Tell Mozan Monitoring Checklist

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All checklist items must be documented with date-stamped photographs.

Archaeological Areas

Temple Area

	Task	Purpose	Photo Required
☒	Overview, General inspection	General Check	Yes
☒	Check temple area for erosion, debris, vegetation	Site Maintenance and Visitors — Visitor safety & preservation	Yes
☒	Inspect plaster on temple structure	Site Preservation — Identify surface deterioration	Yes
☒	Check for weed removal	Site Maintenance and Risks Prevention — growth damage, fire prevention	Yes
☒	Inspect paths: cleanliness and visibility	Site Maintenance and Visitors — Visitor safety & appearance	Yes
☒	Inspect Temple panorama (paint, assess structural condition, clean glass, paper condition, laminate and replace worn or missing pages, repaint the exterior to blend with the environment, the casing)	Site Maintenance and Visitors — Public communication quality and Interpretive quality, visitor, visibility, durability, aesthetic presentation, visual integration	Yes

☒	Inspect panorama and panels (paint, structure, clean dirt and glue residue, laminate and replace worn or missing pages, scrape and repaint metal structures if needed)	Site Maintenance and Visitors — Visitor guidance and interpretive quality, durability, aesthetic presentation	Yes
☒	Verify no unauthorized burning activity	Risks Prevention — Site safety	Yes
	Additional Points and Notes: **There are no observations to report in the temple area, no weeds or burning activity. I would like to note that mortar will be applied between the stones on the staircase and in other areas soon. The panorama also requires repainting, as mentioned in the previous report, and some of the cement blocks forming the pathways need to be renewed as well. All of this work will be carried out after the completion of plastering on the protective systems in the palace area.**		

Monumental Staircase

	Task	Purpose	Photo Required
☒	Overview, General inspection	General Check	Yes
☒	Verify no unauthorized burning activity	Risks Prevention — Site safety	Yes
☒	Inspect stones, plaster joints	Site Preservation and Maintenance — Structural preservation	Yes
☒	Inspect clear vegetation and debris	Site Preservation, Maintenance, and Visit — Safety and conservation	Yes
☒	Check for weed removal	Site Maintenance and Risks Prevention — Fire prevention	Yes
☒	Inspect clean paths	Site Maintenance and Visitors — Visitor safety & appearance	Yes
☒	Inspect panels (paint, structure, clean dirt and glue residue, laminate and replace worn or missing pages, scrape and repaint metal structures if needed)	Site Maintenance and Visitors — Visitor guidance and interpretive quality, durability, aesthetic presentation	Yes

Additional Points and Notes: **There are no weeds, the other points I mentioned above.**

Excavation Areas (J1, J5)

	Task	Purpose	Photo Required
☒	Overview, General inspection	General Check	Yes
☒	Check for wall cracks/collapses (J1)	Site Preservation — Structural risk	Yes
☒	Check for weed removal	Site Maintenance and Risks Prevention — Fire prevention	Yes
☒	Inspect clean paths	Site Maintenance and Visitors — Visitor safety & appearance	Yes
☒	Inspect protective burlap J1	Site Maintenance — Ensure structural protection	Yes
☒	Assess protective system (tarps, sandbags)	Site Preservation — Weather protection	Yes
☒	Replace deteriorated sandbags (esp. under J1 section)	Site Preservation — Prevent collapse	Yes
☒	Check and Clean staircase at J5	Site Preservation, Maintenance, and Visit — Visitor access & safety	Yes
☒	Inspect panels (paint, structure, clean dirt and glue residue, laminate and replace worn or missing pages, scrape and repaint metal structures if needed)	Site Maintenance and Visitors — Visitor guidance and interpretive quality, durability, aesthetic presentation	Yes
☒	Verify no unauthorized burning activity	Risks Prevention — Site safety	Yes
	Additional Points and Notes: **Here as well, the cement blocks in the pathways could be replaced, and the worn-out sandbags in sectors J1 and J5 could also be replaced. The area is generally clean, with no dirt or weeds.**		

Abi Complex

	Task	Purpose	Photo Required
☒	Overview, General inspection	General Check	Yes
☒	Check dome and shaft structure	Site Maintenance — Structural integrity	Yes
☒	Check for weed removal	Site Maintenance and Risks Prevention — Fire prevention	Yes
☒	Inspect clean path	Site Maintenance and Visitors — Visitor safety & appearance	Yes
☒	Assess cleanliness of *abi* interior	Site Visit — Visitor safety	Yes
☒	Inspect the entrance metal sheets (rust, dents)	Site Maintenance — Protective function	Yes
☒	Check the paint touch-up for the entrance	Site Maintenance — Prevent corrosion	Yes
☒	Inspect panels (paint, structure, clean dirt and glue residue, laminate and replace worn or missing pages, scrape and repaint metal structures if needed)	Site Maintenance and Visitors — Visitor guidance and interpretive quality, durability, aesthetic presentation	Yes
☒	Verify no unauthorized burning activity	Risks Prevention — Site safety	Yes
	Additional Points and Notes: **The area is generally clean, with no weeds or dirt**		

