

TAJIKISTAN

1.1 Introduction

Year of ratification 1992

Organisation submitting the report

- * No report submitted

1.2 Identification of cultural and natural heritage properties

The status of national inventories

- * Creation of a National Museum of Tajik Antiquities in Dushanbe collecting the country's main archaeological treasures.

The preparation of a Tentative List

- * 11 cultural properties revised in 2000, intended for nomination in the coming 5-10 years.

Nominations and the nomination process

- * To date, no site has been inscribed on the World Heritage List.
- * Tajikistan has prepared the nomination of the Eneolithic settlement of Sarazm in close co-operation with WHC & ACTED (a French NGO) which was submitted in 2003 but is still incomplete.

1.3 Protection, conservation and presentation of the cultural and natural heritage

Integration of heritage and planning

- * National laws governing cultural heritage include the Archaeological Reservation State Act Б N 001493 (1985).
- * A regional workshop on cultural legislation for Central Asian countries was held in Dushanbe in May 2001 organized by the UNESCO Division of Cultural Heritage.

Participation of local communities

- * Local governments maintain all cultural facilities under the supervision and guidance of the Ministry of Culture.

Tourism Development

- * Tourism has not yet been developed in Tajikistan, and some regions are still difficult to reach. As a result, a joint UNESCO/ACTED project is establishing a framework for developing ecotourism & cultural tourism (e.g. Pamir mountains) with support from the UNESCO Division of Cultural Heritage.

Financial measures and budget allowance

- * One source of financing for national cultural heritage is the Academy of Sciences of Tajikistan.
- * No figures supplied

Professional

- * The UNESCO "Central Asian Earth 2002-2012 Programme" aims, among other things, to enhance the capacity of existing professionals and institutions for the protection of earthen architectural heritage.

New and improved services

- * Tourist facilities are still largely underdeveloped all around the country, especially in the nominated site of Sarazm and the potential Pyanjekent World Heritage Property.

Issues to be addressed

- * Development of local communities near national cultural heritage, especially in the buffer zone
- * Vandalism mainly by locals resulting from an absence of site surveillance.
- * Training needs for local archaeologists and cultural experts
- * Allocation of funds for conservation and restoration needs, staffing and monitoring needs.

1.4 International co-operation and fund raising

National and International Fund Raising

- * The UNESCO "Central Asian Earth 2002-2012 Programme" aims to strengthen co-operation among Central Asian State Parties and to build regional capacity in implementing.
- * International Assistance from WHF as follows:
2002 US\$ 19,748 Preparatory assistance, Sarazm

1.5 Education, information and awareness-building

Information and awareness measures

- * The Academy of Science conducts research in collaboration with the National Museum of Tajikistan.

1.6 Conclusions and recommended actions

Conclusions and proposed actions

- * No report received.