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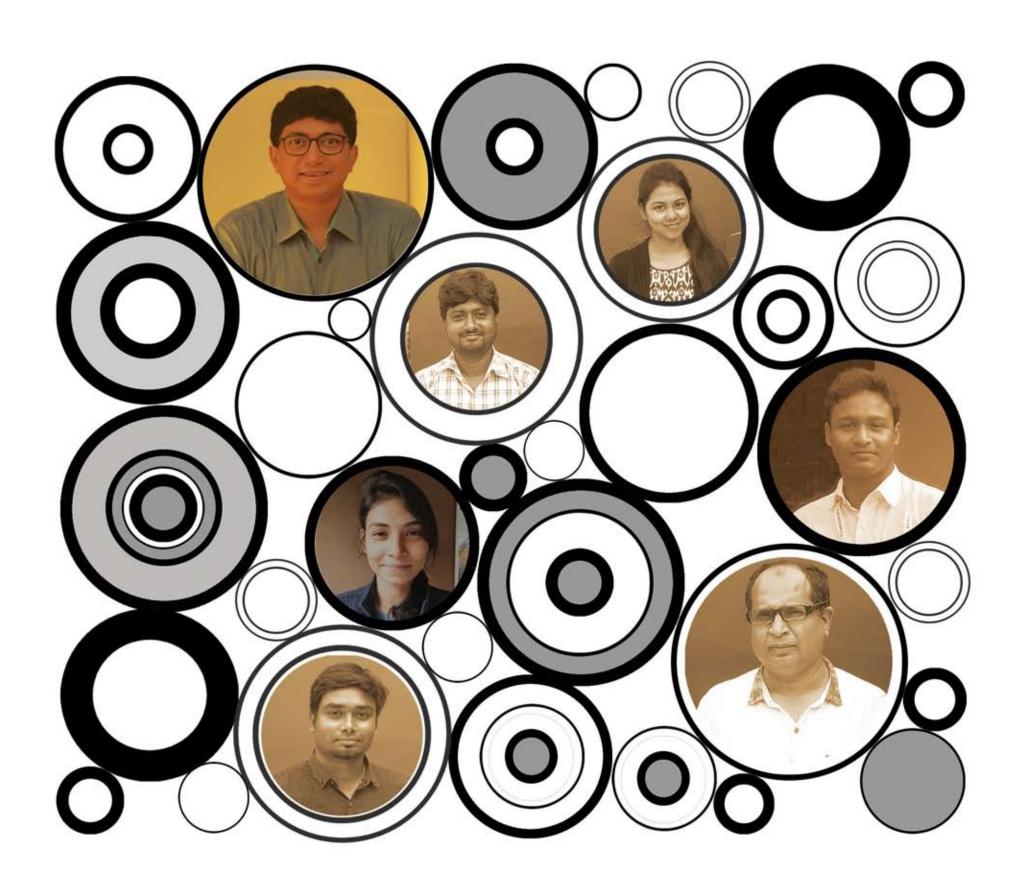


Interior



the **team**

Ayan Sen Architects Urban Designers & Planners (ASAUDP) was set up by Ayan Sen with himself as the lead Principal Architect, Urban Designer & Planner in the year 2005. Ayan's professional experience started after his graduation from the School of Architecture, CEPT, Ahmedabad in 1997. Post his initial professional training, he worked in cutting edge Indian practices at Ahmedabad and New Delhi and in stellar urban design and architecture firms in Washington DC and Pittsburgh. USA.



philosophy

ASAUDP was started in India with the thought of providing collaborative, creative and international professional systems in the growing architectural environs of emerging India. The premise, 'Locally Sensitive Regional thinking can get integrated with the best of International Practices and Systems' has been Ayan's founding pillar. Therefore, the philosophies and design ideologies have tried to invoke the regional vernacular and its expression in the modern contemporary idiom and integrate the two in a holistic manner.

Ayan has principally articulated himself in two languages - one of a contemporized colonial design which is inspired from both India's colonial past and her current awareness of her place in the world. The second language explores contemporary tropical expressions in an amalgamation with the local context. be it Calcutta or any other Indian metropolis. The projects, which are architectural expressions as a product of the context and these design languages, explore these at some length.



local language



critical regionalism



respecting contextuality

values

Our design philosophy helps us to create spaces which respects the context, and functionally tangible and viable. The holistic design development comes from an understanding of the project and the client needs and requirements with a respect to the economics of the project.

Our values talks of sustainability and its interaction with the external services. Ideas here in our office is generated in reply to the existing tropical architecture present in the context with an amalgamation of the fundamentals from the site. While it is equally important that the project must sit in the urban context and connects with the larger value system. Creation of spaces which respond to the people and the society has been the priority from the start as we harness the power to explore new boundaries of contemporary architecture.

the studio

Ayan Sen is a graduate of School of Architecture. CEPT. India and has done his masters from Massachusetts Institute of Technology. USA. He has been working on a range of Architecture. Urban Design and Planning Projects in the United States and India as well as consulted on several Real Estate and Economic Development initiatives.

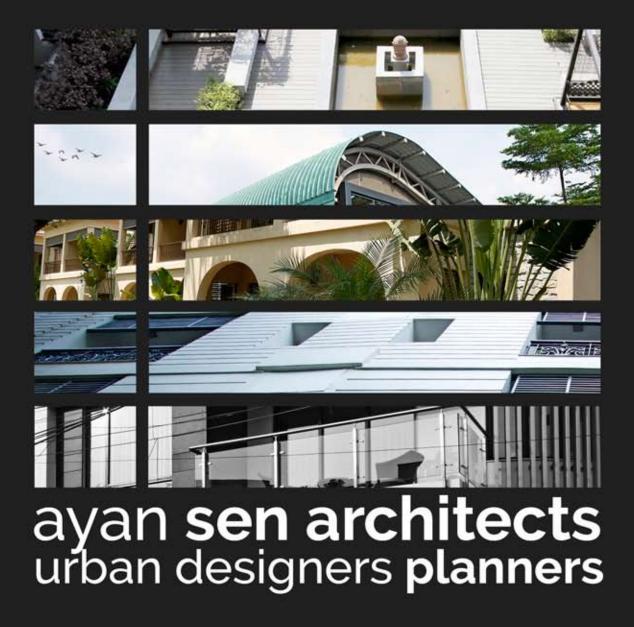
He provides specialized expertise in the areas of master planning for waterfronts and campuses including residential and mixed use projects. He has been involved with the design of the Anacostia Waterfront Initiative. Washington D.C.. a Mixed-use development for Pittsburgh Waterfront. University of Maryland Eastern Shore Campus and Military Base Reuse in the Metropolitan DC. Area. Master Planning of Townships. Canal fronts and Parkland planning are some of the projects in India that are being done by his firm.











residential

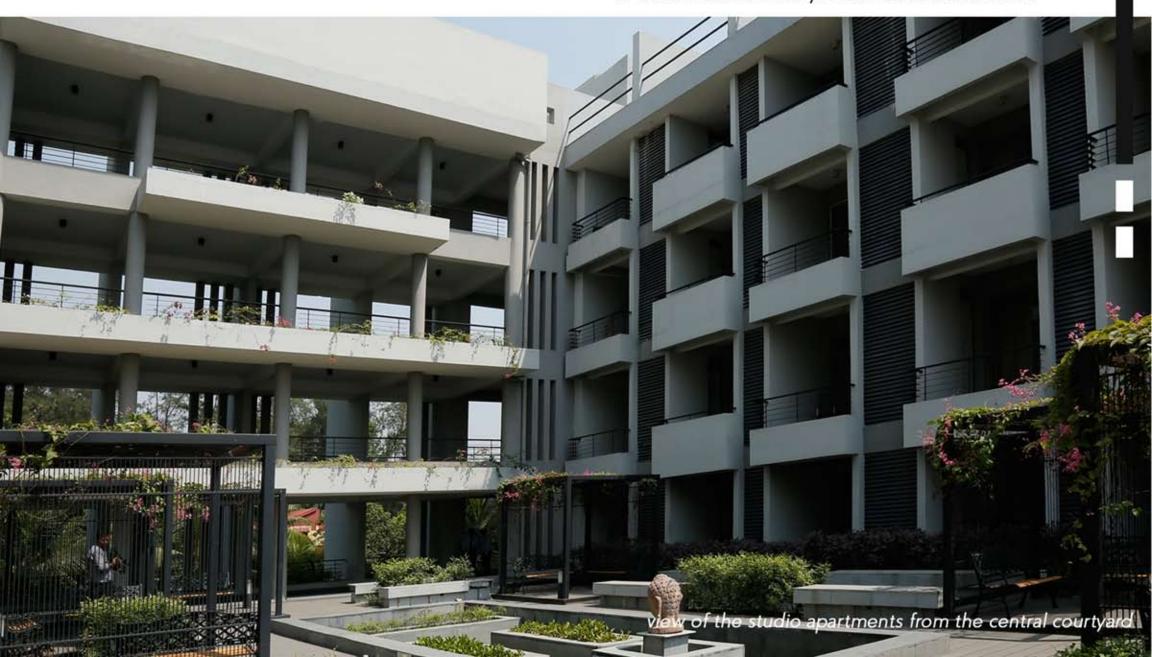
(multi-family)

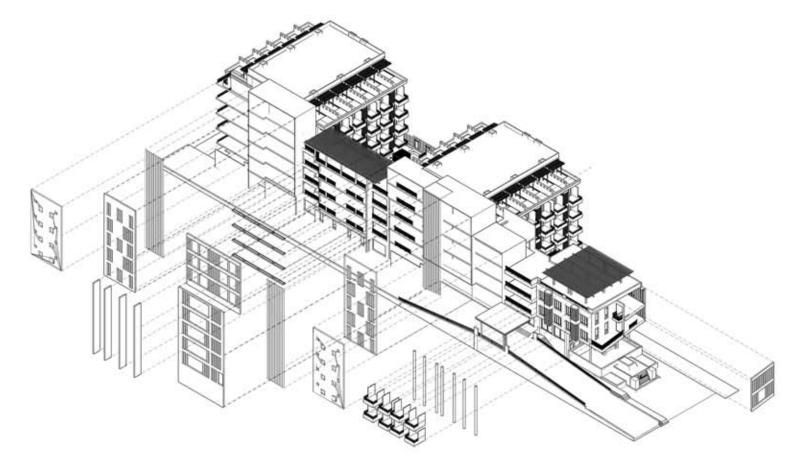
Scales of community and spaces for interaction along with optimization of resources, proportion, color and material as the forefront of design expression.



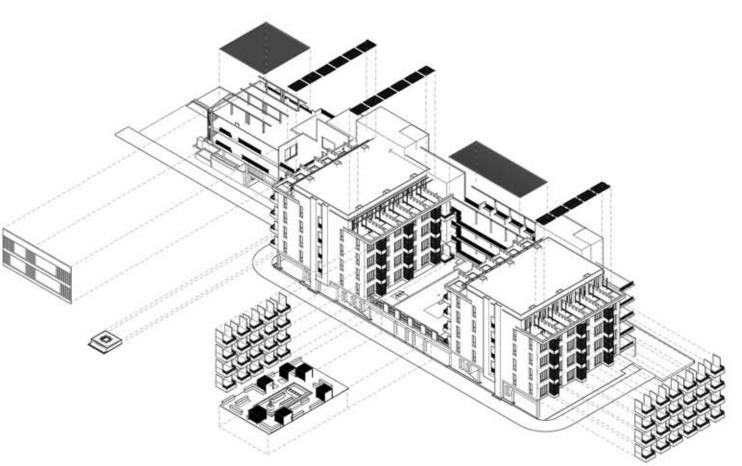
nirvana apartments

A minimal expression of contemporary tropical vernacular is the studio apartment building. Nirvana. Young professionals and people of a similar mindset need a getaway from the city that is affordable. This program was conceptualized by ASAUDP as a stack of rooms with living spaces, kitchen space and smart toilets, designed in a unit space of approximately 45O square feet. Raised courtyards, spillover areas, lounging spaces created a seamless labyrinth of semi-open and open spaces. Linear bridge-like verandah spaces connect the two blocks. Openings, also linear, create a permeable skin along the edge of the building. A raised courtyard is designed to create kiosks for couples and smaller groups. The landscape firm working with ASAUDP - PL Design of Thailand - had a brief to create a tropical minimalist landscape that would work with ASAUDP's architectural language to create variation and yet have an inherent order.





