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## **Historical step-well located in Vapi forgotten during heritage week**

The historical step-well located at Vapibalitha is forgotten during the heritage week. The step-well is surrounded by dirt and muck. *Divya Bhaskar, November 27, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/DGUJ-VAL-historical-well-forgotten-in-heritage-week-4820670-NOR.html>

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## **Ancient monuments should be given identity, Bhuj**

*Kutch Mitra, November 27, 2014*

[http://www.kutchmitradaily.com/article.aspx?site\\_id=3&news\\_id=53260](http://www.kutchmitradaily.com/article.aspx?site_id=3&news_id=53260)

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## **Nazarbaug palace debris to give way to shopping hub**

A month after the demolition of the European-styled Nazarbaug palace of the royal Gaekwads, the Mumbai-based Gaekwad sibling Sangramsinh's family plans to build a 'Nazarbaug Shopping Street' in its place. *Indian Express, November 26, 2014*

<http://epaper.indianexpress.com/382906/Ahmedabad/26-November-2014#page/4/2>

*Gujarat Samachar, November 27, 2014*

[http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display\\_article/nazarbag-baroda-in-gujarat](http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display_article/nazarbag-baroda-in-gujarat)

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## **Ancient art not noticed, Ahmedabad**

*Navgujarat Samay, November 26, 2014*

<http://epaper.navgujaratsamay.com/details/3898-4355-1.html>

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## **Dumping station near heritage monument, Ahmedabad**

*Navgujarat Samay, November 26, 2014*

<http://epaper.navgujaratsamay.com/details/3901-5656-1.html>

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## **Ancient step-well becomes garbage dumping place, Mansa**

A very ancient and historic step-well located at Mansa is in a pitiable condition. The stairs and well of the step-well are full of garbage and dirt. *Sandesh, November 26, 2014*

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3013626>

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## **Heritage walk including all historical places of Somnath**

*Gujarat Samachar, November 26, 2014*

[http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display\\_article/heritage-walk-somnath-covering-historical-places](http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display_article/heritage-walk-somnath-covering-historical-places)

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## **Heritage of ancient step-well located in Meghraj still intact**

*Gujarat Samachar, November 26, 2014*

[http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display\\_article/north-gujarat-malia-crazy-mother-vav-heritage-still-intact](http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display_article/north-gujarat-malia-crazy-mother-vav-heritage-still-intact)

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## **Experts roped in to refurbish 19th C Indumati Palace**

VADODARA: Over 134 years after it was constructed, the Indumati Palace is all set to undergo a major renovation. The royal Gaekwad family has decided to spruce up the palace that was lying in shambles for decades. Royal scion Pratapsinhrao Gaekwad, who got possession of the property last year, said the entire palace will be refurbished but its original architecture will be kept intact. *Times of India, November 25, 2014*

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/vadodara/Experts-roped-in-to-refurbish-19th-C-Indumati-Palace/articleshow/45271000.cms>

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## **Jain International Women's Organization organized heritage walk in the city, Ahmedabad**

*Divya Bhaskar, November 25, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news-hf/MGUJ-AHM-heritage-week-celebrate-ahmedabad-different-heritage-place-4818237-PHO.html>

*Divya Bhaskar, November 25, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-AHM-MAT-latest-ahmedabad-news-020503-905420-NOR.html>

*Navgujarat Samay, November 25, 2014*

<http://epaper.navgujaratsamay.com/details/3881-12034-1.html>

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## **Ancient step-well of Siddhanath Lake opened for visitors, Vadodara**

The ancient step-well at Siddhanath lake was covered with stones and plants. The step-well was cleaned and opened for visitors. *Divya Bhaskar, November 25, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-VAD-MAT-latest-vadodara-news-035514-903512-NOR.html>

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## **Sampa's ancient step-well in danger, Dehgam**

Ancient monuments stand tall and powerful. But we do not preserve our monuments. The ancient five-storey step-well located in Sampa village of Dehgam requires repairing and maintenance. *Sandesh, November 25, 2014*

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3013212>

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## **Shilalekh found while cleaning Siddhanath lake, Vadodara**

