

# KALCHURI TEMPLE ARCHITECTURE

## Main Features of Kalchuri Temples

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- After the Prabhat dynasty the new rulers came in the different areas in which Kalchuri dynasty was also very famous. Their capital was Tripuri. Hence Jabolpur (M.P.)
- Starting from 9<sup>th</sup> century to 13<sup>th</sup> cent. this dynasty ruled over this region. They did not only the fantastic works but also great architect of beautiful temples.
- Ishwarkantak which is also referred as the king of pilgrimage situated at ~~Gadiddahat~~ Anuppur district of M.P.
- The main ruler who loved conducting beautiful temple was Karna (1042-1072 AD). He also made Kornatirth ghat near Camgeri in Prayag.
- Temples are situated just at the back of Kavermaula Kund towards the south.
- Also the beautiful architecture was Patleshwar Mahadev Temple and Machhindra Nath Temple in this region.

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⇒ The temple style belongs to Magen style of architecture and it is crowned with Panch Rathas. Shikhara an has pyramidal madap.

⇒ Karna Temple is the largest and most prominent temple. Other temples are Jhilar temple, Vishnu temple and Shiva temple.

⇒ Another interesting temple is the Pancha Math temple. It is a series of five small temple of different architectural style than decorated on a single raised platform.

⇒ The temple side is protected by a fort.

⇒ Magen style is affected by Orissa influence. because of the nearby Ghati.

⇒ The Shikhara is suspended with two smallares which are further surpassed by a Kalash or chudamani placed in front of the sanctum sanctorum.

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## Important Temples -

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Kasmer Temple - It is a most popular temple made by 'Kolchuri' king Kasna. It is also called Triyatra Temple. It is a set of 3 temple 'Suknesika' is present in temple.

Siva Temple - This Siva temple is also called Machhendranath temple. On the basis of Panchratha plan it is made. It is constructed over a high platform.

Keshnay - Nayan Temple - It is a Vishwany Machhendranath temple. It is also a set of two temples in which both share the same Mandapa.

Paleshwari Temple - It is a Shiv temple with garbaghar, antral and Madapa. Similar architecture of Machhendranath temple.

Johila Devi Temple → It is west to Paleshwari temple. Based on Triyatra Plan. The Statue of Goddess is broken.

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Made on a high platform with Panchmukhi Shikhar. Lived and Chamunda are dancing in the temple. Doubtless it is given on the Shikhar.

Kharod → St is in Bilaspur C.G.) Shiv temple → Two human shapes, one made in Enhanced Chanda - Yamuna.

Sohagpur → St is in the Shandroli district → It is a Vishnu temple → Saptashat, Crabghar, Mandapa, Andra, one like the Kanaderry Mahadev temple. Shikhar was decorated with three Admala.

Above Kalchuri temple mainly situated in Tripuri but some others spreaded in entire region are specie like the Kayuraho for Chandels Tripuri is for Kalchuri.