axonometric view (north-east)



axonometric view (south-west)



vertical slits







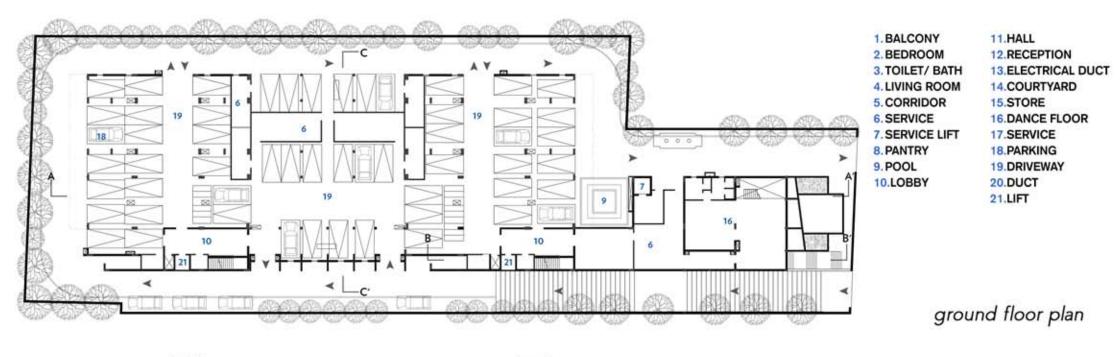


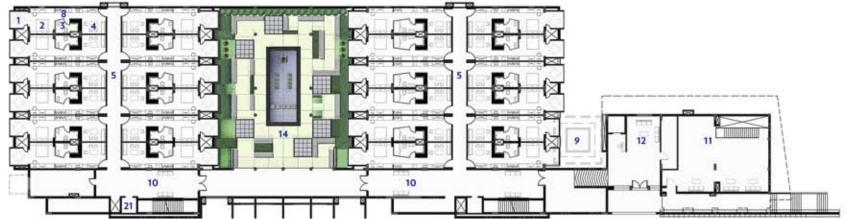


colonnades balconies

pergola

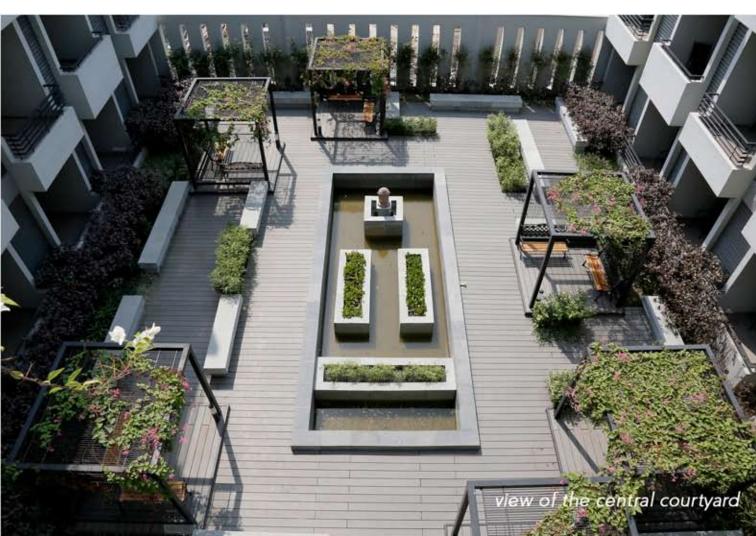
courtyard





first floor plan





■ TYPOLOGY : Architecture, Multi-Family Housing

LOCATION: Burdaman Road, Kolkata

AREA: 65, 000 sq. ft

STATUS : Built

DATE OF COMPLETION: 2012

STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS : Suvra Narayan Sil

MEP CONSULTANTS : Ratan Kr. Sarkar CLIENT : Exclusive Homes Pvt. Ltd.





multi-family housing in Alipore

Development within Kolkata largely involves the demolition of old buildings and replacing them with residential blocks, the styles of which are usually pastiched. ASAUDP felt the need to evolve a design language that would interpret the colonial context in a modern Architectural idiom.

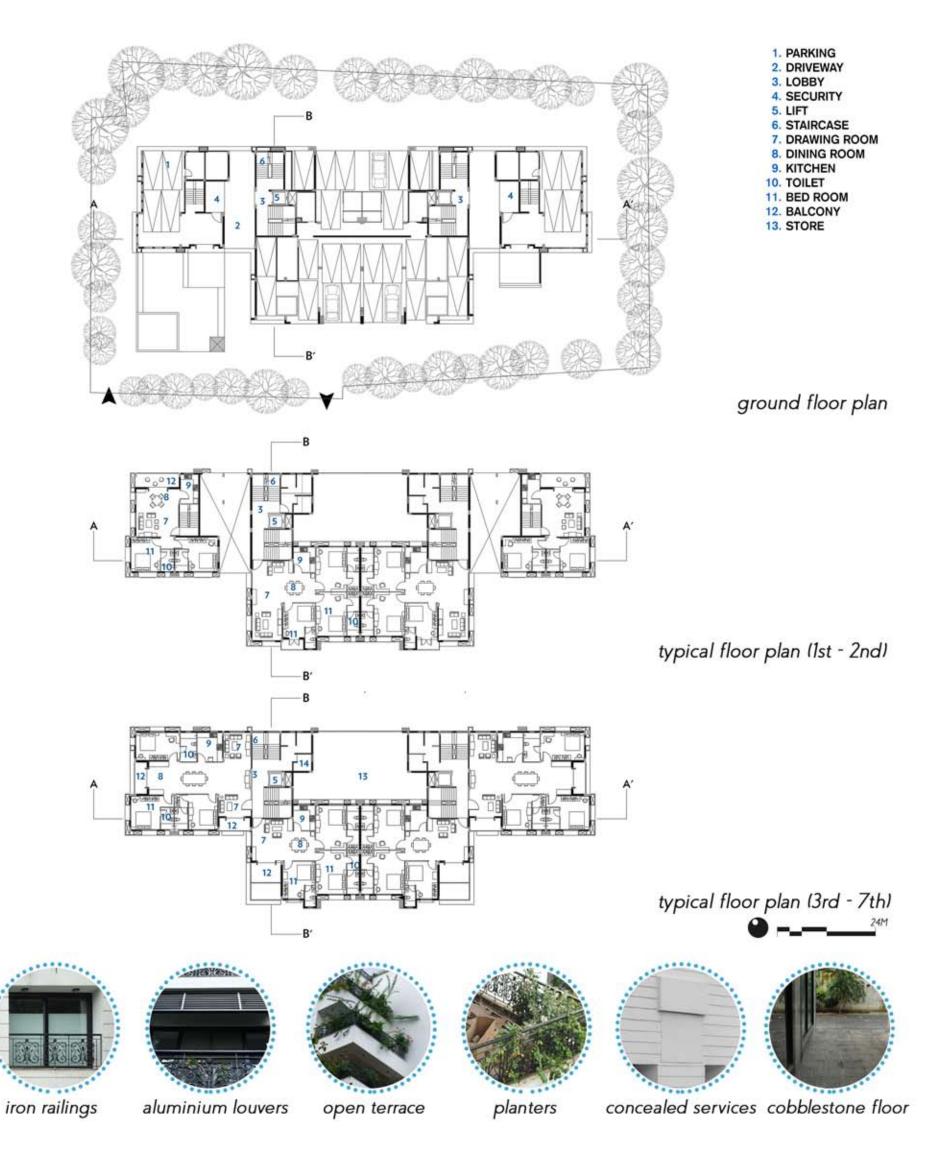
This multi-family condominium located right next to the old palace belonging to the Maharaja of Burdwan is a fitting example. The new building juxtaposes gracefully with the old through the repetition of key features in the palace. its louvers, and railings. The entire design has been conceived as a reinterpretation of the colonial character as a classical contemporary style.



close up of the details in the facade



horizontal striations







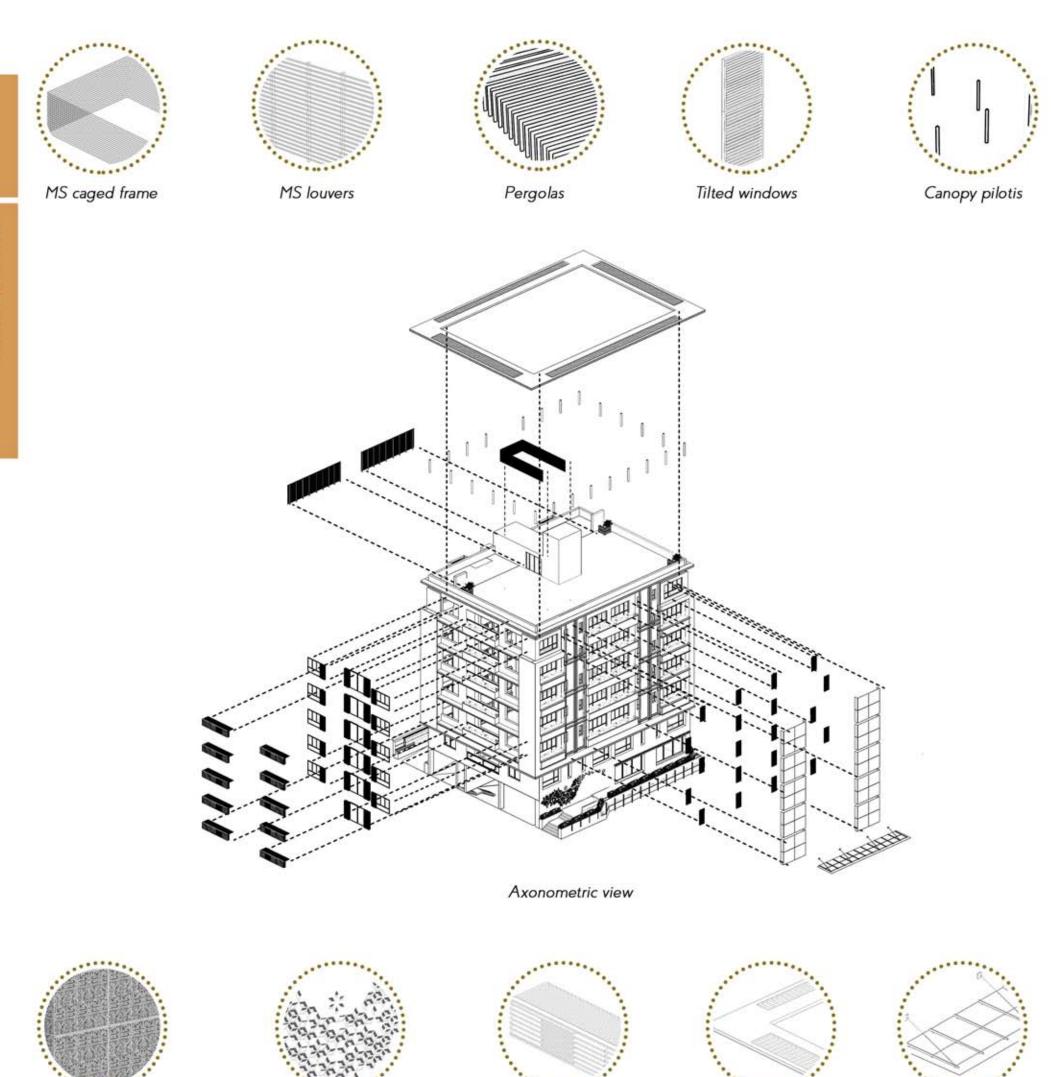


24M



■ This mixed-use building houses an office and residential spaces are located in one of the busiest areas of Kolkata's urban nexus. The first two stories encompass the offices while the rest of the floors are purely residential. The character of the building is subtly broken into two halves horizontally depicting this difference between the functionality of the building. The dark gray of Prodema with an algorithmic pattern punctured in it adds a dynamic sense into the building, with long louvers spanning vertically from the top to bottom articulates the facade into three halves with balconies in between them. Planters add green to the gray and terracotta of the back. Overall, Short Street was a complex expression in trying to reflect the availability of joy in the busy mundane urban lives present in the hearts of the people of Kolkata.





Perforated metal jalis Punctured graphic wall Window louvers Entrance glass canopy

AC ledge louver

residential

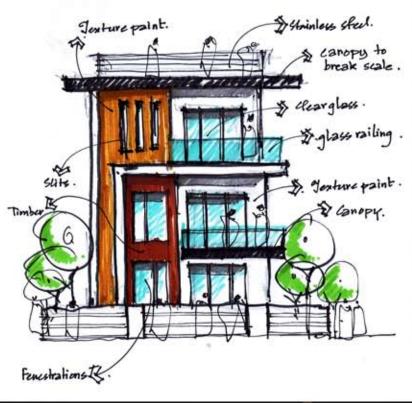
(single-family)

Aspiration of an individual and his family is expressed through materiality, architectural language and spatial order that blends with our signature design language.





canopy villa



■ A single family residence at Kolkata accomplished by the firm as one of its flagship project encompasses a holistic and tropical approach in lending the look and feel of the residence. The building block is characterized by use of canopies varying in scale and size that lends a visual datum to the building. The residence is a complex of two storied building bound together and made cohesive by the use of canopies and vertical louvers that also shield the interior spaces from outside visually. The building overall adopts a contemporary minimalistic look by the wise use of elements. This gesture of providing indoor spaces and enveloping it with a labyrinth punctured with wide openings and balconies.

This membrane also act as the ventilating element allowing the various inner spaces to breathe as if the house in itself is the miniature of a macro cosmos where light plays the pre dominant factor in shaping and sculpting indoor spaces. The structure of house is simple and was designed in a way by which it can be sculpted even with the simplest craftsmanship and effort. Canopies not only lend a scale breaker in the overall mass but it also solves the purpose a screening from direct sunlight falling on the semi open spaces like the balconies which are timber cladded and ensures an utmost sense of tactile experience.





MATERIALS AND TECTONICS Materiality brought about by materials that act as semi-permeable screening elements in both the horizontal and vericals dimensions.

