

bridging realities

a response to spatial inequality in Mumbai and Nalasopara

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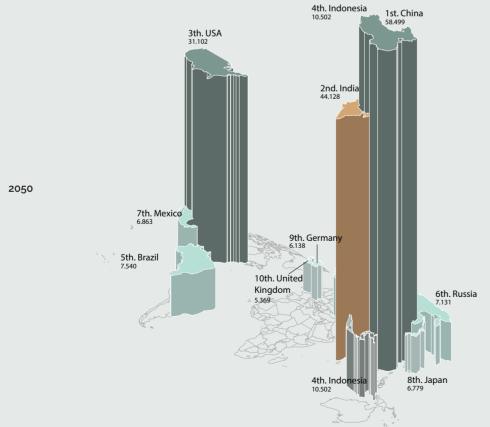
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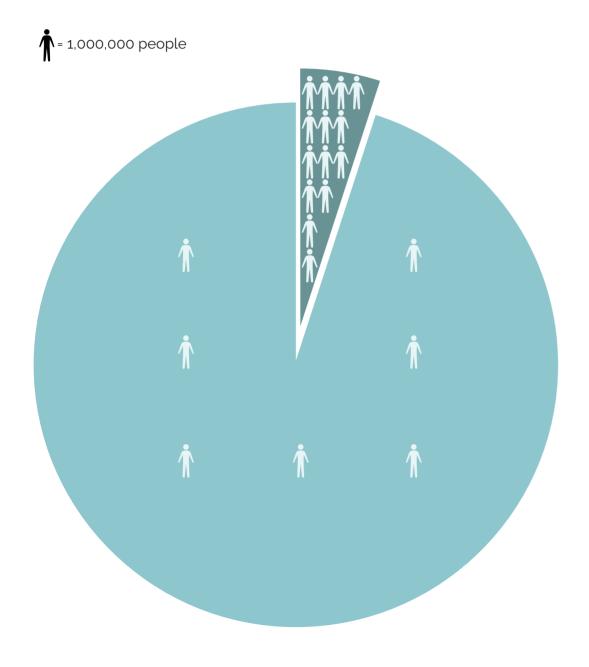
India is projected to be the 2nd largest economy in the world by 2050, being the growth engine of the global economy in terms of GDP



In 2017, India's richest 1% held 58% of the country's total wealth, while in 2018 the top 1% holds 73% of the wealth.

