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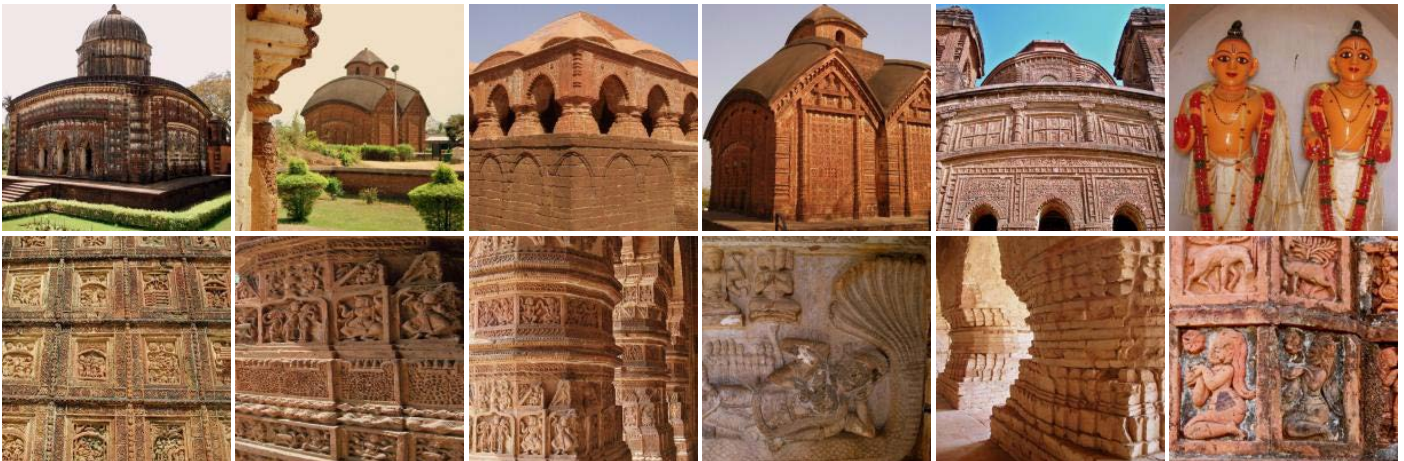
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The following images are of the temple of Vaishnava kings of Malla dynasty who ruled during the Gupta period, built from AD 695 onwards. Bishnupur is known as the temple town of West Bengal. The intricately carved terracotta panels on the temple walls depict various scenes from Krishna's life, Ramayana and Mahabharata. The terracotta temples here are the best specimens of the classical style of Bengal architecture.



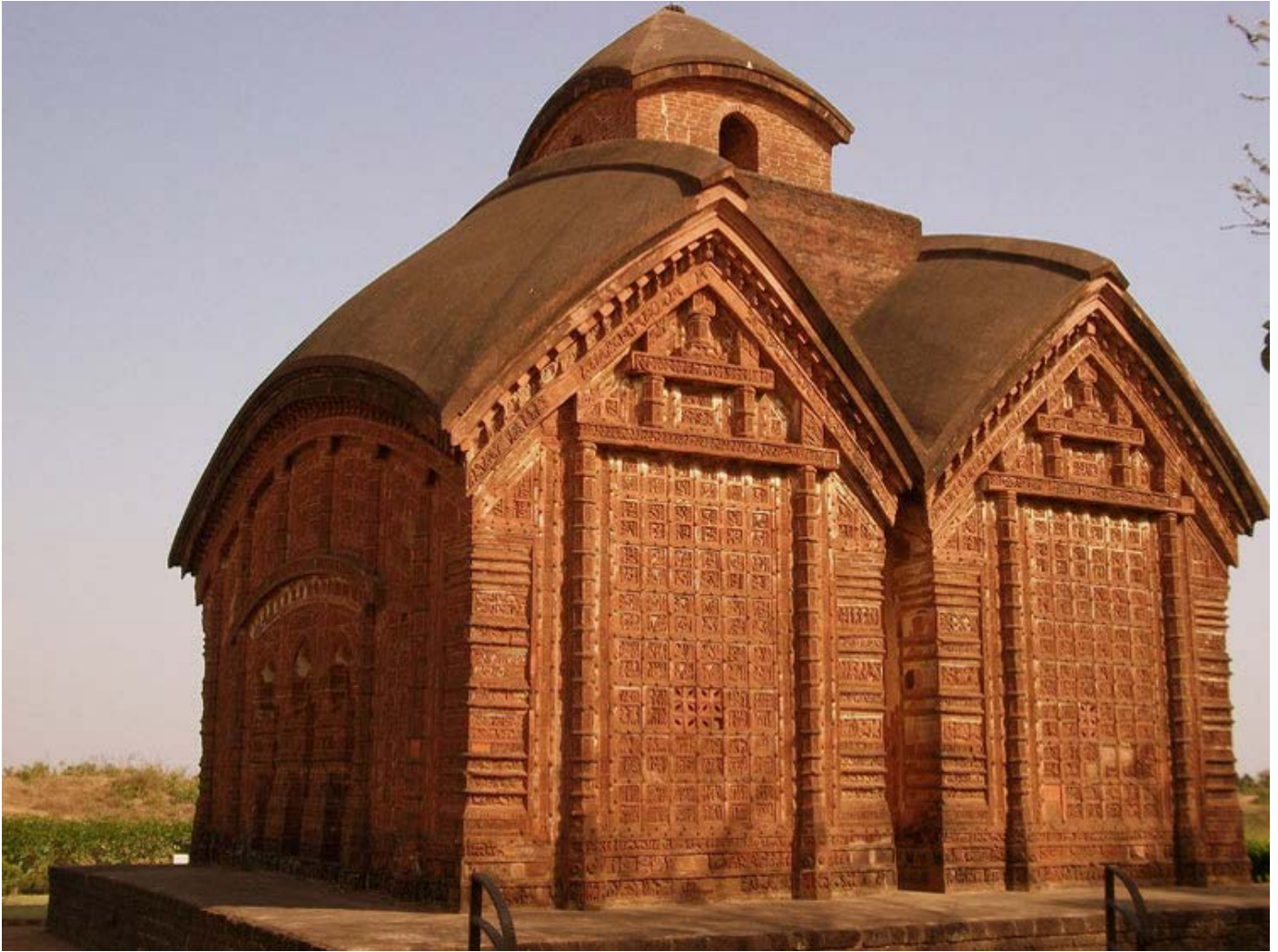
Nandalal Temple.



A view of Jor-bangla temple from Mahaprabhu temple.



Rasmancha, erected by Bir Hambir between 1557-1600 AD believed to be center of Ras festival.



Jor-bangla, erected by Raghunath Singha in 1655 AD it resembles the union of two hut-like structures.



Shyama Raya Temple built by RaghunathSingha in 1643 AD.



Madan-Mohan idols in the temple that are still worshipped.



Terracota tiles on Shyama Raya temple depicting scenes from Mahabharata and Krishna Leela.



The cornices of Shyama Raya temple carved with friezes showing musicians and lively dancers.



Intricately carved pillars in Madanmohan temple depicting instances from the life of Lord Krishna.



Vishnu resting on sheshnag.



Pillars in Rasmancha.



Scenes from Ramayana in terracotta on a temple premise.