

ORCHHA- PHOTO ESSAY

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THE OUTCOME OF PHOTOGRAPHS
TAKEN BY STUDENTS DURING R.S.P
TRIP TO ORCHHA IN DECEMBER 86.

THE PRESENT SELECTION IS
FROM A COLLECTION OF ABOUT 800
PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN BY THE
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3 SALIL RANADIVE

4 RAJIV NARAIN

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6 MANISH DOSHI

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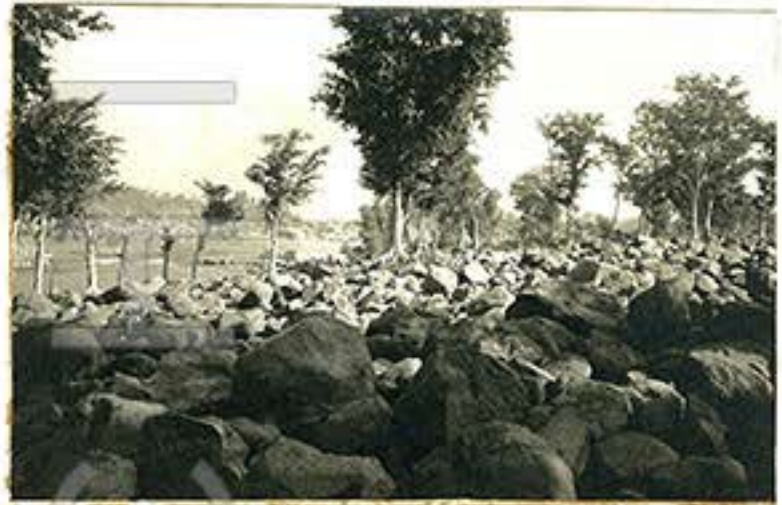
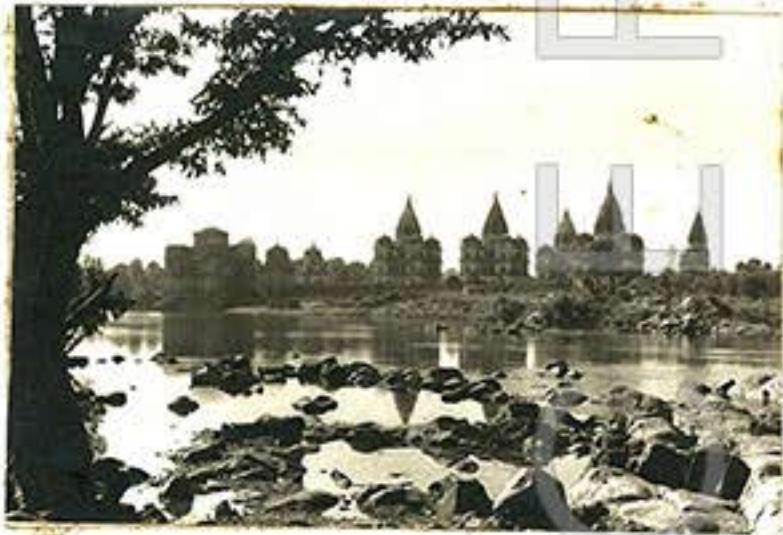
ORCHHA







ORCHHA - TOWN AND LANDSCAPE



Family tree

Sohan Pal
(later half of the 13th century)

RUDRA PRATAP
(1501-1531)

BHARTI CHAND I
(1531-1554)

MADHUKAR SHAH
(1554-1592)

HAORAL DEO
(died 1577)

RAM SINGH
(1592-1604)

INDRAJIT

BIR SINGH DEO
(1605-1627)

PRATAP

JUJHAR SINGH
(1627-1635)

PAHAR SINGH
(1641-1653)

SUJAN SINGH
(1653-1672)

INDRAMANI

JASWANT SINGH
(1675-1684)

BHAGWAT SINGH
(1684-1699)

UDAIT SINGH
(1689-1735)