The half shade brought about by the elements softens and accentuates the warmth of the materials. a contemporary echo of the tropical architecture.

axonometric view (north-west)















vertical slits chajjas

wooden cladding

vertical louver

cantilever graffiti







1. GARAGE

2. LIVING SPACE 8. DRESS

7. TOILET

13. PLANTER

14. HALL ROOM

■ TYPOLOGY: Architecture, Multi-Family Villa

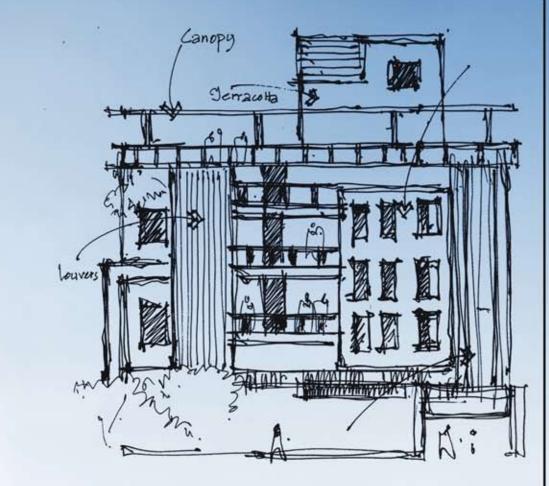
LOCATION : Alipore, Kolkata

AREA: 40,000 sq. ft STATUS: Being Built

LANDSCAPE : Inscape Design Studio MEP CONSULTANT : Sinha and Associates

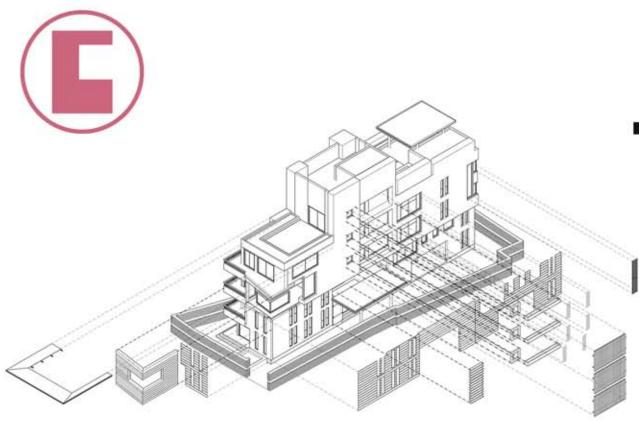
INTERIORS: Gorsia Design Studio, Space Consultants

CLIENT: The Goenka Family









lunia **villa**

The building has been designed to address Kolkata's hot and humid climate. Large openings have been used for ventilation. louvers have been used to filter the harsh local sun. A terrace garden has been provided for an aesthetic way of enjoying the outdoors, in the manner of age old Kolkata houses. The spaces at street level are designed for privacy, whereas the house progressively opens up as it goes higher. The largest open space, which is the terrace, is open, airy and designed for entertaining. Stone and wood finish cladding have been used as materials on the elevation to enhance the contemporary feel of the villa.





TYPOLOGY: Architecture, Single Family Villa

LOCATION : Barrackpore, Kolkata

AREA: 3, 000 sq. ft STATUS: Being Built

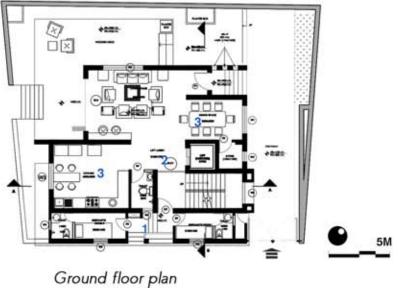
STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS : Poseidon Engineeing & Services

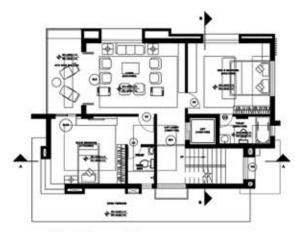
MEP CONSULTANTS : Eltech Engineers. R. R. Enterprise

CLIENT : The Chaudhuri Family

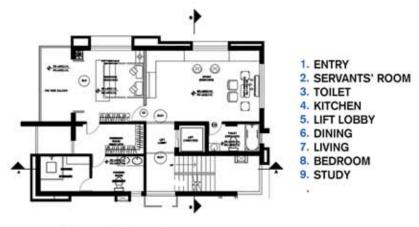




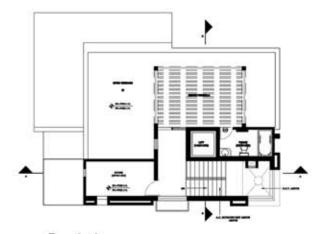




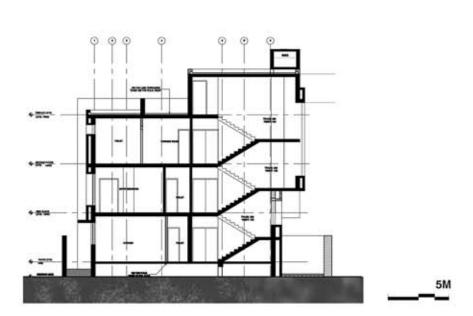
First floor plan



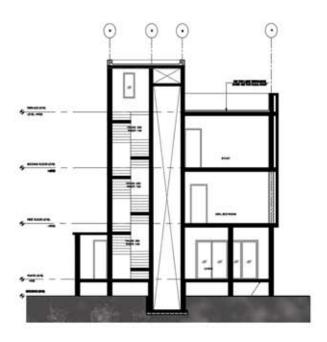
Second floor plan



Roof plan



Section AA



Section BB'



recreational and hospitality



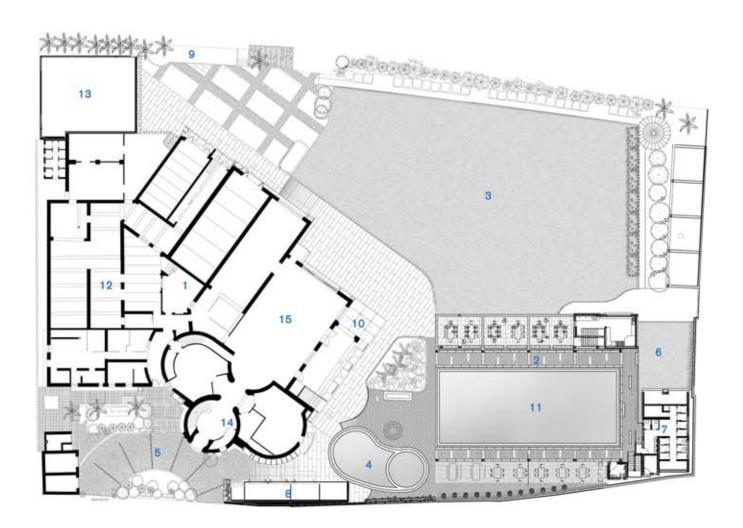
bengal rowing club

■ The objective was to improve the quality of the club life and the Cultural legacy of the institution. The transformation has helped the club to improve the overall statistics and add muscle to the club's amenities, which in turn, has helped the club encourage deeper connections with the modern communities and attract newer and younger generations. Historically, the club has attracted middle aged members but in recent times a boost in the number of younger members is seen. At the heart of the reconstruction was the idea of making it look young and vibrant. Implementing dynamic designs that are superior and adding a touch of innovation to them.

Refurbishing the firefighting equipment, redesigning electrical outlay and making room for the air conditioner ducts, machines and water pipes. These utilities have then been camouflaged with a decorative yet elegant outer facade. The painting and aesthetics have been homogenized with the color palette of the brown, warm beige and white. This will echo the nestling comfort of nature and give a feel of an urban resort by the lakeside. The terrace on the first floor has been renovated with the glass railings to give an uninterrupted and serene view of the natural water-body attached to the property.







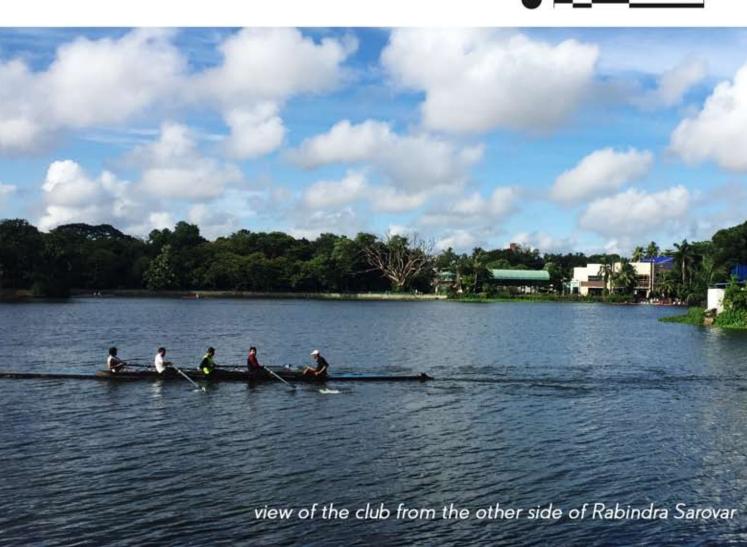
- MAIN CLUB BLOCK
 PUBLIC SPACE CANOPY

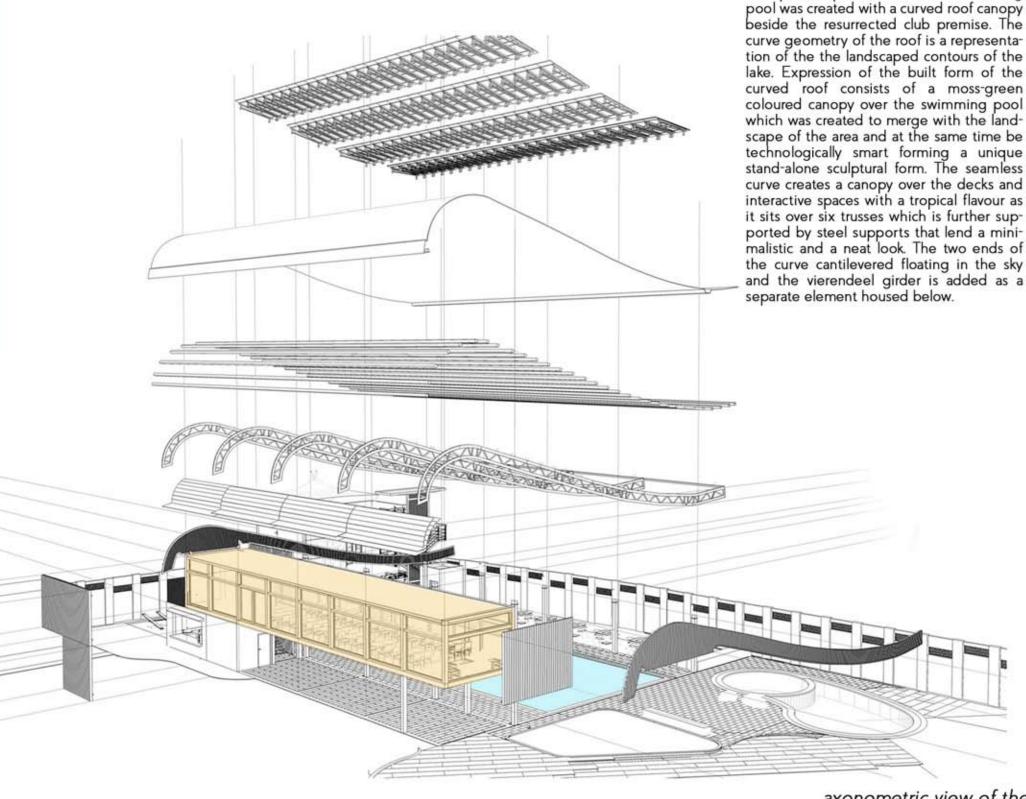
- 2. PUBLIC SPACE CANOPY
 3. LAWN
 4. KIDS POOL
 5. ENTRANCE PORTICO
 6. KIDS PLAY AREA
 7. POOL CHANGING ROOM
 8. PUMP ROOM
 9. DECK AREA
 10. GLASS BOX
 11. SWIMMING POOL
 12. KITCHEN
 13. BOAT HOUSE
 14. RECEPTION
 15. HALL

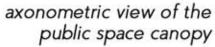












■ The public space around the swimming



aluminium box louvers



ms truss



wooden louver



perlins



glass box



conduit roof



ms box frame



lawn side elevation





The clubs of Calcutta has essen-The clubs of Calcutta has essentially been a reflection of the social and cultural fabric of the flavour present in the city. The Club had lost its charm physically due to the years of dilapidation thus the club chose to undertake redevelopment and transform it so that it can take us to the contemporary roots. The combination of part restoration and redesign of the direction of ration and redesign of the di-lapidated edges allowed us to explore the facade so that it tunes in with the tropical chars tunes in with the tropical char-acter of the city. The objective was to improve the quality of the club life, the Cultural legacy of the institution and increasing the footfall of young people with a modern contemporary look yet having a sensorial and contextual meaning.