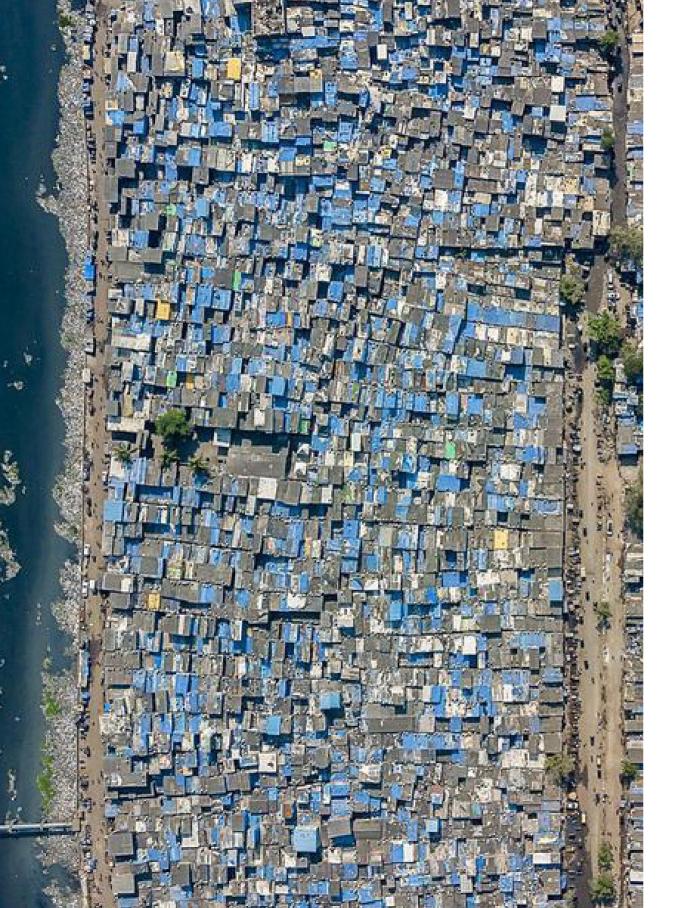


Spatial Inequality in Mumbai



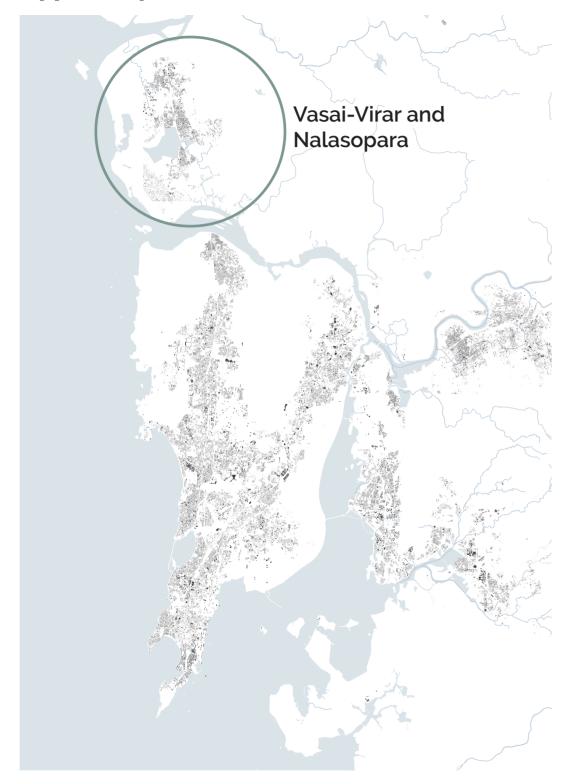
"Two-thirds of the city's (Bombay) residents are crowded into just 5 percent of the total area, while the richer or more rent-protected one-third monopolize the remaining 95 percent."

Suketu Mehta Maximum City: Bombay Lost and Found



The Development Plans for Mumbai is criticized as "a form of 'planned' exclusion of the poor and the middle class", which have failed to address issues of slums and affordable housing.











