

SATI KA TALAB AND CHATTRI, HODAL, PALWAL

Sati ka Talab & Chattri 1765-67 A.D.

Monument

The Sati ka Talab is quite deep and has eight quays around it. The presence of corner quays is a unique feature of this tank. The tank used to receive considerable flow of rainwater from the eastern and southern side till 50 years ago. During the last several decades the catchment-area has been encroached upon by builders of colonies. The Chattri was built sometime between 1765-67 in the memory of Balram, brother of Kishori Devi and only son of Kashi Ram who was killed during the invasion of Delhi by Jawahar Singh. The body of Balram was brought to Hodal like an honorable General and assigned to flames on the bank of Sati ka Talab. When his body was being consigned to flames at Bharatpur, his wife Jaskaur wished to perform *sati*. Her wishes were fulfilled. The ashes of both the husband and wife were brought to Hodal and kept on a *chabutra* on which the temple is said to have been built. The temple of Sati was built a few years earlier than chattri.



Chattri