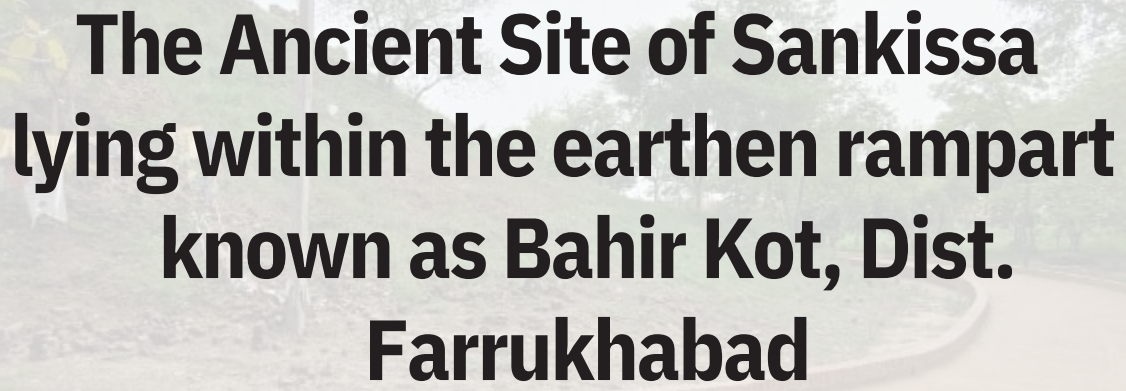


# Monuments of Uttar Pradesh under Lucknow Circle



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# The Ancient Site of Sankissa lying within the earthen rampart known as Bahir Kot, Dist. Farrukhabad

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## **Brief history of the monument:**

The Ancient Site of Sankissa lying within the earthen rampart known as Bahir Kot (27° 20' 3.145" N; 79° 16' 15.406" E), also known as Sankisa or Sankassa, is one of the 'Eight Great Places' of the Buddhist pilgrimage. It is situated in the Farrukhabad district of Uttar Pradesh. Sankisa or Sankissa, located about 37 kms west of Fatehgarh and about 40 kms far from Kannauj in north east, is of great historical importance. Sankisa has been mentioned in Sanskrit and Pali texts such as Ramayana, Tripitaka, Jataka and the accounts of Chinese travelers. The name of the place is written 'Sengkiashe' by the Chinese pilgrims, a spelling which is well preserved in the Sankisa of the present day, and which represents, with considerable faithfulness, the 'Sankasya' of Sanskrit. In Ramayana, it is mentioned as 'Sankasya' Nagar, which was ruled by king Kushadhwaja, a younger brother of Janaka. In Tripitaka, the place is believed to be the site where Buddha is said to have descended, with Brahma and Indra from the 'Trayastrinsa heaven' by a ladder of gold or gem, thus marking the place a centre of Buddhist pilgrimage.



## **PROPOSED WORK:**

Lucknow Circle, ASI is proposed to take up the work of development and up-gradation of amenities at the 'Ancient site of Sankisa lying within the earthen rampant known as Bahirkot' during current financial year i.e. 2024-25 in a project manner in which it aims to cover following public amenities and works:

1. Drinking water facilities
2. Toilets for Male, Female and Divyangjan at certain distance from the monuments
3. Arrangements of Benches for visitors/ tourists
4. Providing dustbins at appropriate places Submitted for kind perusal and information please.
5. CCTV camera for vigilance
6. Parking area
7. Providing solar lights at various locations of the premise
8. Cloak room
9. Baby Care room

**Estimated cost of the proposed work is Rs. 143 lakh**