■ TYPOLOGY: Recreation and Hospitality

LOCATION : Tollygunge , Kolkata

AREA : 4757 sq.ft

STATUS : Work in progress

STRCTURAL ENGINEER : Er. Soumitra Dutta

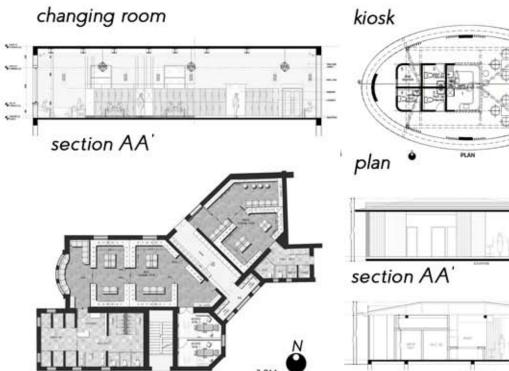
CLIENT : Royal Calcutta Golf Club

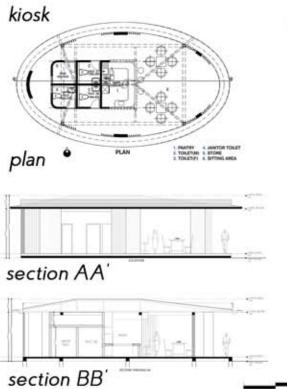






redevelopment of royal calcutta **golf club**



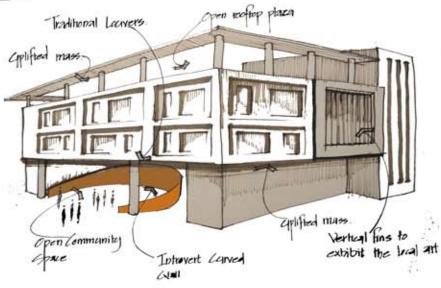


■ Royal Calcutta Golf Club (RCGC) - the world's third oldest and the country's first golf club has been renovated and restored with keeping the royal British architectural style intact. The project comprising of façade treatment, repairing in both civil and aesthetic parts also represents a detailed understanding of the parent structure. The elegantly designed changing room for both male and female, showcases the detailing in material palette selection for interior. Evoking with the extraordinary contemporary architecture through shades of grey and brown the food kiosk is a blend of modernism with the historical vicinity.





community hall



Situated in heart of new town. challenge was to keep the essence of traditional architecture intact. Site surrounded by roads on three sides is focused upon use of open interactive spaces through its traditional landscape elements.

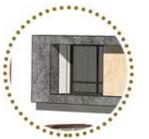
Building comprising banquet hall, guest residences, rooftop plaza and multipurpose gathering space is an urban mirror of contemporary architecture, linking the roots of tradition to the modernism. Focus upon depiction of local art through painted louvers and terracotta walls are designed to be the points of accentuation. The curved terracotta wall is making the intangible space tangible through its introvert design.

The oval building forms the heart of support facility which includes recreational facilities such as cafeteria and play areas. The curved wall is breaking the monotony of rectilinear grid and creates an organic design merging with the landscape.







