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This is an aerial view of Cave 15 at Ellora, India. In the middle, there is a small temple building carved from rock, and on three sides, the rock cliffs from which the building was carved as well as part of another building, which has deteriorated greatly. The temple sits high above the valley below, which is dotted with trees and a few small buildings. The Ellora Caves, carved mostly between the seventh and tenth centuries, were hewn from the stone faces of the Charanadari Hills into a series of temples and monasteries. Buddhists, Hindus, and Jains carved caves for each religion and lived side by side in peace. This particular temple was originally Hindi.



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