While undertaking cleaning activity of Siddhanath lake, ancient Shilalekh were found. Lot of garbage was removed. *Divya Bhaskar, November 24, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-VAD-MAT-latest-vadodara-news-060009-902360-NOR.html>

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## **Protected monuments should be preserved, Vadhvan**

*Divya Bhaskar, November 24, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/SAU-MAT-latest-vadhvan-news-060009-902419-NOR.html>

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## **Delay in repairing of ancient Shilalekh building in Junagadh**

The walls and ceiling of the ancient Ashok Shilalekh building collapsed few months back. It has been four months and repairing of the building is not undertaken. *Gujarat Samachar, November 24, 2014*

[http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display\\_article/historic-building-museum-in-rajkot-junagadh-gujarat-saurashtra-inscription-repairs](http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display_article/historic-building-museum-in-rajkot-junagadh-gujarat-saurashtra-inscription-repairs)

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## **Heritage city status difficult for Ahmedabad**

There are approximate 300 monuments in Ahmedabad. Heritage is becoming important for a country's identity. Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation is making efforts to achieve heritage city status. *Gujarat Samachar Plus*, November 24, 2014

[http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display\\_article/eritage-city-status-in-the-city-it-is-impossible-to-get](http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display_article/eritage-city-status-in-the-city-it-is-impossible-to-get)

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*Akila*, November 20, 2014

<http://www.akilanews.com/19112014/gujarat-news/1416411352-26365>

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## **Adalaj step-well will be decorated for Water fest, Ahmedabad**

Water festival will be organized at Adalaj step-well on the last day of heritage week celebration. The ancient step-well will be decorated for the festival. *Gujarat Samachar Plus*, November 24, 2014

[http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display\\_article/having-decoration-of-adalaj-vav-sajase-water-fest](http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display_article/having-decoration-of-adalaj-vav-sajase-water-fest)

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## **400-year-old stepwell wasted in Gujarat**

AHMEDABAD: It's noon. The rutted Isanpur-Vatva road is clogged with honking vehicles and people dashing from one side to another. But if you manage to cross the road near Hajarat Gaiban Shah Peer dargah, you will notice a short and frail chaiwala serving his customers. As you stop, a torn curtain will draw your eyes. The moment you peek from behind the curtain, you will be taken back to the forgotten era of stepwells of Gujarat. *Times of India*, November 23, 2014

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ahmedabad/400-year-old-stepwell-wasted-in-Gujarat/articleshow/45250560.cms>

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## **Unique carving of Siddi Saiyed's Jali, Ahmedabad**

*Divya Bhaskar*, November 23, 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-AHM-c-69-1086152-NOR.html>

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## **Sarkhej Roza, unique Roza with mosque, palace, tomb and lake, Ahmedabad**

*Divya Bhaskar*, November 23, 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-AHM-sarkhej-roza-is-the-one-which-has-mosque-palace-mausoleum-lake-4816329-PHO.html>

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## **Beautiful ancient Dada Hari-ni-Vav located in Asarava, Ahmedabad**

*Divya Bhaskar*, November 23, 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-AHM-c-69-1086151-NOR.html>

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## **Youth volunteers clean 500-year-old Sevasi Vav, Vadodara**

A city-based wildlife NGO joined hands with an Ahmedabad-based NGO to clean Sevasi Vav. The volunteers from Historical and Cultural Research Centre (HCRC), Ahmedabad visited Sevasi Vav and cleaned the site along with residents and volunteers from city-based NGO Canine Group Association (CGA) on Friday morning. *Times of India*, November 22, 2014

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/vadodara/Youth-volunteers-clean-500-year-old-Sevasi-Vav/articleshow/45236229.cms>

*Divya Bhaskar, November 21, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-VAD-MAT-latest-vadodara-news-051003-886317-NOR.html>

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### **Ancient 72 Kota step-well in dilapidated condition, Mehsana**

The ancient 72 Kota step-well located in Mehsana is in dilapidated condition. On the other hand, heritage week is celebrated in the world. *Divya Bhaskar, November 22, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/UGUJ-MEH-heritage-step-well-situation-worst-in-city-4815369-NOR.html>

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### **Patan's ancient Toting palace to the brink of extinction**

