee consisting of a representative each of the Department of Culture, the Archaeological Survey of India and the Department of Tourism, so as to select the monuments for which a grant should be made and to determine the quantum of grant to be sanctioned.
- v) The grant will be sanctioned by the Department of Culture to the concerned Voluntary organisation after considering the recommendations of observations of the State Archaeological Department shall accompany the application.
- vi) The grant in each instance shall be limited to the approved estimation or Rupees Five Lakh, whichever is less. In special however, the Department of Culture may sanction a grant not exceeding Rupees Ten Lakh.
- vii) The project for which the grant is released shall be completed not later than 6 months from the date of the sanctioned issued by the Department of Culture.
- viii) The grantee shall submit; through the State /UT Government, a certificate that the grant has been utilised for the purpose for which it was sanctioned, as well as the Audited Statement of Accounts in respect of the grant. These documents are to be routed through the State/UT Government, so as to reach the Department of Culture within 3 months of completion of the work.
- ix) Any unutilised balance against the sanctioned amount shall be refunded forthwith by the grantee to the Department of Culture.
- x) The grantee shall not destroy, the defence or alter the monument or any part thereof or remove there from any portion thereof.

- xi) No new construction other than a compound wall etc., which is necessary for the preservation of the monument shall be put up on the site of the monument.
- xii) The grantee shall not use the monument for his own purpose.
- xiii) The grantee shall not change any fee for public entry to the monument.
- xiv) There shall be no restriction on any person or persons appointed by the Department of Culture, the Archaeological Survey of India or by the State/UT Government to supervise the work for which the grant is sanctioned.
- xv) On completion of the work for which the grant is sanctioned, the grantee shall forward to the Department of Culture three photographs of the completed work from different angles, as would give a clear idea of the work completed.
- xvi) The grantee shall take all the necessary precautions for undertaking essential structural repairs, as well as for the custody of the building materials etc.
- xvii) The grantee shall execute a bond (as in the attached form) before the approved grant is actually paid.
- xviii) The decision regarding the selection of the monuments to be assisted under the scheme and the quantum of such assistance to be provided shall financial rest with the Department of Culture.

## FORM OF APPLICATION FOR DGRANT

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1. Name of applicant institution:
2. Complete Mailing Address:  
(Indicate also District,  
State/UT and D.I.N).
3. Status of Applicant institution
  - i) It is registered and if so, since when?  
Attach an attested copy of certificate  
of Registration.
  - ii) Is it maintained by a State or semi-  
Government body? If so, mention  
particulars.
4. Constitution and present membership  
(if printed documents are available they  
may be attached).
5. Financial standing (Audited Accounts  
and Annual Reports for the last three  
years may be attached with Budget  
Estimates for the current year).
6. What financial and other assistance is  
received from the State Government(s),  
separately for the entire work of the  
applicant institution and for the project  
for which the present application is  
made.
7. Purpose for which grant is sought and  
amount of grant. For each main item,  
a separate note may be attached,  
indicating:
  - (i) Justification and broad details  
of project.
  - (ii) Brief history of the monument.
  - (iii) Revenue expected from other  
sources.
  - (iv) Amount of Central Government  
grant sought under the scheme.
  - (v) Estimates of expenditure certified  
by local PWD to be attached.
8. Attach a photograph of the monument.

9. Any other relevant information not covered above (if the space is not sufficient, a separate sheet may be attached).

Date:

Signature of Applicant;

Name in Block Letters:

Place:

Office held by Applicant;

Seal of Applicant;

For use in the State Government/Union Territory Administration Certified that:-

- i) The applicant represents a bona fide organisation having a legal status as a Registered Society/Public Trust.
- ii) The applicant organisation\* is/is not in ownership of the monument is question. The organisation is a bona fide representative of the community of the place where the monument stands.
- iii) The applicant has the necessary resources to preserve the monuments in question and to utilise in a proper manner the Central Grant sought.
- iv) The applicant institution is sound financially.
- v) The State/UT Government will ensure the completion of the project for which the grant is sanctioned, and will forward the utilisation certificate by the prescribed deadline to the Department of Culture.
- vi) A grant of Rs. \_\_\_\_\_ is Recommended.
- vii) The views of the State Department of Archaeology are attached herewith.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

@ Destination Govt./UT Admn. Of

@ Not below the rank of a Deputy Secretary.

Ref. No.:

Date

Place

\* Score out what is not applicable

## BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS THAT WE THE

an Association registered under the societies Registration Act, 1860 (2) of 1860 (2) and having its office at \_\_\_\_\_ in the State of \_\_\_\_\_

(here in after called the obligers) are held and firmly bound to the President of Indian (here in after called the Government) in the sum of Rs.4 \_\_\_\_\_

(in figures  
(Rupees \_\_\_\_\_ only) well and truly to be paid to the President on demand the without a demur for which payment, we bind ourselves and our and assions by these presents.