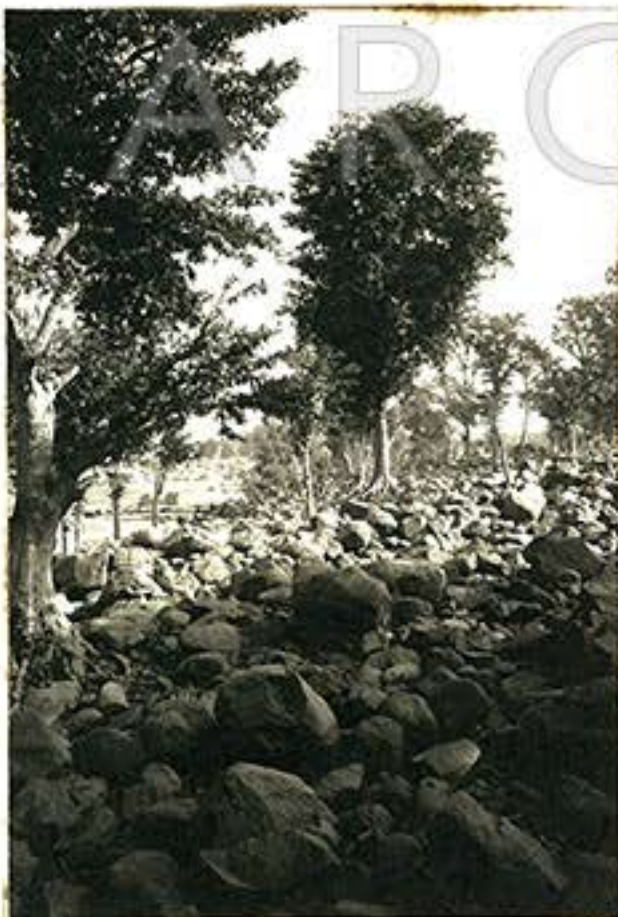
PRITHVI SINGH
(1735-1752)

HATEY SINGH
(1767-1768)

MAN SINGH
(1768-1775)

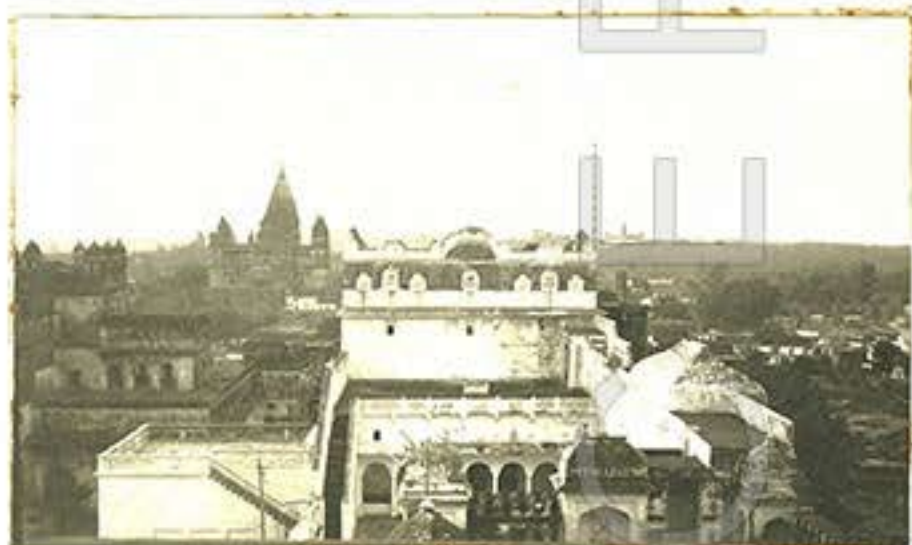
BHARATI CHAND II
(1775-1776)

VIKRAMJIT
(1776-1776)