Patan's Ranki Vav is has received place in the world heritage list. On the other hand, the ancient Toting palace is on the edge of extinction. The administration is ignorant towards its maintenance. *Divya Bhaskar, November 22, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/UGUJ-PAT-MAT-latest-patan-news-030006-890121-NOR.html>

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### **Awareness rally for school children during heritage week, Bhuj**

*Divya Bhaskar, November 22, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/KUT-BUJ-bhuj-city-student-drawing-pic-on-world-heritage-week-4815728-PHO.html>

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### **Inadequate human resource for preserving 361 ancient monuments, Rajkot**

There are many historical monuments in the state. Out of these, 361 monuments are under state archeological department and 202 monuments are under central archeological department. Ancient palace, step-well, gates, temples, towers, caves, shilalekh and so on are included in the list. However, identity of many of these monuments is deteriorating. *Gujarat Samachar, November 22, 2014*

[http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display\\_article/rajkot-gujarat-saurashtra-and-historical-heritage-monument](http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display_article/rajkot-gujarat-saurashtra-and-historical-heritage-monument)

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### **Hope of Surat castle's renovation rekindled**

SURAT: The conservation work of the 16th century Surat Castle, an important heritage structure in the city, is likely to begin in a couple of months. Surat Municipal Corporation (SMC) could soon award the contract worth Rs 18 crore to a Mumbai-based company for the restoration, re-use and development of Surat Castle under its heritage square project. The conservation project is already late by 18 months, sources said. *Times of India, November 21, 2014*

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/surat/Hope-of-Surat-castles-renovation-rekindled/articleshow/45224479.cms>

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*Gujarat Samachar, November 20, 2014*

[http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display\\_article/surat-gujarat-heritage](http://www.gujaratsamachar.com/index.php/articles/display_article/surat-gujarat-heritage)

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### **Now, tourists can stay with Gujarati families**

Gandhinagar: To promote tourism in the state and to give foreign visitors an ethnic Gujarati feel, the state government on Thursday made several exemptions for home-stays. According

to the state's new 'Stay Home' policy home-stays will be included in the tourism industry which will give a boost to their earnings and make more rooms available for tourists. *DNA*, November 21, 2014

[http://epaper.dnaindia.com/story.aspx?id=56946&boxid=4496&ed\\_date=2014-11-21&ed\\_code=1310005&ed\\_page=1](http://epaper.dnaindia.com/story.aspx?id=56946&boxid=4496&ed_date=2014-11-21&ed_code=1310005&ed_page=1)

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## **State govt unveils 'homestay' policy**

Aiming to cash in on the popularity of homestay concept among the national and global tourists and to boost the tourist footfall growth further, the Gujarat Government on Thursday unveiled its "homestay" policy. Under this policy, tourists who want to get the real feel of the state can have it by checking in at homes of locals and also taste the authentic Gujarati cuisine during their stay. *Indian Express*, November 21, 2014

<http://epaper.indianexpress.com/379271/Ahmedabad/21-November-2014#page/3/2>

*Ahmedabad Mirror*, November 21, 2014

<http://epaperbeta.timesofindia.com/Article.aspx?eid=31819&articlexml=Home-stay-policy-for-tourists-21112014008021>

*Divya Bhaskar*, November 21, 2014

<http://epaper.divyabhaskar.co.in/ahmedabad/12/21112014/0/1/>

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## **Sayajirao Gaekwad's palace in Amreli in dilapidated condition**

Sayajirao Gaekwad's palace located in Amreli is in dilapidated condition. It is essential to preserve the monument. *Sandesh*, November 21, 2014

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3012016>

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## **World Heritage Week: Classical opening for cultural fest**

On Wednesday, the first day of this year's heritage music festival at the newly renovated Bhadra Plaza, the stalwarts of music, brothers Pandit Rajan and Pandit Sajan Mishra, and tabla maestro Ustad Fazal Qureshi, left everyone spellbound with their mesmerizing performance. The festival connected the archeological magnificence of the city with cultural passion. They took the audience on a musical journey in time to the days of Sultan Ahmed Shah. *Times of India*, November 20, 2014

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ahmedabad/World-Heritage-Week-Classical-opening-for-cultural-fest/articleshow/45211648.cms>