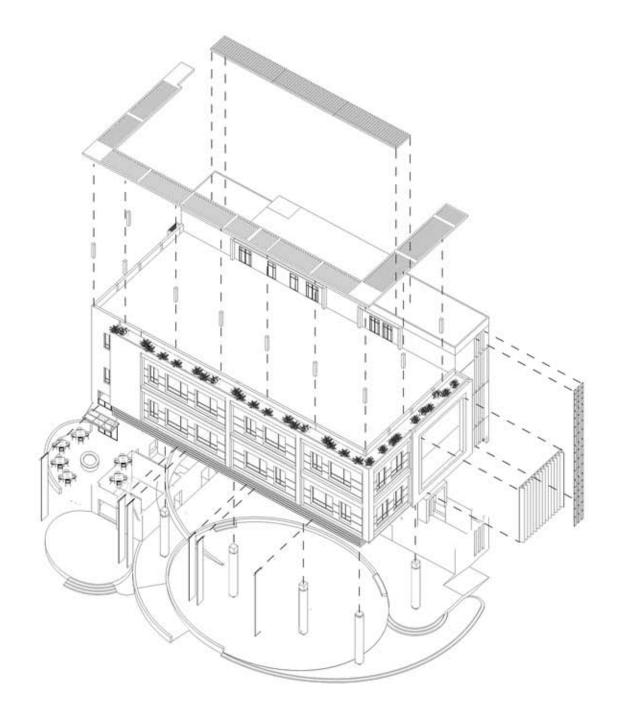




Planters

Chajja projection

Painted slits





Horizontal louvers



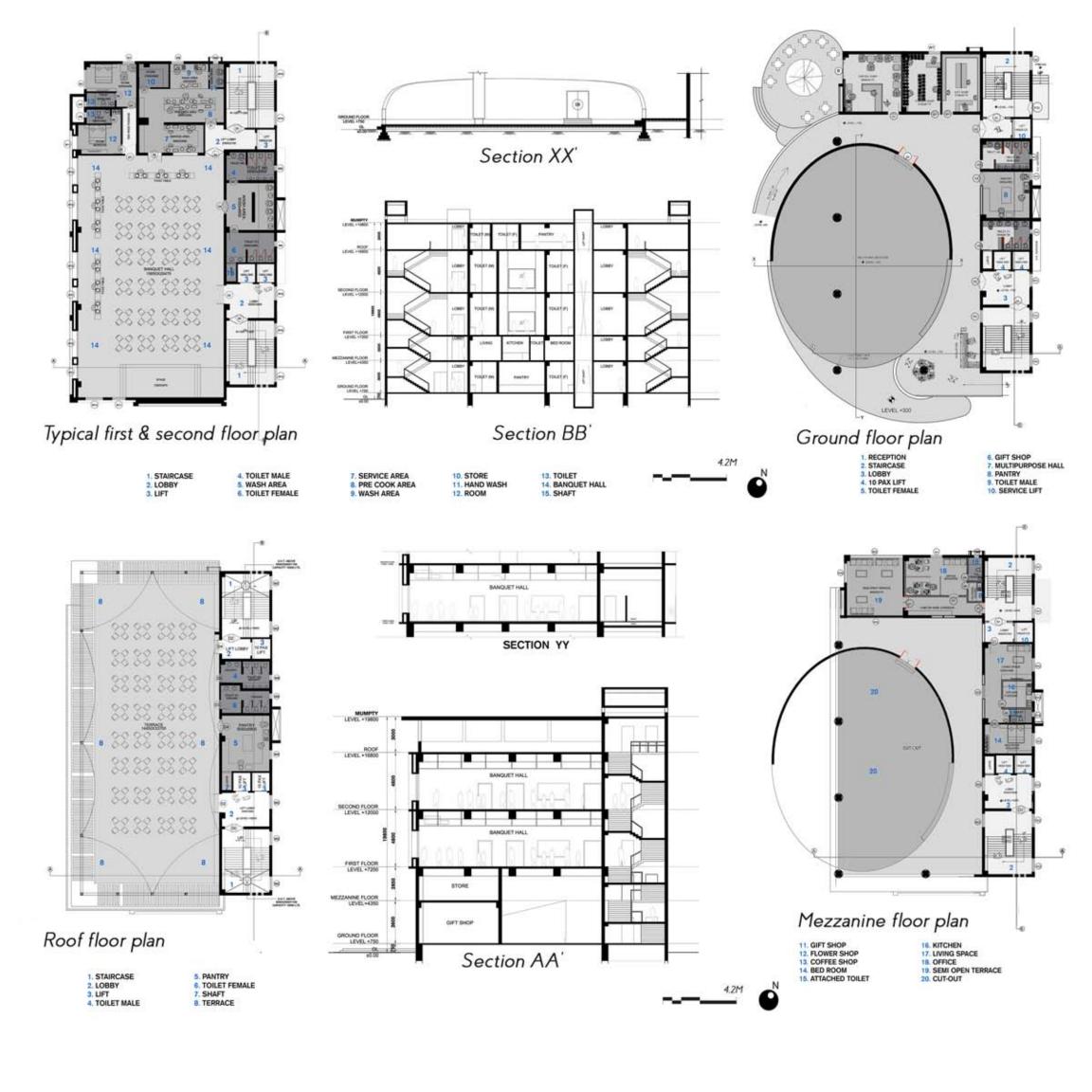
Vertical slits



Exhibition canvas



Colour contrast



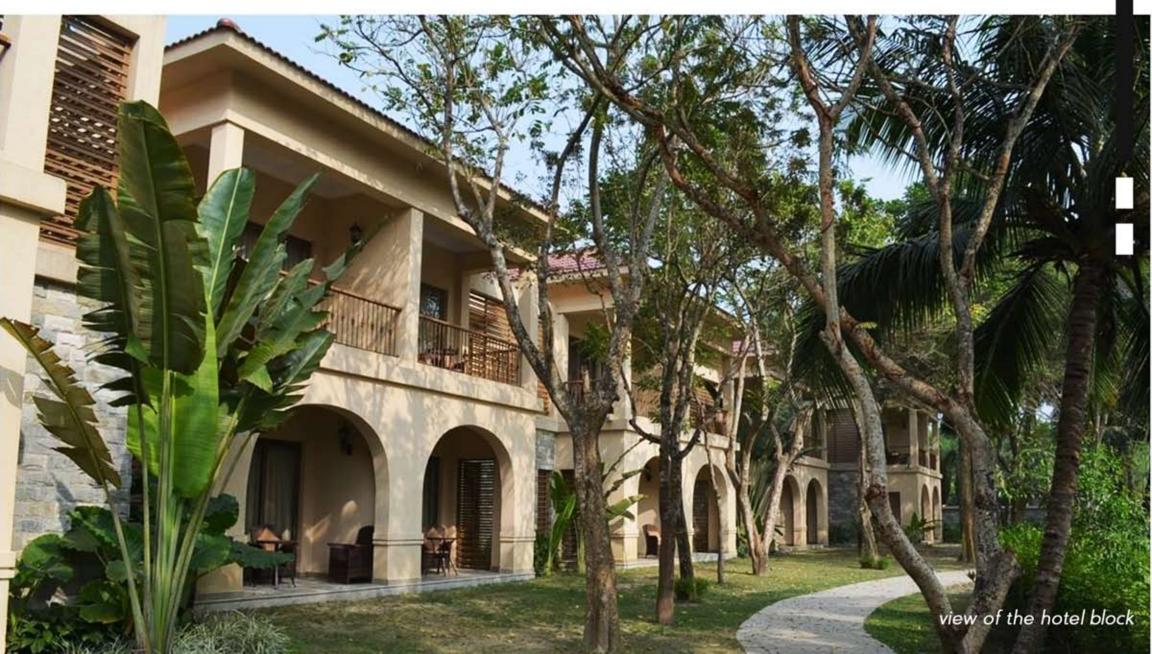


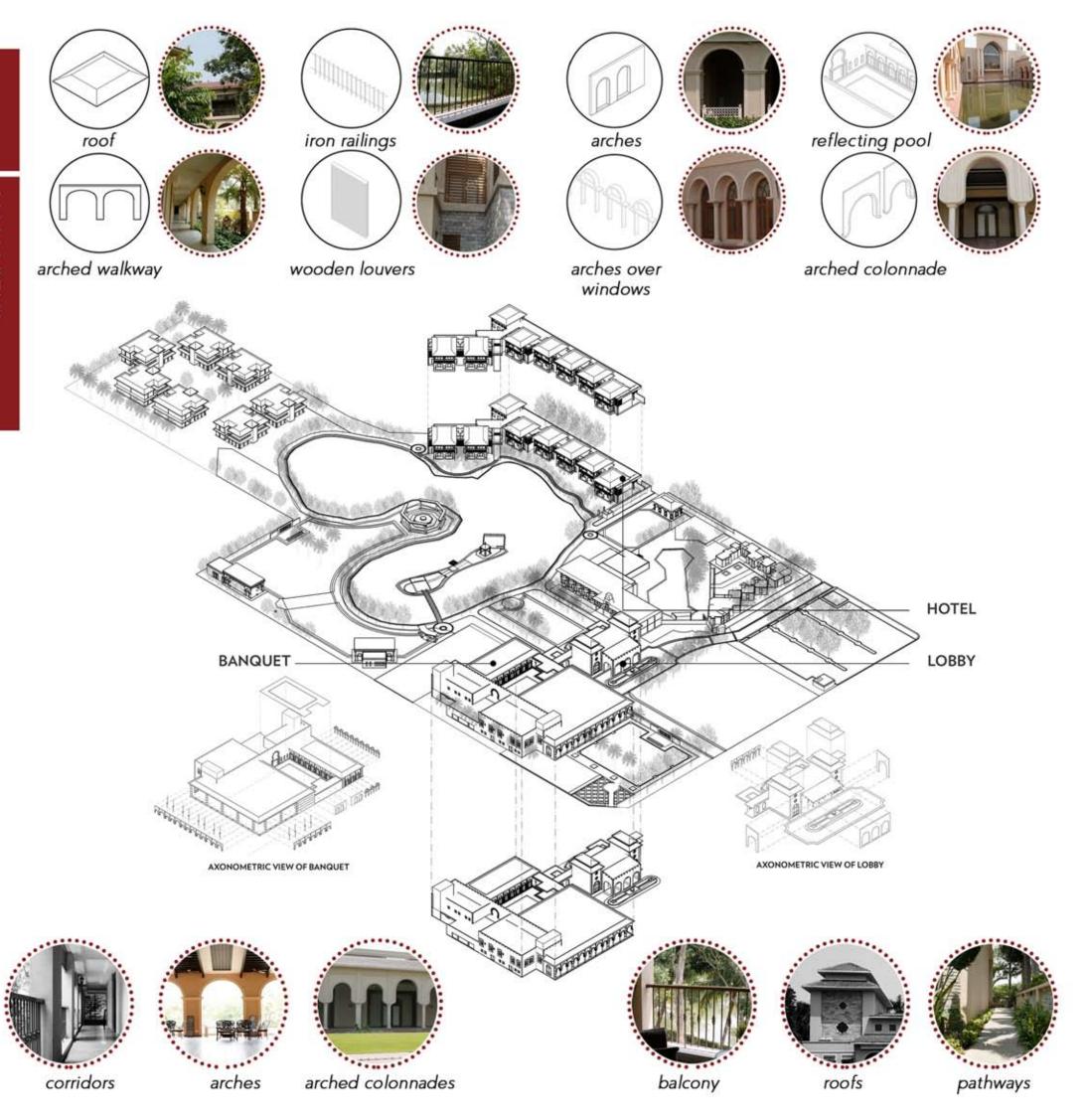
ibiza resort

■ A hospitality project expressing a contemporary colonial theme in a sprawling resort in Kolkata's high density urbanity. This resort is a minimalistic reinterpretation of a Spanish colonial style around a tropical water body. A collaborative effort between the architect (ASAUDP), the landscape architect (PL Design. Thailand), lighting consultants, interior designers and significant client input (Merlin Resorts) - the master plan design comes with a hotel block, villas, a lobby, a banquet, stand alone bars and a spa. The hotel block is the first built phase and the balance is being constructed in a phased manner, without disturbing the existing running facilities.

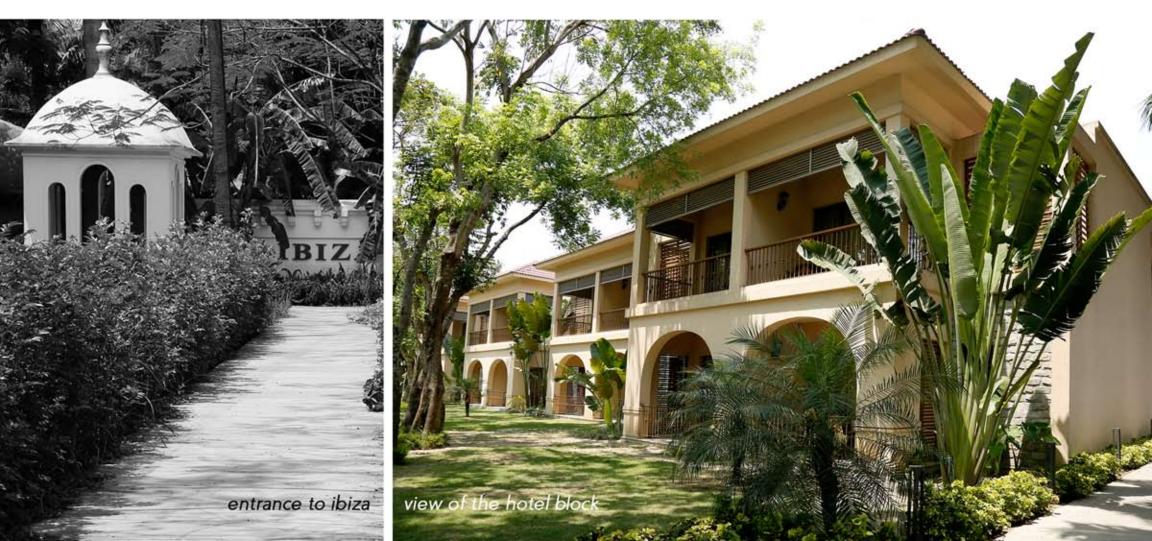
The site came with a large water body and with that the challenge to incorporate the many independent functions of the resort in the master plan. The idea of an arrival, loggias, canopies and walkways with arches and pitched roofs is the basis of the design language.

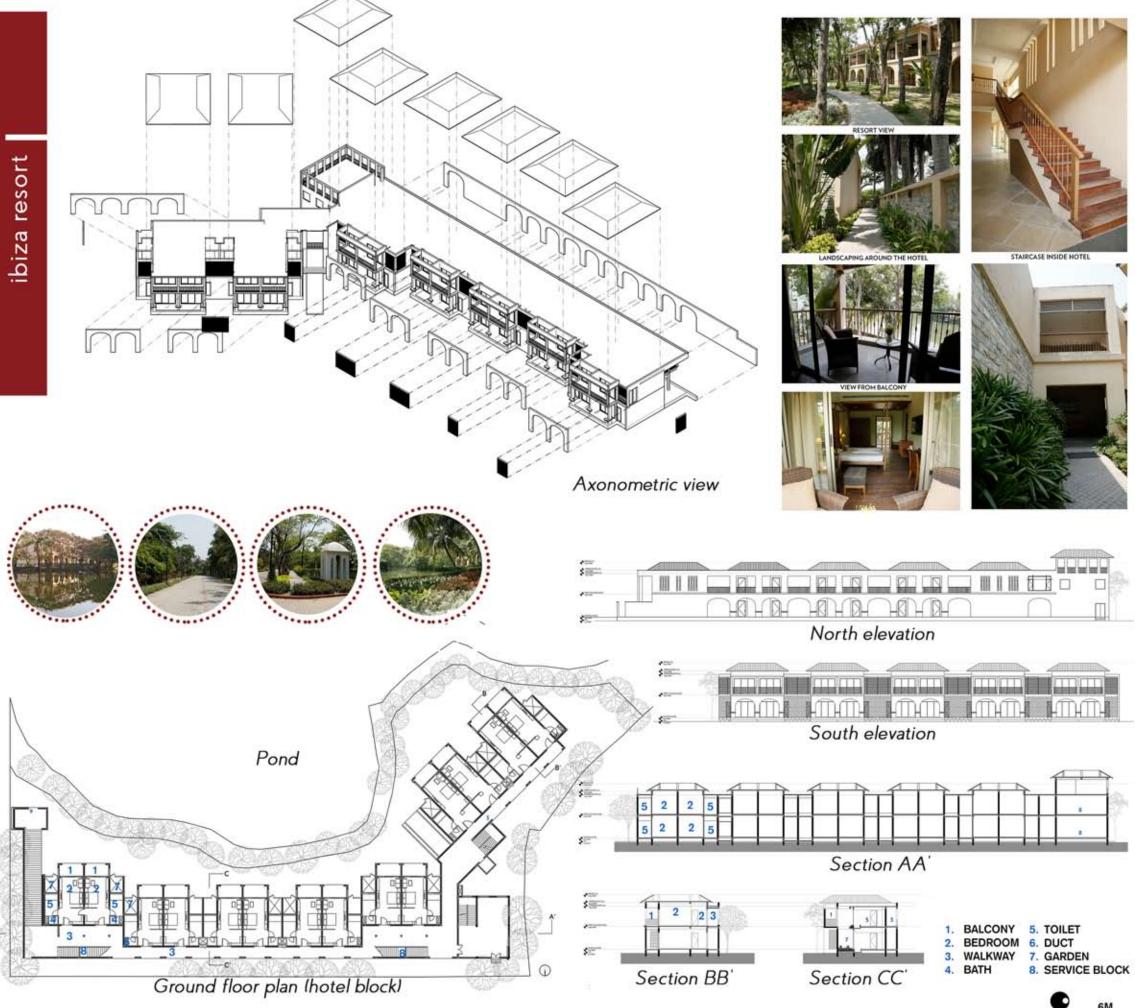
Along with PL Design of Thailand, the landscape architect of the project, it was decided to use the local vegetation aesthetically to create a beautiful. green gateway, minutes away from the concrete of Kolkata. In order to preserve the vegetation and make the most use of the water body, the master plan is designed in such a way that all rooms have the lake view.











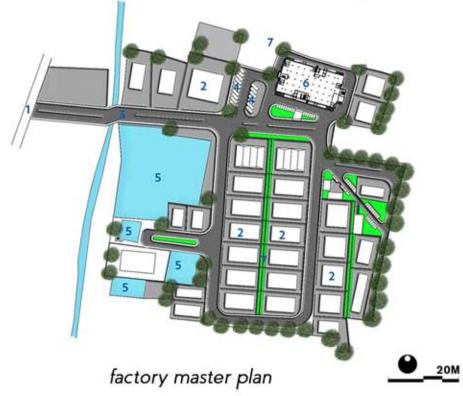


industrial

It is where character flows from functionality. Effective service planning along with simple yet aesthetic character, creating an identity in this typology.



south city infra park

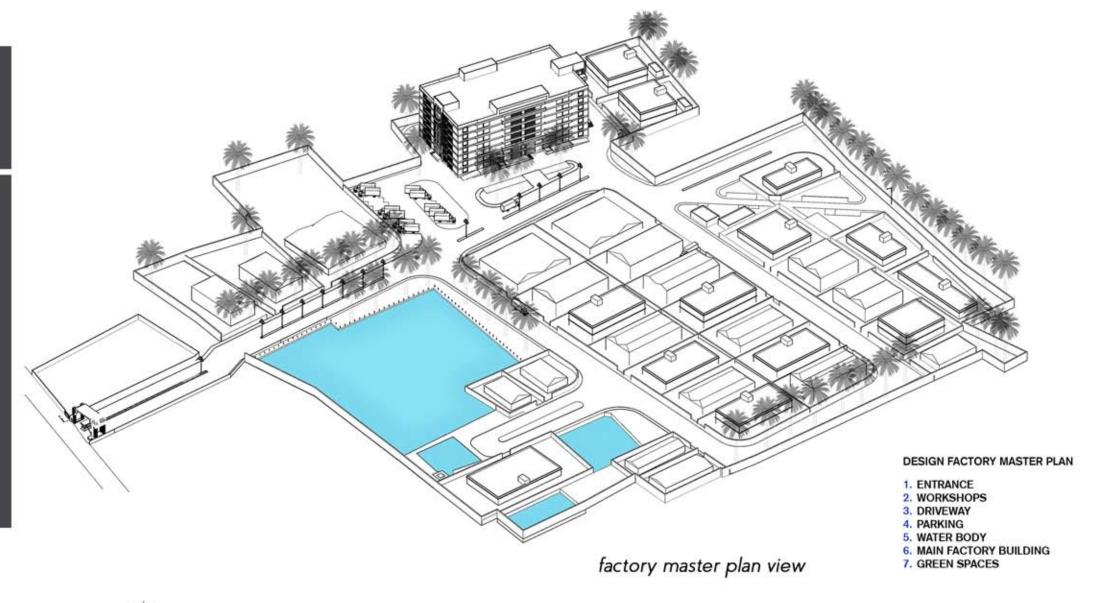


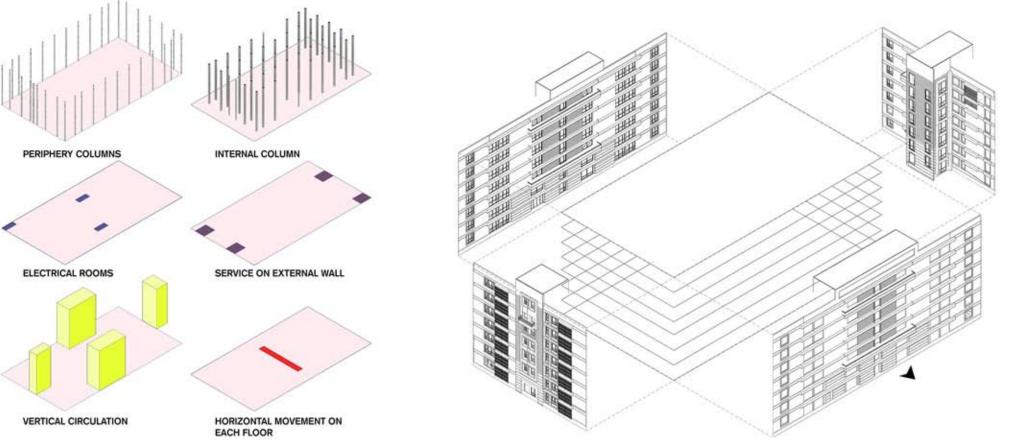
One master plan allowed several possibilities of industrial units with the campus of 26 acres. Industrial Infrastructure orientation really imparts the economy.

Keeping in mind the upsurge of small and medium scale industries in West Bengal and the dire need for such factories to come up outside of the boundaries of the city of Kolkata. our clients approached us with the brief to design a Standard Design Factory.

