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Seta Temple Ruins (Kuwabatake Temple Ruins)

The Seta Temple Ruins are home to the remains of a Nara and Heian period temple, which excavations have revealed possessed a pagoda tower, main temple building, lecture hall, monks' temple quarters, hallways, roofed mud walls, a temple gate, etc. The remaining foundation stones and the positions of the buildings indicate that the temple's layout of a gate, pagoda tower, main temple building, and lecture hall aligned in a straight line is similar to that of Shitennoji Temple in Osaka. After the burning of Omi Kokubunji Temple during the Nara Period, it is also thought that this temple may have temporarily inherited its role and responsibilities.