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## **Gujarat's first world heritage site: Champaner is historical and beautiful**

*Divya Bhaskar*, November 20, 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news-hf/MGUJ-VAD-frist-world-haritege-site-of-gujarat-champaner-4813377-PHO.html>

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## **Tomb of ancient Dariyakhan in dilapidated condition, Ahmedabad**

*Navgujarat Samay*, November 20, 2014

<http://epaper.navgujaratsamay.com/details/3763-6300-1.html>

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## **World Heritage Week: Destiny is tryst with legacy, Ahmedabad**

In 1927, Sardar Patel had been put in a tight corner by people over pulling down of the Walled City's fort walls which were constricting development opportunities in Ahmedabad. The demolition had become a political issue during civic polls on May 31, 1927. Twenty-two

years later, the Sardar had to knock down complacency about preserving heritage. *Times of India*, November 19, 2014

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ahmedabad/World-Heritage-Week-Destiny-is-tryst-with-legacy/articleshow/45202337.cms>

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## **Damaged swinging minarets in Ahmedabad**

*Divya Bhaskar*, November 19, 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-AHM-MAT-latest-ahmedabad-news-033505-874096-NOR.html>

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## **World heritage week will be celebrated from today, Patan**

*Divya Bhaskar*, November 19, 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/UGUJ-PAT-MAT-latest-patan-news-050006-874980-NOR.html>

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## **Heritage week from today: 7 days, 7 places and 18 films**

*Divya Bhaskar*, November 19, 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/MGUJ-AHM-heritage-week-start-today-seven-day-18-film-4811725-NOR.html>

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## **Clean sweep in heritage week, Ahmedabad**

Across the globe, people will celebrate the World Heritage Week from November 19 to 25, cherishing local heritage and working to conserve it. But in Gujarat, except for the better known structures, historical edifices are on the brink of oblivion and many have been turned into garbage dumping grounds. A team from the city has thus fused the mission of the Prime Minister to clean India with the heritage week celebrations. A team of 10 from the city, a part of the Ahmedabad-based Historical and Cultural Research Center, will embark on a journey on November 19 from Patan (Anhilwad) to reach to Patan (Prabhas) on November 25. The team will cover 12 locations during the week during which they will mobilize local residents by conducting walks to important monuments and then cleaning them up. *Times of India*, November 18, 2014

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ahmedabad/Clean-sweep-in-heritage-week/articleshow/45183188.cms>

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## **Ancient Jain temple to be renovated, Bhuj**

Ancient Jain temple located in Mankuva was damaged during the earthquake. The 133 year old temple will be renovated at an approximate cost of Rs. 3.50 crores. *Divya Bhaskar*, November 17, 2014

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/KUT-BUJ-ancient-jain-temple-will-be-renovate-in-bhuj-4809426-PHO.html?OF10>

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## **700 year old historic lake dirty and mucky, Dabhoi**

*Sandesh*, November 17, 2014

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3010000>

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## **Collector orders local administration to preserve ancient stepwells, Himmatnagar**

World heritage week will be celebrated from 19<sup>th</sup> November. To keep the heritage monuments intact, the district collector has planned a new initiative. He has asked local administrations including gram panchayats, district panchayats and municipalities to preserve the ancient monuments. *Sandesh*, November 16, 2014

<http://www.sandesh.com/article.aspx?newsid=3009779>

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## **Plea for protection to Moti Shahi palace turned down, Ahmedabad**

Gujarat high court on Friday rejected a PIL against the 'defacing' of the Moti Shahi palace - a 17th century Mughal structure in Shahibaug - on the ground that it is not a protected monument. The court said that its present occupant, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Memorial Society, is free to make alterations in the historic monument. *Times of India, November 15, 2014*

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ahmedabad/Plea-for-protection-to-Moti-Shahi-palace-turned-down/articleshow/45154542.cms>

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## **Ancient palace deteriorating, Surat**

The condition of the ancient palace established in 1540 in Surat is deteriorating. *Divya Bhaskar, November 15, 2014*

<http://www.divyabhaskar.co.in/news/DGUJ-SUR-MAT-latest-surat-news-035012-852390-NOR.html>

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