

Lower and Upper Fort, Aguada

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Aguada Fortress

The Fort Aguada, built of laterite stone in AD 1812, comprises of a lower fort with bastions all around and an upper fort. The lower fort, besides offering a safe berth to Portuguese ships, was also their water storing point - for the place had a perennial water supply. The word Aguada in Portuguese means a “watering place”. The upper fort, located about 200 feet above sea level comprises of a moat, underground water storage chamber, lighthouse, gunpowder room and bastions. It also has a secret escape passage to use during the time of emergency. The storage capacity of the tank is 23,76,000 gallons.

Contributions solicited in the range of Rs. 75 - 100 Lakhs for following activities:

1. Landscaping.
2. Flood lightening.
3. Tourist amenities.
4. Conservation of fallen fortification wall and structure.
5. Pathway for visitor movement.
6. Grill barricades.
7. Publication counter. Interpretation Centre.



Fortification wall of Aguada Fortress

The fortress Aguada has a lower fortification wall of laterite with a moat running from east to west following the contour of the land. This was built in AD 1612 by Portuguese Armadas for keeping close watch on intruders entering into the Mandovi River.