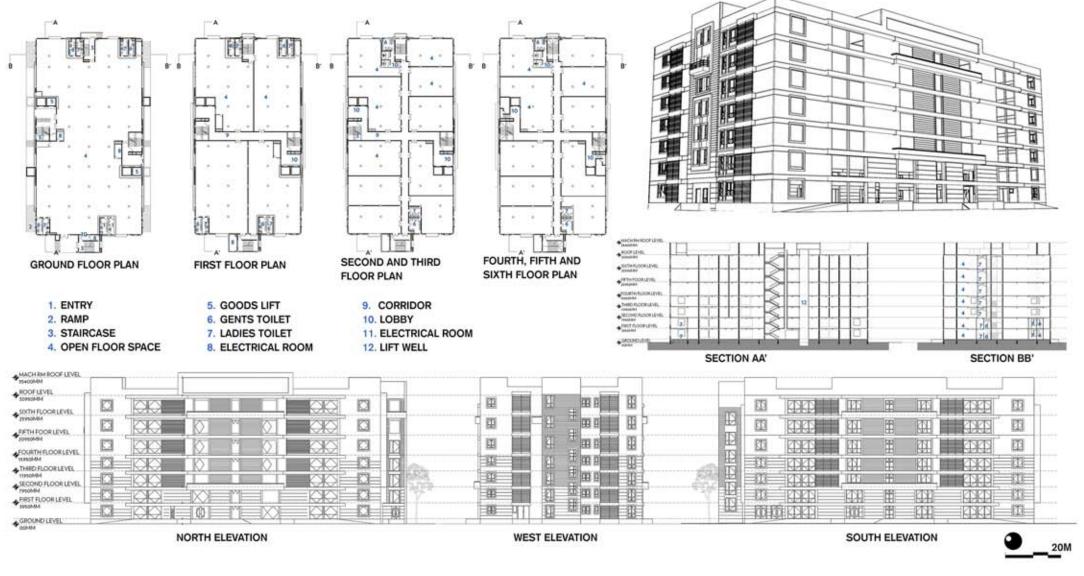
Consequently, the SDF at Howrah has been designed with modules for small, medium and large scale industries over 200,000 square feet. The facility will have all amenities including a workers' cafeteria, ample parking for transport, power back up and a green periphery.







exploded view showing elevations

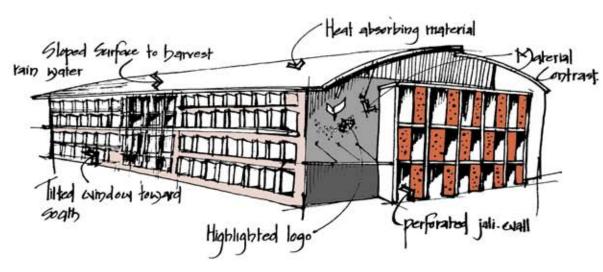








madhu jayanti international limited



The tea blending facility on the national highway near Kolkata evokes an extraordinary contemporary character in an industrial design with hues of grey terracotta. Located in an industrial zone of Kolkata. MJIL represents the ultimate climatological considerations in design through its tilted windows toward south. The cross ventilation inside is enhanced through reversing the position of ventilators in south and north direction. The metal jalis enhancing the Ventury's effect on the southern facade of the offices located in front area of whole building are nicely reducing the air conditioning load required. Steel has been innovatively used to construct large span modular construction and the shaded canopy. The focus was driven toward climatic consideration such as ventilation and rain water harvesting systems.









Stone cladding



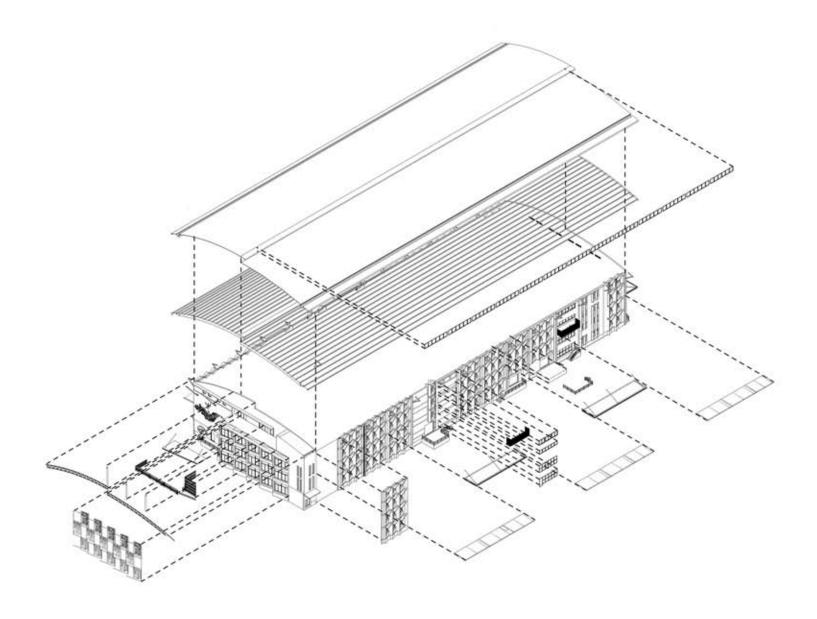
Suspension rope



Roof truss



Grooved design





Purlins



Louvered windows



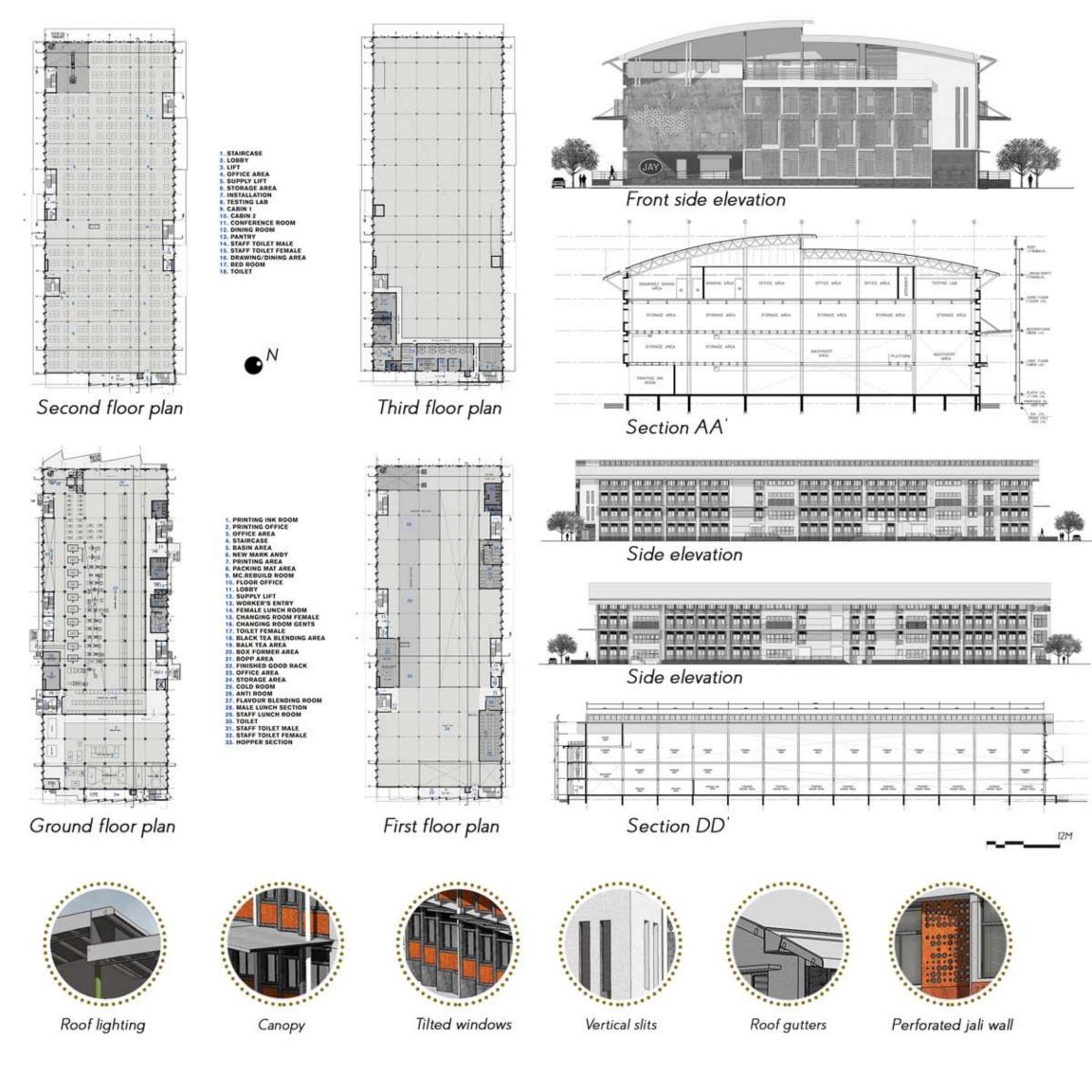
Structural supports



Louvers



Signage

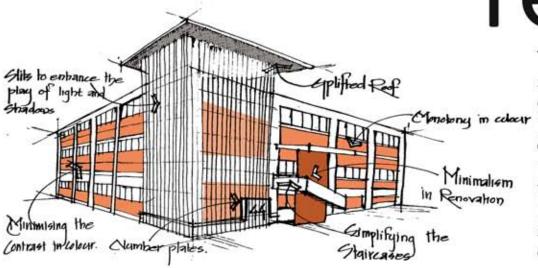












The bata facility is a 100 year factory is being modernized in suit of contemporary industrial project, optimized with carefully programmed support facility. Being a renovation project, the area of focus became the understanding of the existing context. The site bestowed with riverfront needed the part of riverfront development too. The philosophy of Bata of the simplicity is directly reflected in the design through minimalism followed. The special emphasis on use of material shows the understanding of context. This program was conceptualized by ASAUDP as a stack of interventions for the smaller areas according to the problems identified.













Entrance gate

Horizontal louvers

Number plates

Vertical fins













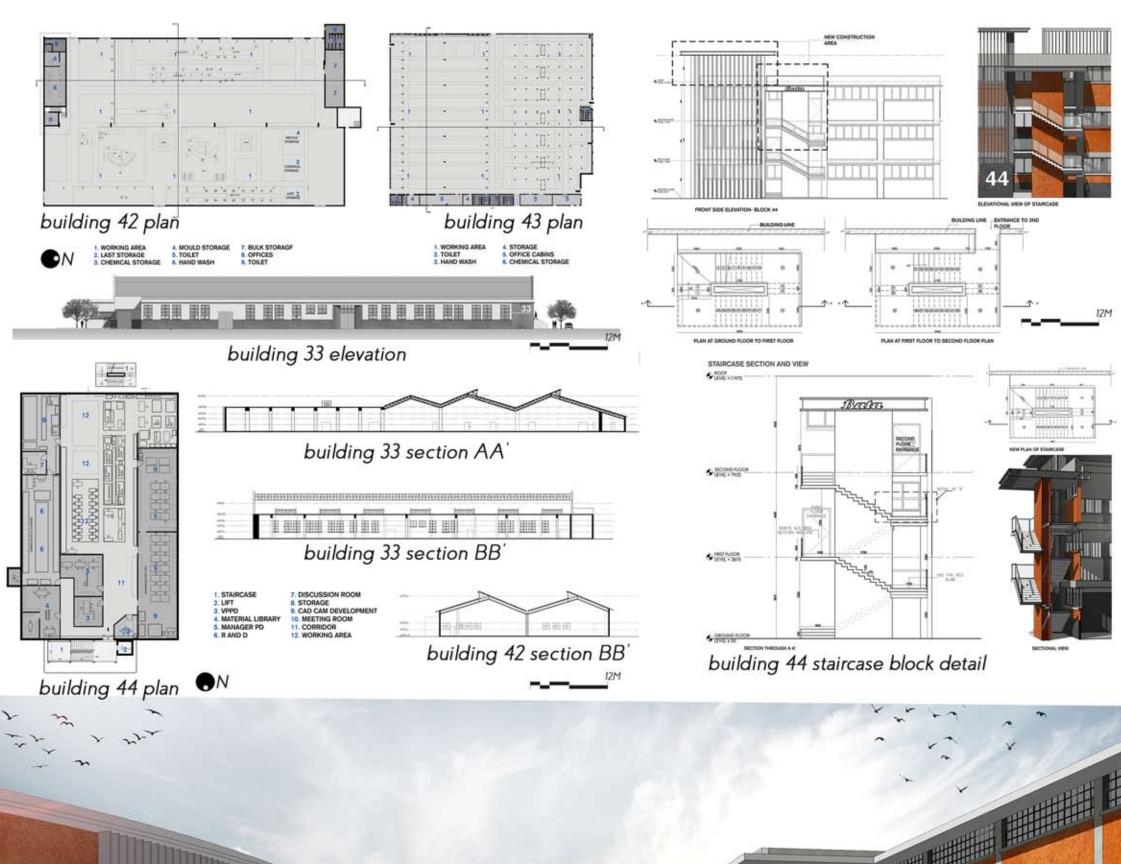
Cantilivered slab

Park benches

Pergolas

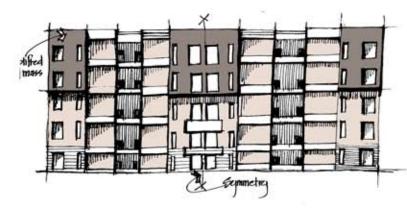
Staircase

Deck







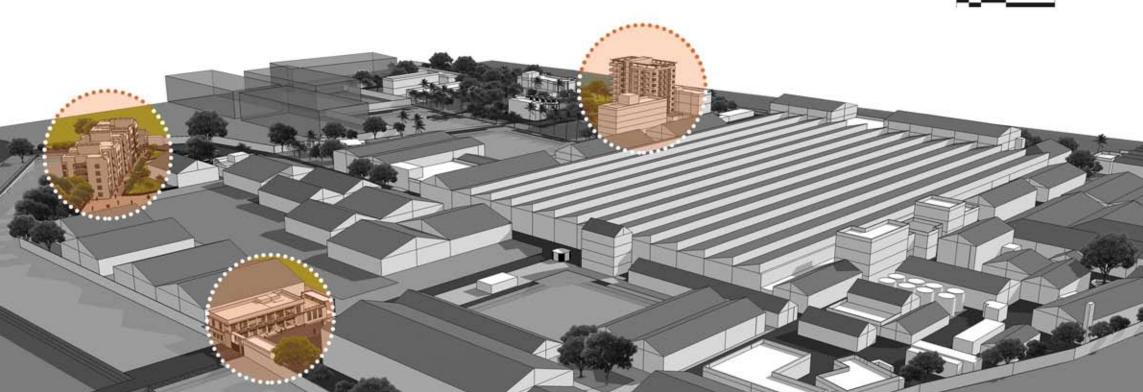


gloster ltd.

