

Press Release

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New Luxor Temple Lighting and the Development of the Ram Road in Luxor

Dr. Mamdouh El Damaty, Egyptian Minister of the Antiquities witnessed the opening of the Celebration Road known as the Ram Road in Luxor and the Lighting project for the Temple of Luxor .

Dr. El Damaty stated that these projects come as part of the national plan of the Ministry of Antiquities to protect and upgrade these areas in all governorates with a specific attention to Luxor as it is one of the most attractive tourist area for international and domestic tourism due to the unique monuments there. He refers to the new lighting project of the Luxor temple which will save nearly 75% of the electric energy used inside it .This new lighting will also protect the temple from the negative impacts of traditional lighting.

He stressed that the ministry is keen on using the modern technology in order to preserve the Egyptian heritage of antiquities , and discovering new treasures at the same time.

As for the development of the Ram Road, the final phases account for 37% of the project have been executed in collaboration with the National Service Authority at a cost of L.E 66.5 m. The first part of the project executed covered 350 meters of the temple ; having removed all infringements on the site and building a wall to protect the eastern side of the temple behind the rams . Besides, careful renovations for the statues have been made .

Furthermore, works have been terminated for the fifth part of the project in the area behind Luxor Library to extend to the airport road at a length of 600 meters, and 6 m wide 60cm- 60 cm thick path was established , in addition to a supporting wall for the western side behind Luxor Library. A wall behind the rams was also built using adobe at the interior part and an outer-wall running parallel to the road in addition to works for the renovation of the statues uncovered on the site were all done.