Source Evaluation Form

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| What is the question you are trying to answer with this research? |

Why Ahmedabad (India ) is known as “city of heritage”.

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| Citation Information (Complete as Relevant) |
| Author of Article/Webpage ND |
| Title of Article/Webpage Historic City of Ahmadabad |
| Title of Journal, Vol No., Iss. No. |
| Title of Website World Heritage list |
| Complete Website URL https://whc.unesco.org/en/list/1551 |
| Date Website Found; Website Host 2000 |

**CRITERIA #1: Authority**Authority with regard to topic—**Why does this author have credibility?** | (1=Low; 5=High)

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| **Criteria and types of evidence** | **How the Web site being evaluated met the criterion** | Ratings | | | | |
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| **Please provide the following:**  • Author of site or article  • Author’s credentials, expertise, or experience • URL type | This article is published by UNESO and this is an recognize institute however the name of author is not mentioned. |  |  |  |  |  |

**CRITERIA #2: Objectivity**Objectivity—Is the source biased or objective? | (1=Low; 5=High)

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| **Please Provide the Following:**  • Tell whether the source is biased or not • If the source is biased, tell how you know  • What is the point the source is trying to make? • Is it free of advertising? If  not, is advertising related to  the content? | Source is objective there is nothing biased in it. It is free of advertising and run by UNESO. |  |  |  |  |  |

**CRITERIA #3: Accuracy**Accuracy—is the information accurate? | (1=Low; 5=High)

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| **Please Provide the Following:**  • Is there a bibliography, footnotes, or work cited?  • Can you verify the information some other way? | No there is no foot note or bibliography found. Yes information can be verified with other online sources |  |  |  |  |  |

**CRITERIA #4: Currency**

Currency—is the information current? | (1=Low; 5=High)

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| **Please Provide the Following:**  • Is the research recent?  • If a Web page, provide the date-stamp • If an article, provide the publication date of article or journal | It is published in 2017 and there is no information of update. |  |  |  |  |  |

**CRITERIA #5: Usability**Usability—is the source well designed and scholarly? | (1=Low; 5=High)

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| **Please Provide the Following:**  • Organization logical  • Information presented is error-free (spelling,  punctuation)  • Readily identifiable link back to the institutional or  organizational home page  • Site reliably accessible | Organization is very good. No spelling or logical error found.  Yes, it is linked with main page/ home page of website. |  |  |  |  |  |

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| Your Assessment of Source | |
| **Rating** based on the total number of points:  5-9 points: poor  10-14 points: fair  15-19 points: good  20-25 points: excellent \_\_\_\_\_\_23\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | **Your personal assessment**—would you recommend this site or journal? Why or why not?  Yes, I would recommend this site to general audience. Details and facts are well presented only lacking is author’s name and sources. |

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| Your Summary of Source |
| Please provide a brief summary of **5-7 sentences** of your source. Do not evaluate (i.e. did you like it, or it covered a, then b), just **summarize**. |

This is from the world heritage list site and it is controlled and run by UNESO. It provide detailed information, but the issue is related to the credentials of author / name is not provided for this article. I like this article and would like to recommend it to all who are interested in World heritage or historical places. This is are reliable site and anyone can use it according to one’s need.

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| What is the question you are trying to answer with this research? |

Why Ahmedabad Is different from other cities?

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| Citation Information (Complete as Relevant) |
| Author of Article/Webpage Mahadevia, Darshini; Desai, Renu; Vyas, Suchita |
| Title of Article/Webpage City profile : Ahmedabad |
| Title of Journal, Vol No., Iss. No. |
| Title of Website IDRC Digital Library |
| Complete Website URL https://idl-bnc-idrc.dspacedirect.org/handle/10625/55670 |
| Date Website Found; Website Host 2017 |

**CRITERIA #1: Authority**Authority with regard to topic—**Why does this author have credibility?** | (1=Low; 5=High)

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| **Please provide the following:**  • Author of site or article  • Author’s credentials, expertise, or experience • URL type | This article is published in IDRC Digital Library and all the three authors are Professors of center for Urban Equity, CEPT University)and this is working paper. |  |  |  |  |  |

**CRITERIA #2: Objectivity**Objectivity—Is the source biased or objective? | (1=Low; 5=High)

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| **Please Provide the Following:**  • Tell whether the source is biased or not • If the source is biased, tell how you know  • What is the point the source is trying to make? • Is it free of advertising? If  not, is advertising related to  the content? | It is general information nothing biased in it. It is free from advertising and free pdf available on line. |  |  |  |  |  |

**CRITERIA #3: Accuracy**Accuracy—is the information accurate? | (1=Low; 5=High)

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**CRITERIA #4: Currency**

Currency—is the information current? | (1=Low; 5=High)

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| **Criteria and types of evidence** | **How the Web site being evaluated met the criterion** | Ratings | | | | |
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| **Please Provide the Following:**  • Is the research recent?  • If a Web page, provide the date-stamp • If an article, provide the publication date of article or journal | Research is not recent ,. It is done in 2014 and after that no update done in this paper. |  |  |  |  |  |

**CRITERIA #5: Usability**Usability—is the source well designed and scholarly? | (1=Low; 5=High)

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| **Please Provide the Following:**  • Organization logical  • Information presented is error-free (spelling,  punctuation)  • Readily identifiable link back to the institutional or  organizational home page  • Site reliably accessible | It is logical with no spelling or punctuation error. Site is reliability access and yes, it is linked with college . |  |  |  |  |  |

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| Your Assessment of Source | |
| **Rating** based on the total number of points:  5-9 points: poor  10-14 points: fair  15-19 points: good  20-25 points: excellent \_\_22\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | **Your personal assessment**—would you recommend this site or journal? Why or why not?  Yes as the assessment score is 22 so I would like to recommend it . |

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| Your Summary of Source |
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It is recommended site and there is no issues of source reliability. It is library site and no commercial element there. It is good for general audience and an academic source. The author date and sources are well described. It can be accessed easily and free to use.

Source Evaluation Form -3

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| What is the question you are trying to answer with this research? |

Why Ahmedabad (India ) is known as “city of heritage”?

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| Citation Information (Complete as Relevant) |
| Author of Article/Webpage VIDYA RAJA |
| Title of Article/Webpage How Ahmedabad Became India’s First UNESCO-Recognized World Heritage City |
| Title of Journal, Vol No., Iss. No. |
| Title of Website The Better India |
| Complete Website URL  https://www.thebetterindia.com/108053/ahmedabad-indias-first-unesco-recognised-world-heritage-city/ |
| Date Website Found; Website Host 2017 |

**CRITERIA #1: Authority**Authority with regard to topic—**Why does this author have credibility?** | (1=Low; 5=High)

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| **Please provide the following:**  • Author of site or article  • Author’s credentials, expertise, or experience • URL type | Yes author name is there, and he is a professional/ senior article writer for better India. |  |  |  |  |  |

**CRITERIA #2: Objectivity**Objectivity—Is the source biased or objective? | (1=Low; 5=High)

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**CRITERIA #3: Accuracy**Accuracy—is the information accurate? | (1=Low; 5=High)

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| **Please Provide the Following:**  • Is there a bibliography, footnotes, or work cited?  • Can you verify the information some other way? | No bibliography or source list available. no it is not possible to verify information |  |  |  |  |  |

**CRITERIA #4: Currency**

Currency—is the information current? | (1=Low; 5=High)

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