	Palace Area		
	Task	**Purpose**	**Photo Required**
☒	Overview, General inspection	General Check	Yes
☒	Check for weed removal	Site Maintenance and Risks Prevention — Fire prevention	Yes
☒	Inspect clean paths	Site Maintenance and Visitors — Visitor safety & appearance	Yes
☒	Inspect protective burlap (esp. Wall C2-3 and H3–H1)	Site Maintenance — Ensure structural protection	Yes
☒	Check for cracks or collapse (esp. Wall C2-3)	Site Maintenance — Prevent structural failure	Yes
☒	Inspect plastic and nylon sheeting	Site Maintenance — Assess water infiltration protection	Yes
☒	Check sewage cover in Room C5	Site Maintenance — Safety hazard prevention	Yes
☒	Inspect Tannur cover in Royal Wing	Site Maintenance — Structural preservation	Yes
☒	Inspect the royal courtyard (area A16).	Site Maintenance — Prevent structural failure	Yes
☒	Inspect Palace panorama (paint, assess structural condition, clean glass, paper condition, laminate and replace worn or missing pages, repaint the exterior to blend with the environment, the casing)	Site Maintenance and Visitors — Public communication quality and Interpretive quality, visitor, visibility, durability, aesthetic presentation, visual integration	Yes
☒	Evaluate visual harmony of panorama casing	Site Visit — Aesthetic integration	Yes
☒	Inspect panels (paint, structure, clean dirt and glue residue, laminate and replace worn or missing pages, scrape and repaint metal structures if needed)	Site Maintenance and Visitors — Visitor guidance and interpretive quality, durability, aesthetic presentation	Yes
☒	Verify no unauthorized burning activity	Risks Prevention — Site safety	Yes

Additional Points and Notes:

The palace area is generally clean, with no weeds or dirt, except for the work area where the removal of old plaster from the walls is underway in preparation for applying the new plaster. I would also like to point out that the plastic sheeting (naylon) covering the walls under the protective systems is mostly worn out and has become brittle. Therefore, addressing this will be the next step after plastering, and it should be done alongside an assessment of the wall conditions.
Based on the weather forecast, there is a possibility of rain on November 10. So, it would be prudent to cover walls C1-1 and H3-H1. Some gaps were also noticed in the burlap, which will need to be sewn in the coming days, in addition to replacing some of it.
It is important to note that the plastering process delayed the completion of other work on the site, and I look forward to finishing the plastering soon

Reporting Procedure

Each point must be accompanied by:

A minimum of one clear, time-stamped photo

Notes on condition, action taken, or further action needed

Submit the checklist and photo archive to the site director and conservation lead by email

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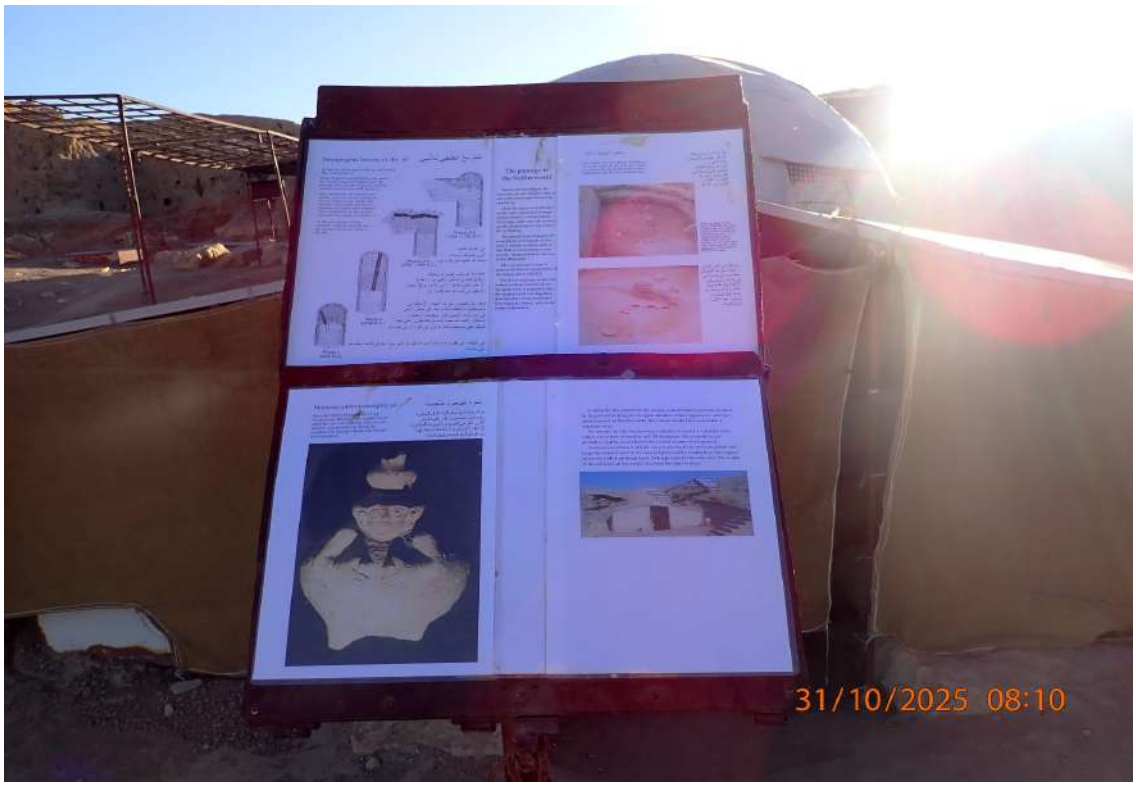
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