



CULKEY FOUNDATION

Adopt. Preserve. Sustain

ABOUT US

Culkey Foundation - Established in 2019, we are a registered not-for-profit organization compliant with 80G regulations. We collaborate with local governments, communities, and stakeholders to bridge the gap between local heritage preservation and global consciousness. Furthermore, we engage in technology and research initiatives, positioning ourselves as a culture-tech foundation.

FUNDRAISING

We collect donations from foundations, corporate CSR, family offices, and HNWIs.

Donations support adoptable monuments overseen by the District Monument Committee appointed by the Government of Karnataka, ensuring their preservation and cultural significance for future generations.

HERITAGE PRESERVATION & CONSERVATION

We have split the activity into two parts:

Part 1: Preserve the monument with basic amenities, using ESG as the benchmark.

Part 2: Conserve the monument through the Department of Archaeology, Museums, and Heritage, Government of Karnataka.

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COMMUNITY BUILDING

We depend on the active engagement of a dedicated global community passionate about cultural heritage to accomplish our mission. Your tax-deductible donation directly funds preservation projects, fieldwork, advocacy, and educational programs at cherished sites worldwide.

The Culkey Foundation works alongside local partners to nurture the economic, technical, and social infrastructures vital for present opportunities and enduring site preservation.

Chairman



Shri Prashanth Prakash

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SUMMARY

- ☼ 80G Licensed Foundation
- ☼ 20 Adoptions
- ☼ Estimated value of adoption
INR 10 Crore (US\$ 1.2 Million)
- ☼ With an average of INR 50 lakh each monument



Namma Smaraka is a program under the 'Adopt a Monument' initiative of the Government of Karnataka, led by the Department of Archaeology, Museums, and Heritage

MANDATE

Total Adoptable Monuments

848

Kind of Monuments

Administrative Structures, Archaeological Sites, Forts and Palaces, Industrial Sites, Institutional Structures, Memorial Structures, Public Structures, Religious Structures, Residential Structures, Water Structures and Water Bodies

Investment criteria

Adoption costs vary for each monument. The Monument Committee will decide based on the guidelines and implementation handbook of 'Namma Smaraka'. The average cost of adoption for each monument is set at INR 50 lakh.

CASE STUDY



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Archaeology Survey of India (ASI) has delisted 18 untraceable monuments—from a Minar in Gurgaon to a copper temple in Arunachal. How can archeological treasures be protected amid chaotic urban development and inadequate allocation of funds?



Protecting monuments can't be left to Govt alone. We need to figure out a way of tapping corporate interest
- Bibek Debroy, Chairman, Economic Advisory Council to the PM

Today, the archaeological sector stands as a testament to our culture, but it has also fallen victim to rapid urbanization. Culkey Foundation has provided a beacon of hope by showcasing a model for restoring, preserving, and achieving self-sustainability for these archaeological treasures through community engagement, as seen in the Namma Smaraka initiative.

About Adopters

Our adopters include corporate CSR initiatives, foundations, trusts, and high-net-worth individuals (HNWIs).

Adopted monuments



1 Palace



6 Forts



9 Religious Monuments



3 Water Bodies



1 Museum + Art Gallery

Adaptors Challenge

Amidst the vast administrative gap between adopters and the adoption process, the methodology of obtaining permission and implementation raised significant concerns, especially with retrospective adoptions. However, with the introduction of the 'Namma Smaraka' initiative by the Government of Karnataka and Culkey Foundation as the project management unit, such adoptions have now become seamless, offering a glimmer of hope for smoother processes.

How Culkey Foundation helped

We've streamlined the adoption and implementation process through digitisation, engaging the local 'Monument Committee' with all relevant government agencies at the district level as core members. Permissions and implementation now flow seamlessly, and executions are aligning with the established timelines.

Adoptors

