

Department of Cultural Affairs
Directorate of Archeology and Museums

Gad Sanvardhan and Monument Conservation Scheme

Forts and forts should be conserved well and for this, fort-loving organizations, individuals and fort experts should be involved, as well as to introduce the inspiring life of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj to the new generation and preserve and preserve the forts and forts, Government Decision No. Miscellaneous 2014/P.No.156/No.3, by the government decision dated 30.03.2015 then Hon. a committee of history lovers was formed under the chairmanship of Minister, Cultural Affairs. This committee had recommended for the preservation and conservation of a total of 28 forts in the state. Out of them 24 forts have been completed. The conservation work of Shirgaon Fort and Underi Fort has been suspended and the work of the remaining 2 forts is in progress.

Currently, the Fort Conservation Committee has been re-established as per the Government Decision dated 30.11.2022 of the Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs. In this committee, state level and departmental level committees have been formed like the revenue departments of Maharashtra state. Conservation work of *Gadkots* in Maharashtra can be proposed under the guidance of this committee.

In this committee constituted by the government, according to the recommendations of the departmental level committee through the state level committee, the district level information of the unprotected forts and forts in the state is prepared, giving advice regarding the comprehensive development plans, organizing various activities, taking measures to increase the participation of the local people for the conservation of the forts with the cooperation of the departmental level committee. Protected monuments in the state including forts, temples, caves etc. For that, as per the request of the Cultural Affairs Department, the Planning Department issued Government Decision No. DAP/10/2022/Pr.No.277/Ka.1481, dated 14.12.2022 as per Government Decision, District Annual Plan (General) includes forts, temples and important monuments in the state.

The departmental level committee to collect comprehensive information about the forts in the concerned department and to cooperate with the concerned archeology divisional office to prepare the district wise gazetteer, to recommend to the state level committee regarding the preservation and repair and conservation work of the forts in department wise, the tourism development program includes activities such as making recommendations to the government on how to increase the participation of local savings groups, related NGOs working at the fort and local people living in the area in employment growth.

Stage 1:

Division	Sr.No	Name of Monument
Ratnagiri	1	Shirgaon Fort, Shirgaon, Dist. Palghar
Pune	2	Bhudargad Fort, Bhudargad, Dist. Kolhapur
	3	Torna Fort, Velhe, Dist. Pune
Nashik	4	Kharda Fort, Kharda, Dist. Ahmadnagar
	5	Galana Fort, Galana, Dist. Nashik
Nagpur	6	Ambagad Fort, Ambagad, Dist. Bhandara
	7	Manikgad Fort, Manikgad, Dist. Chandrapur
	8	Nagardhan Fort, Ramtek, Dist. Nagpur
Aurangabad	9	Antur Fort, Nagapur, Dist. Aurangabad
	10	Paranda Fort, Paranda, Dist. Osmanabad
	11	Dharur Fort, Dharur, Dist. Beed
Nanded	12	Ausa Fort, Ausa, Dist. Latur
	13	Kandhar Fort, Kandhar, Dist. Nanded
	14	Mahur Fort, Mahur, Dist. Nanded

Stage 2:

Division	Sr.No.	Name of Monument
Ratnagiri	1	Purngad Fort, Purngad, Dist. Ratnagiri
	2	Bankot Fort, Bankot, Dist. Ratnagiri
	3	Underi Fort, Underi, Dist. Raigad
	4	Yashwantgad Fort, Redi, Dist. Sindhudurga
	5	Bharatgad Fort, Masure, Dist. Sindhudurga
Pune	6	Koyrigad Fort, Ambavane, Dist. Pune
	7	Rangana Fort, Chickewadi, Dist. Kolhapur
	8	Vishalgad Fort, Gajapur, Dist. Kolhapur
Nashik	9	Ankai Fort, Ankai, Dist. Nashik
	10	Tankai Fort, Ankai, Dist. Nashik
	11	Salher Fort, Mulher, Dist. Nashik
	12	Mulher Fort, Mulher, Dist. Nashik
	13	Laling Fort, Laling, Dist. Dhule
Aurangabad	14	Vetalwadi Fort, Vetalwadi, Dist. Aurangabad