PALACE COMPLEX



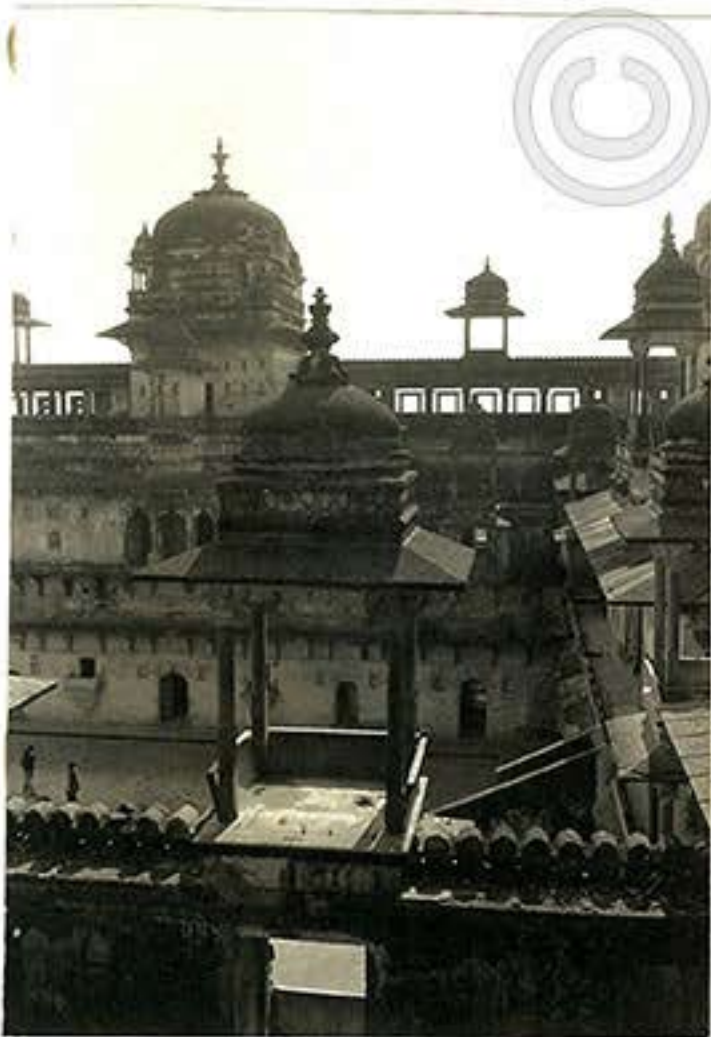
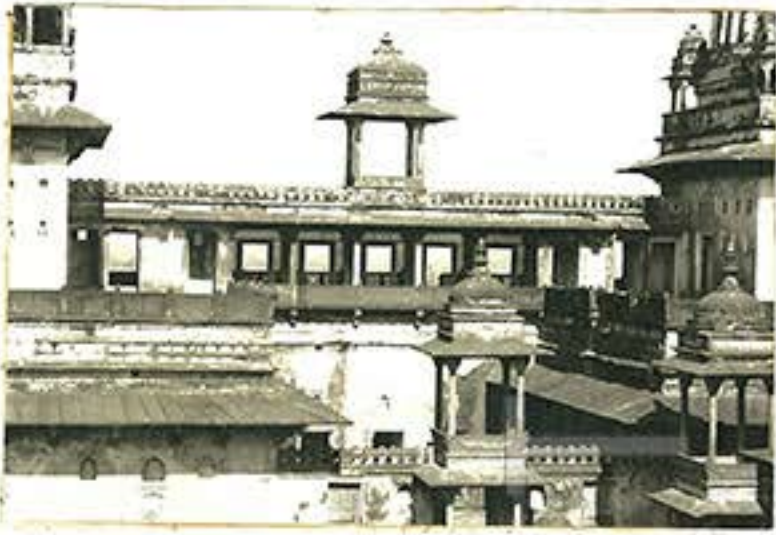
RAJ MAHAL





JAHANGIR MAHAL





RAY PRAVEEN MAHAL







HARDAUL KA BAIHAKA

LAXMI TEMPLE

Laxmi temple, on the outskirts of Orchha, is the temple of goddess of wealth. Situated on a hill overlooking the town and the surrounding, the temple is almost square in plan. Having a fort like character, the temple has two floor, the ground floor and the roof. It also has a basement, which is in an inaccessible condion. The conustruction is simple masonry type.

THE temple is well-known for its beautiful wall paintings in the interior.





Ground floor- courtyard



GROUND FLOOR- cour tyard



On the roof.....



Exterior



On the roof.....



On the roof.....