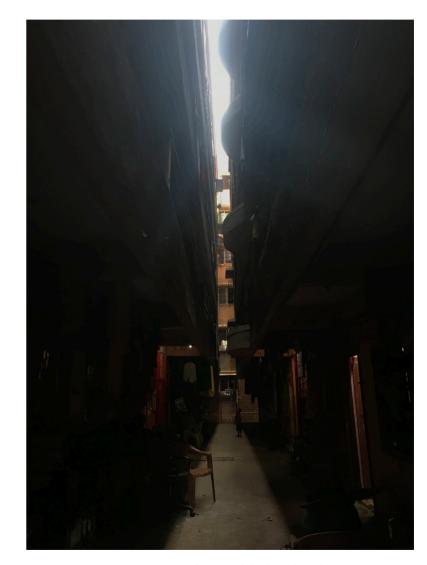








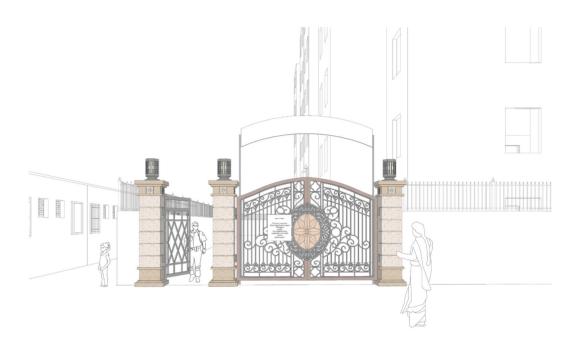
Open spaces in Gated Communities



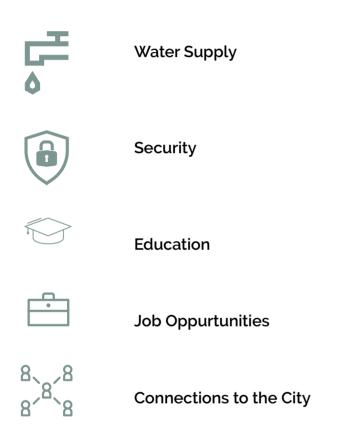
Open spaces in Handshake Chawls

Conspicuous Separation





Ghettoization



Resources made unavailable due to ghettoization

Ghettoization





Lack of Decision Making Power among People



Slum Rehabilitation Authority (SRA) displaced Resident

- · displaced to periphery, lack of connections
- · lack of maintainence of new building
- does not feel safe
- · lack of water supply
- unemployment



Baithi Chawl Resident

- Baithi Chawl under the threat of being redeveloped into handshake chawl
- builders did not provide the promised compensation and temporary housing
- refuses to move because of lack of water supply in handshake chawls



Sri Prastha Cooperative Housing Resident

- · Buildings falling apart
- Residents seriously injured by falling slab
- There has been ongoing rumours of possible redevelopment for the past decade but nothing has happened

Problem Statement

The widening of income gap leads to

spatial inequality in Mumbai and Nalasopara, which contributes to

the unfairness in accessibility to open space,

harsh separation across income groups,

ghettoization of marginalized groups,

and the lack of decision-making power among people,

which all together

denies people to The Right to the City

"Right to the City"

(1) the right to appropriate urban space

(2) the right to participate centrally in the production of urban space

(3) the right to diversity

Design Goal

The project therefore aims to

Create accessible and meaningful urban spaces across income groups, soften boundaries among income groups while having appropriate borders, provide oppurtunities for people participation in the development process, and accommodate and encourage diversity,

which all together

bring The Right to the City to the People

Research Question

How can housing and urban design allow **equal participation** in the development of the built environment and **equal access to open spaces** across income groups?

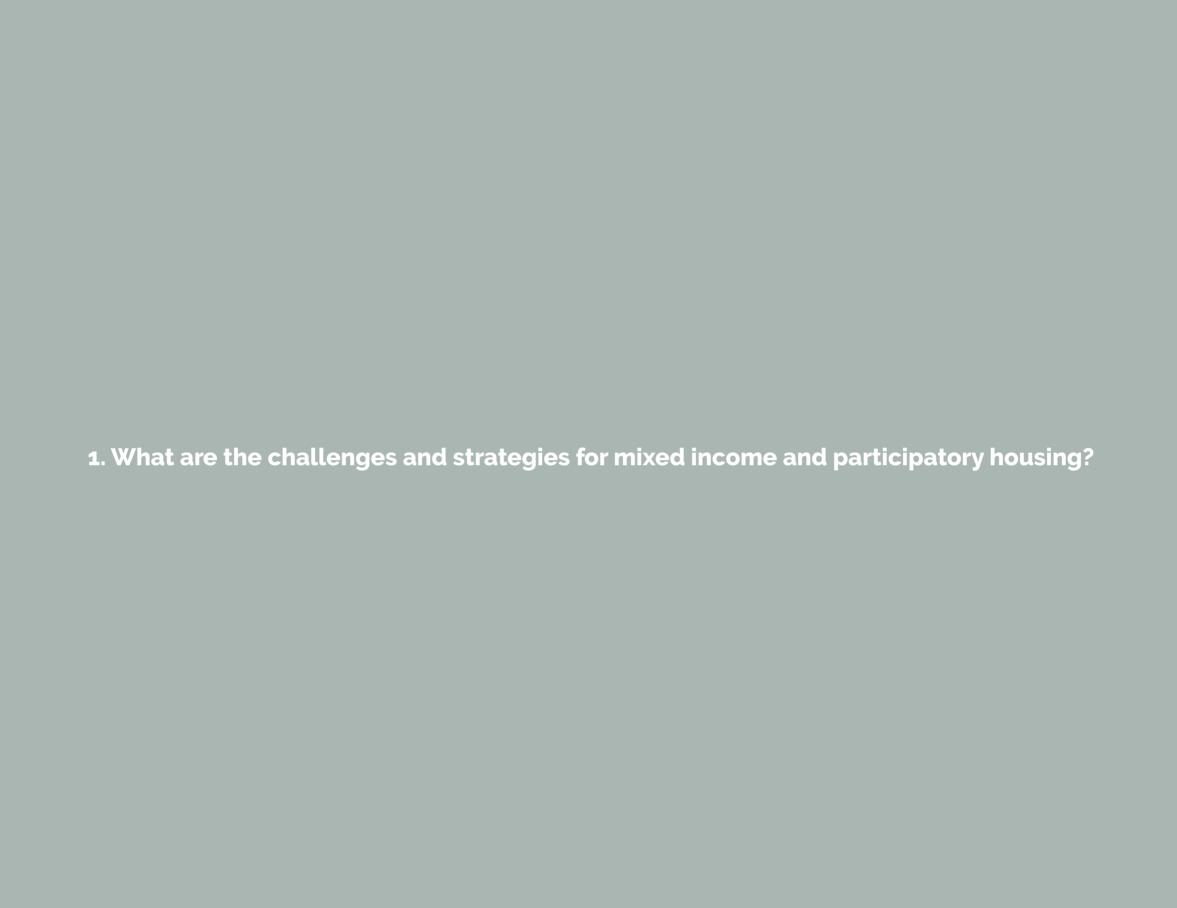
Spatial Level:

- 1. What are the challenges and strategies for mixed income and participatory housing?
- 2. What are the aspirations of different income groups?
- 3. What is the suitable housing configuration to encourage social interaction while keeping appropriate borders?

Organizational Level:

- 4. What is the appropriate level of intervention for the government, sponsor, and user?
- 5. What are the models of participatory design?

02 spatial research



1. Challenges and Strategies for Mixed Income Housing

Clustering Strategies of Income Groups



Completely Separated

- Hard to form social ties
- · Harsh separation and exclusion



Fully Integrated

- Difficulties in building management due to different aspirations
- Inequality in decision making power
- Hard to attract High Income Groups



Clustered with "Zones of Exchanges

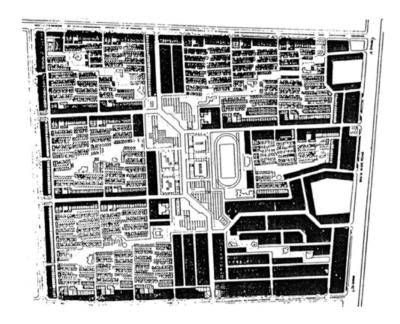
Borders as zones of exchanges, as spaces for encounter to encourage formation of social capital

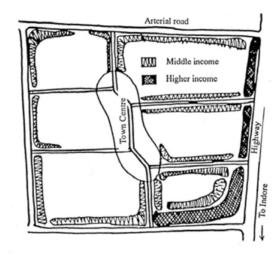
"Borders are porous edges... boundary is an edge where things end... Whereas the border is an edge where different groups interact... an active zone of exchange."

Richard Sennett Building and Dwelling: Ethics for the City

1. Challenges and Strategies for Mixed Income Housing

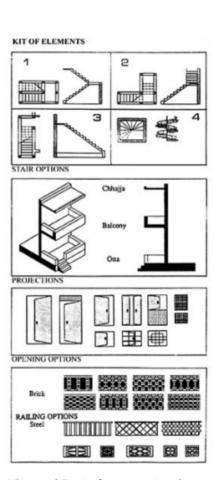
Case Studies - Aranya Township, Indore, India - Balkrishna Doshi