■ Sitting in the bank of river Hoogly. Gloster mill bestowed with an elegant colonial architecture. needed the residences for workers. The hierarchical pattern followed in master planning reflects the colonial style. The bank of river Hoogly became the dominant factor in placement and design of staff apartments. Attaching to the context, small design elements like windows, railings and louvers are in colonial style. The ideology of nicely maintained landscape to upraise the living standard of workers of Gloster mill has been kept intact in the apartment through courtyard facing units. The courtyard with an elegant landscape is a design generated for interaction. Surrounding river and canal made a major impact on micro climate of the site. Keeping the functionality intact the climatic consideration are followed up. The entrance gate following the elegant colonial architecture reflects the site context.





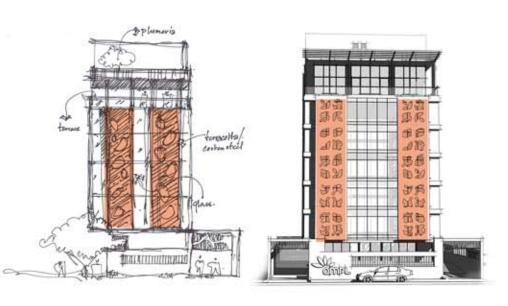


commercial and mixed use

It is about creating value, making distinct expression and establishing an icon to create maximum use of spaces and function.

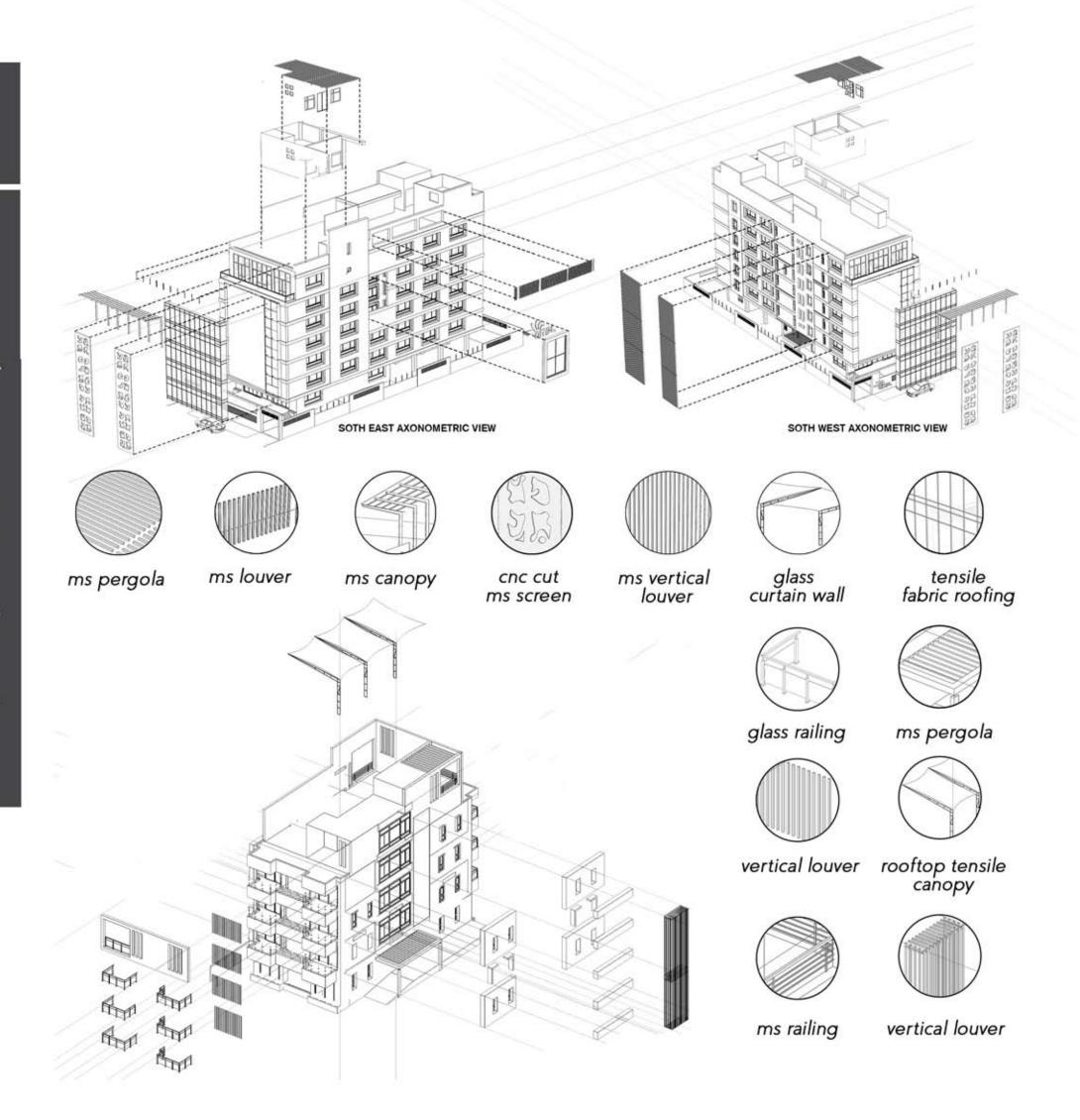


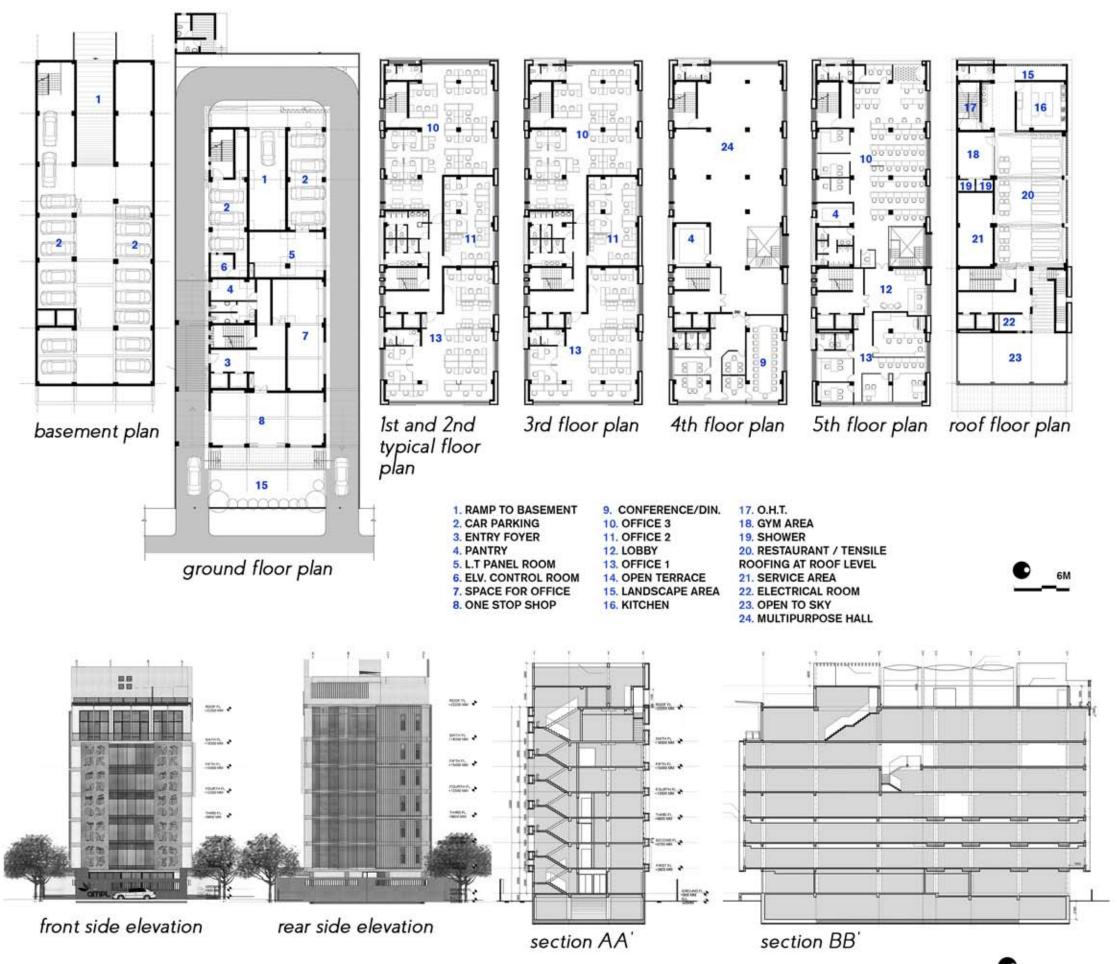
ampl Corporate Office

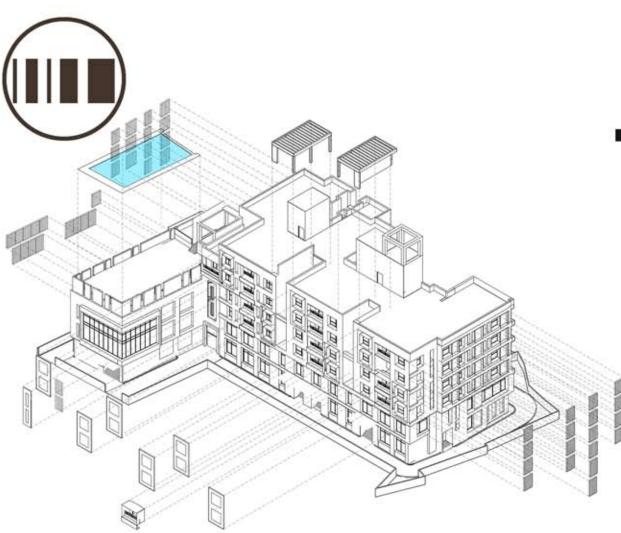


■ It is a commercial building at Durgapur in West Bengal. a fast growing economy is visualised as a mass reflecting the traditional resonances and speaking about the ethos of the epoch by use of materials and proportion. Copper muted hue on the facade is an ode to the red soil of the region. The expression is further intertwined with a clean. minimalistic contemporary style where simplicity and profundity of straight lines and scale breakers are visible. Corten steel facade partly veils the glass facade and creates an aesthetic labyrinth that lends a visual drama of light and shadow. The program of the project consists of a set of rented office in the lower floors and the corporate office of AMPL houses in the fourth. fifth and sixth floor.