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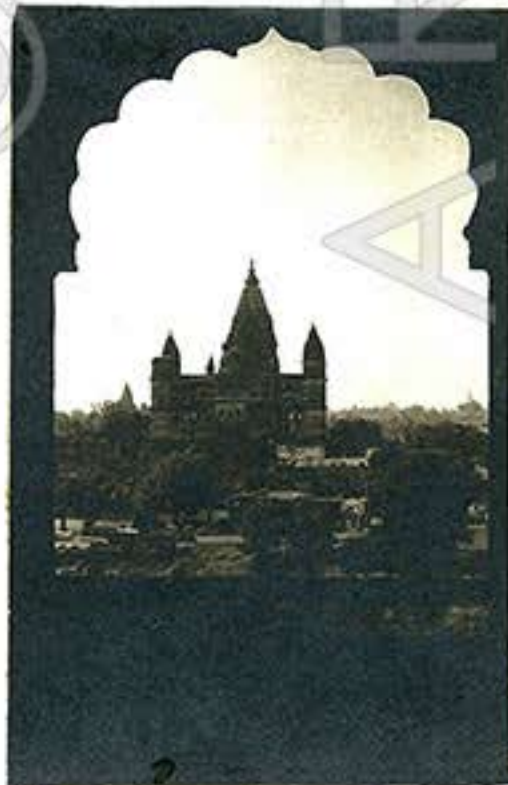


Wallpaintings





CHATTURBHUJ TEMPLE



Fort of Garh Kundar

56 Km., from Orchha, in the dacoit infested area, stands the fort of Garh - Kundar , unlooked- after and deserted. It's past glory can still be felt in the architecture of the fort.

Situated on a hill , it is almost hidden in the black rocks.

In the late 12th century , Khub Singh of the Khangar clan established a capital at Garh Kundar. Sohan Pal , the Bundela king , defeated the Kangar king in the 2nd half of the 13 th century , and established himself at Garh Kundar . But some scholars believe that it was not the Bundelas , but the muslims who defeated Kangar and reached Garh Kundar . Anyhow , Sohan Pal was succeeded by 8 rulers , till Bharti Chand shifted his capital from Garh Kundar to Orchha , in 1531 A.D.

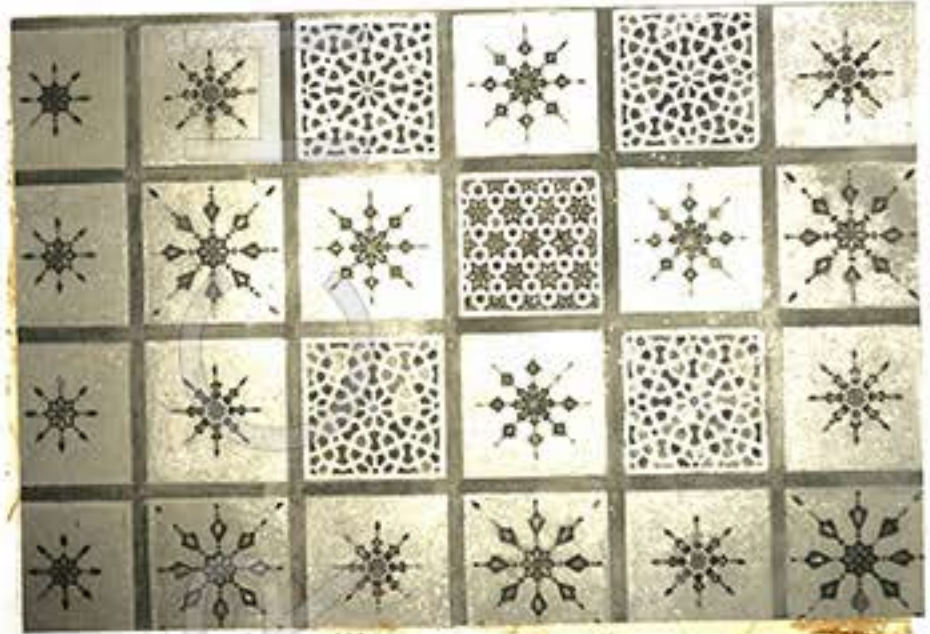
The view from the parapets of the fort is breath - taking , and the only treasure one can take from the fort .





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JAHNSI