2. SIGNED this 5 \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year one thousand nine hundred and eighty \_\_\_\_\_.

3. WHEREAS on the obligers' request, the Government has as per Union Ministry of Education and Culture's letter No. \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_ (here in after referred to as the "Letter of Sanction" which forms an integral part of these presents and a copy whereof is annexed here to as Annexure-A)6 agreed to make favour of the obligers.

- N.B.
1. Here insert name of agency.
  2. It is not valid, mention relevant Act under which agency is registered.
  3. Complete Address of Agency.
  4. Herein insert total grant approved by the Government for the project and not the amount released for a particular instalment.
  5. Herein insert date on which bond is executed by the Agency.
  6. Each page of Sanction letter is to be signed and counter signed by the Secretary and the President of the organisation.

a grant of Rs. 7 \_\_\_\_\_ (Rupees \_\_\_\_\_  
(in figures) (in words)

only ) of which Rs. 8 \_\_\_\_\_ have already been received by the obligers on condition of the obligers executing a bond in the terms and manner contained here in after and which the obligers have agreed to do.

4. Now the condition of the above written obligation is such that if the obligers duly fulfil and comply with all the conditions mentioned in the letter of sanction, the above written bond or obligation shall be void and of no effect. But otherwise it shall remain in full force and virtune. If a part of the grant is left unspent after the expiry of the period within which it is required to be spent the obligers agreed to refund the unspent balance along with interest @ 5% per \_\_\_\_\_ unless it is agreed to be carried over.

5. The Society/Trust agrees and undertakes to surrender/ pay to the Government the monetary value of all such pecunary or other benefits which it may receive or derive/ have

received or derived through/upon unauthorised use (such as letting out the premises for any purpose other than that for which the grant was intended) of the property building created/acquired/constructed largely from out of Government grant. The decision of the Secretary to the Government of India in the Ministry of Education & Culture or the administrative Head of the Department concerned as regards the monetary value aforementioned to be surrendered paid to the Government will be final and binding on the Society/Trust.

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- N.B. 7. Herein insert total grant approved by Government for the entire project.  
8. Herein also insert total grand approved by Government for entire project.

6. AND THESE PRESENTS ALSO WITNESS THAT:-

- (i) The decision of the Secretary to the Government of India in the Ministry of Education and Culture on the question whether there has been breach or violation of any of the terms or conditions mentioned in the sanction letter shall be final and binding on the obligers; and  
(ii) The Government shall bear the stamp duty payable on these presents.

7. In witness where of these presents have been executed as under on behalf of the obligers the day herein above written in pursuance of the Resolution No. 9 \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_ passed by the Governing Body of the obligers, a copy where of is annexed here to as Annexure B, and by 10 \_\_\_\_\_ for and on behalf of the President on the date appearing below:-

Signed for and on behalf of  
(Name of the Obliger Association)  
in the presence of

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| 1. Signature of witness _____ | 2. Signature of witness _____ |
| Name & Address _____          | Name & Address _____          |
| of the witness _____          | of the witness _____          |
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- N.B. 9. A copy of Resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the agency duly signed and countersigned by the competent authorities should invariably be attached.
10. For Ministry's use.

List of Financial Assistance sanctioned under the Scheme for Financial Assistance to Unprotected Monuments less than 100 years old for the last three years

Head - 020431

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Amount (in Rupees)	Remarks
<b>2005-06</b>			
1.	Financial assistance to Bharat Sabha Bhawan, Kolkata for repairs of Bharat Sabha Bhawan, Kolkata	6,94,710	2005-2006
2.	Financial assistance to Sri Manganathaswamy Temple, Thiru Uthirakosamangai and Sri Adi Jegannathaperumal Temple, Thiruppullani, District, Ramanathapuram, Tamil Nadu.	33,00,000	An amount of Rs.2.00 Crore was approved vide this office letter No.14-5/2000-C(Plg.), dated 20.03.2003 in three installments of Rs.60 Lakhs, Rs.80 Lakhs & Rs.60 Lakhs. (2 <sup>nd</sup> Instalment) 2005-06
<b>2006-07</b>			
3.	Financial assistance to Sri Manganathaswamy Temple, Thiru Uthirakosamangai and Sri Adi Jegannathaperumal Temple, Thiruppullani, District, Ramanathapuram, Tamil Nadu.	25,00,000	(Part of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Instalment) 2005-2006
<b>2007-08</b>			
4.	Financial assistance to Sri Manganathaswamy Temple, Thiru Uthirakosamangai and Sri Adi Jegannathaperumal Temple, Thiruppullani, District, Ramanathapuram, Tamil Nadu.	50,00,000	(Part of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Instalment) 2007-08
5.	Financial assistance for the work of chemical treatment and preservation of mural paintings of Darbar Sahib, Sri Guru Ram Rai, Jhanda Sahib, Dehradun.	4,00,000	2007-08