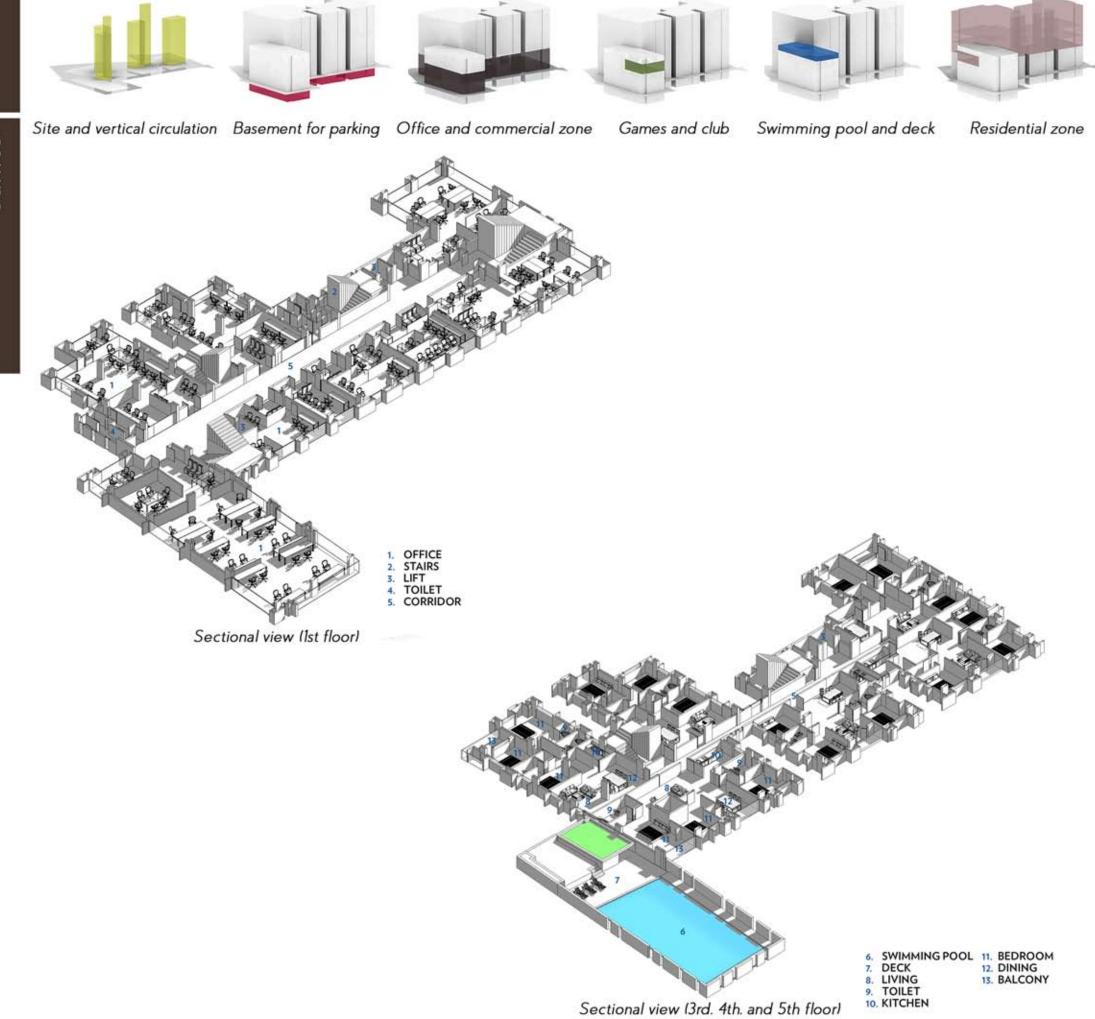


edifice

■ The program involved the mixed use development of retail/commercial, housing and a roof top pool. The black and white colour palette and mass breaks allowed for a lower block with the commercial and a pool on the top on the terrace with the housing block, a 18m height stretch on top of the retail block housed in the middle.

The volume of masses had been stacked and acts as the background for the mass projecting out which holds a rooftop swimming pool. Commercial activities dominate the ground and the first floor levels while residential units are on the first floor. Minimal mass with rhythmic punctures and fenestrations forms the design language of the block.





institutional

simplicity is profundity. the expression in circulation and overlay of the institution must reveal a character in plan.

■ TYPOLOGY: Architecture, Institutional LOCATION: Bhawanipore, Kolkata

AREA: 30,000 sq. ft

STATUS : Built

DATE OF COMPLETION: 2017 ENGINEERS: SPA Consultants

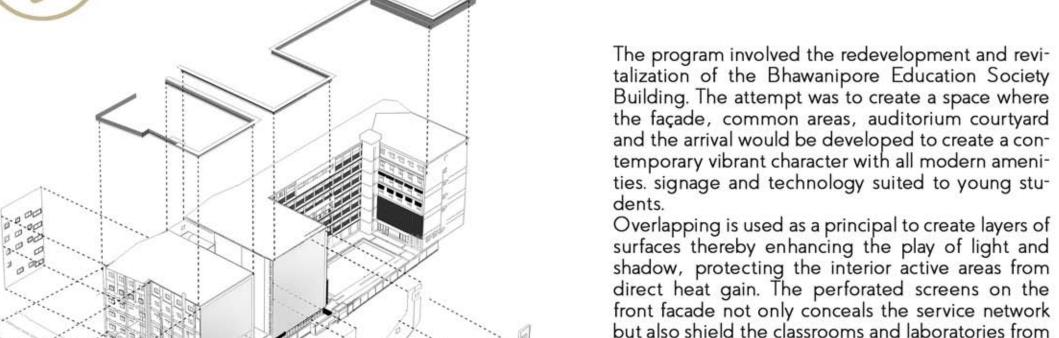
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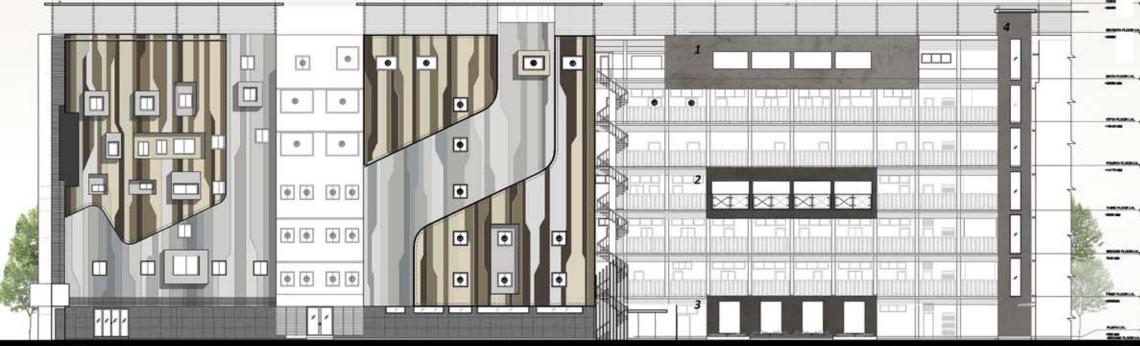
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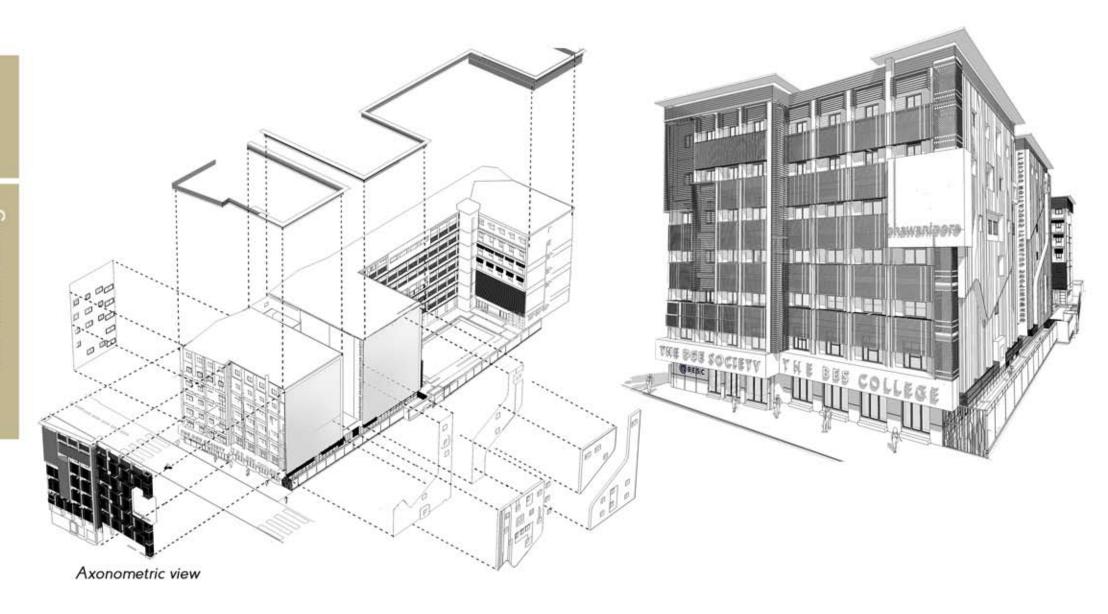


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healthcare

The character of compassion also needs an expression in architecture, functionality, maintainability and the aesthetics needs to get integrated in health care architecture.

 TYPOLOGY : Healthcare LOCATION : Howrah, Wesybengal

AREA: 65000 sq.ft STATUS: Work in progress

STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS : SPA Consultants

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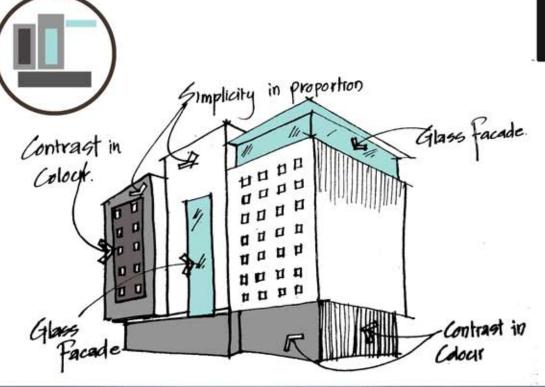
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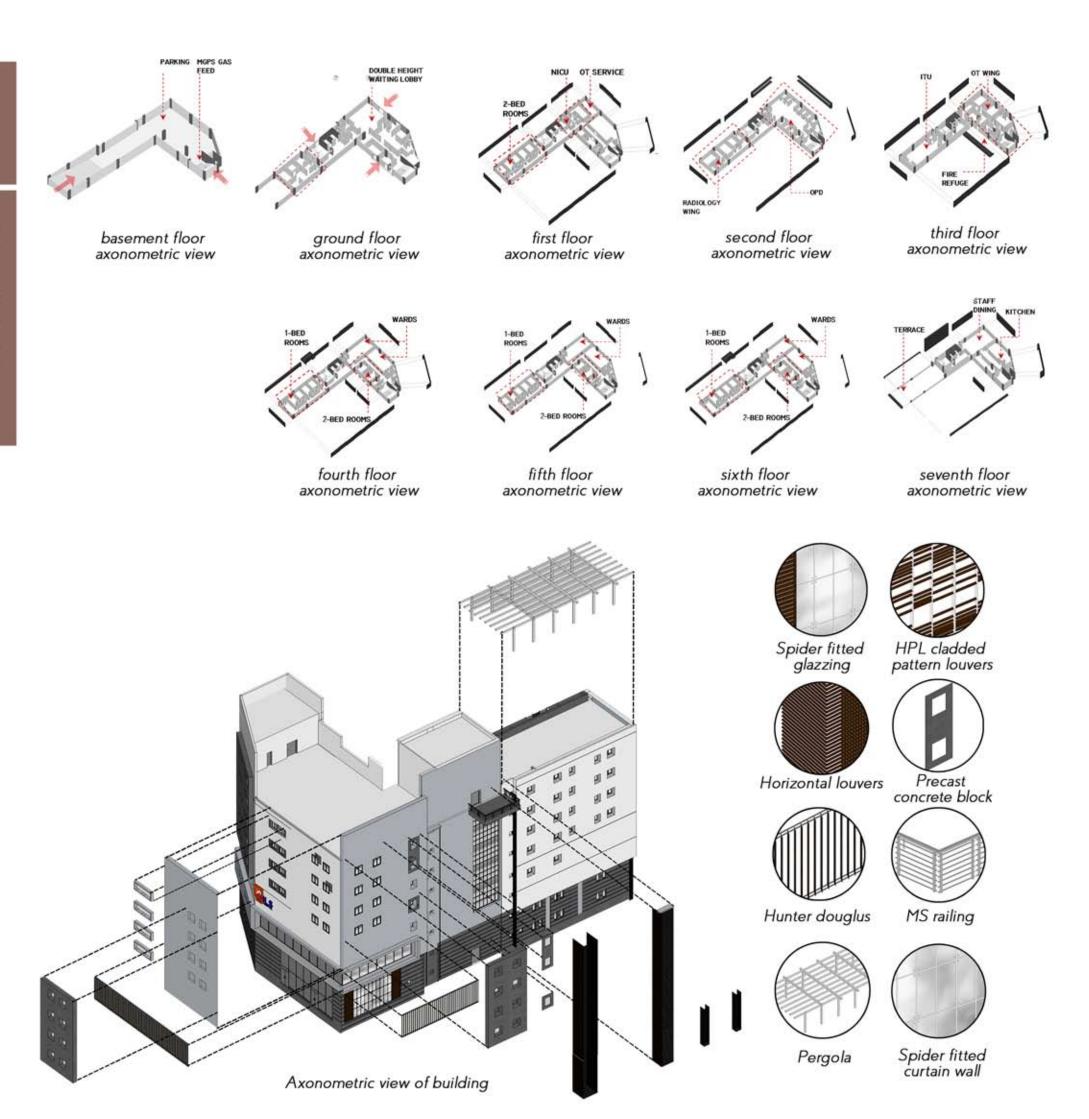
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ILS howrah

ILS Howrah is a 12O bed state of the art hospital located in the heart of Howrah providing a huge catchment of heath care services for the district of sub-urban West Bengal. The layering of the program allowed for a public zone with OPD and diagnostic functions with Operation Theatre. IPD etc. located on the upper floors. The façade and architectural character evolved from the program and function of the project. Here, service planning and façade fenestrations were developed keeping proportions and utility in mind. Architecturally, the project creates a base using gray stucco, louvers and bright daylight in OPD and public areas, with a linear modernist façade to create breaks in proportion.









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