Buddhist Architecture in



Nyarma

The former monasterial site o Nyarma is located 20 km in the East of Leh within the vegetati onal belt of the Hindus (river not far away from Thikse, the administrative district to which the site belongs today.

The village Nyarma is situated in the immediate proximity of the old site and consists of 23 houses counting about 100 inhabitants.

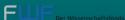
In the year 1992, the inhabitants of Nyarma founded the Nyarma Society, i.e. a societ presided over by the headla ma of the monastery in Thikse Rev Chamba Nawang Slanzir with the aim of guaranteein; the conservation and protection of the remaining building structures.

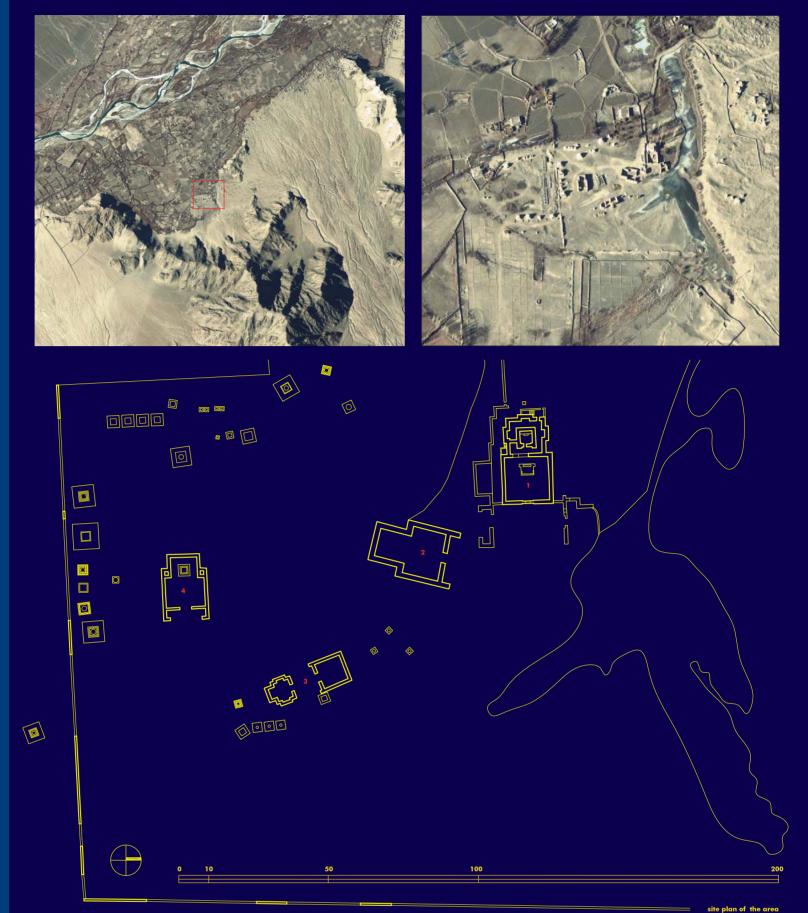
Building Technique

As regards the building technique, important and at the same time instructive insight into the used material and the shape of the bricks can be derived from the differing state opreservation of the brickworl masonry.

At the same time, the structure and property of the various layers of plastering can be observed in some places. Similarly, several remnants of consoles allow for the reconstruction of the decoration of the statues, whereas most traces of paintings are – except for one Stupa

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The Ruins of Nyarma

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