

11. SHAHAPUR FORT

Place - Shahapur

District : Yadgeri

Taluk : Surapur

Locality : Shahapur

Geo – Coordinates:

Lat : 16.511462 °N

Long : 76.754904 °E



History

The Shahpur fort is said to have been built originally, by the Rajas of Warangal, who named it Deodurg. But, no traces are left of it, now. The present fort was built by the Bahmani and the Adil Shahi rulers, as referred to by several Persian inscriptions. There is very little left now of the fort, except the eastern fortifications. On the top of the hill, there is an old temple of Shalvant Appa; as also a ruined mosque and two *Dargahs*.

The present fort is in ruins and only its gateways are intact. The fort is built on the edge of the eastern and western part of the hill. The Fort on the western part of the hill has a east facing gateway with an inscription. Gogi Darwaza situated to the west of the town on Gogi road has an inscription, which mentions Shahapur as Nasaratha bada. On either side of the gateway are two semi-circular bastions; the gateway entrances contain a blind arch.

To the east of the hill is a circular bastion, from here up to the first gate the fort is built of flat stone slabs [*chappadi*]. In the same vicinity is a east facing *mantapa* called Sealdir *Mantapa*, a few graves, two circular bastion and another east facing pillared *mantapa*. The pillars are slim and circular over its arches. Inside, to the west wall is the *mihrab*.

The fort on top of the hill has a east facing gateway and opposite to it is a big court.

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