Series of open spaces that lead to center

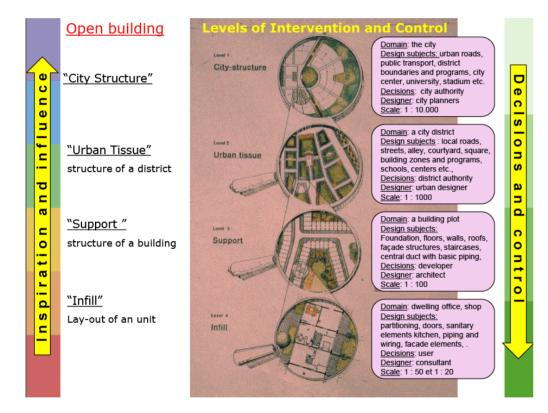
Zoning of income groups: HIG and MIG on the periphery, LIG towards center



Kits and Parts for users to choose from

1. Challenges and Strategies for Mixed Income Housing

Case Studies - Molenvliet, Papendrecht, the Netherlands - Frans van der Werf (Open Building Movement)







Open Building Movement: Levels of Intervention and Control "Diversity Within Wholeness"

2. What are the aspirations of different income groups?	

2. Aspirations of Income Groups

Typological and Literature References

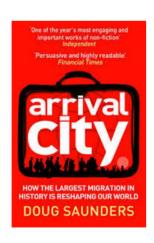
EWS & LIG



Baithi Chawl, Nalasopara



Mid-rise Chawls, Nalasopara



Arrival CityDoug Saunders

Lower MIG



New Frontiers & Challenges for Affordable Housing Provision in India *Urmi Sengupta*



Gated Communities, Nalasopara



Sriprastha

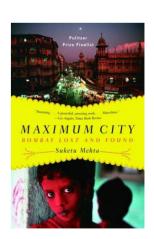
Upper MIG



Global City, Virar Rustomjee



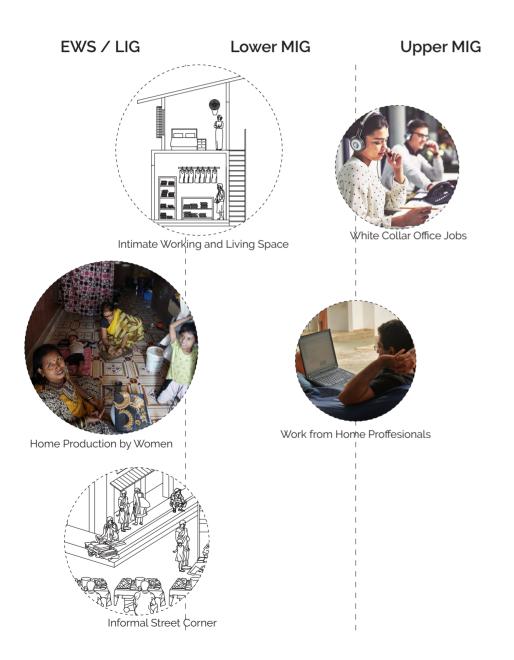
Kanchajunga Apartments, Mumbai Charles Correa



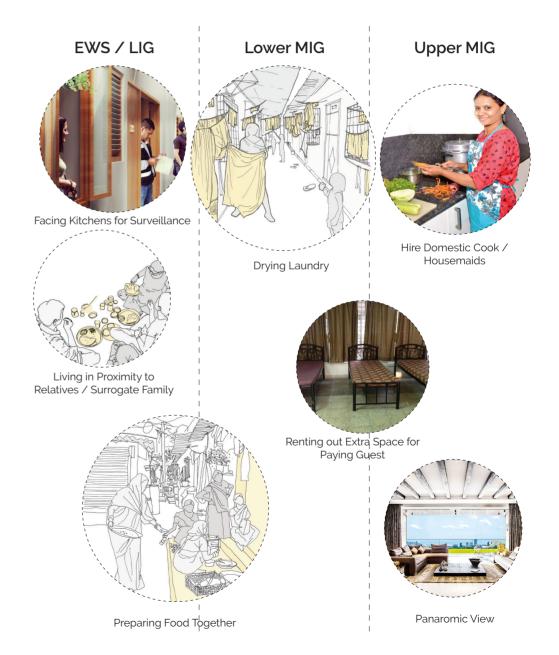
Maximum City - Bombay Lost and Found Suketu Mehta

2. Aspirations of Income Groups

Pattern of Inhabitation: Income Generation



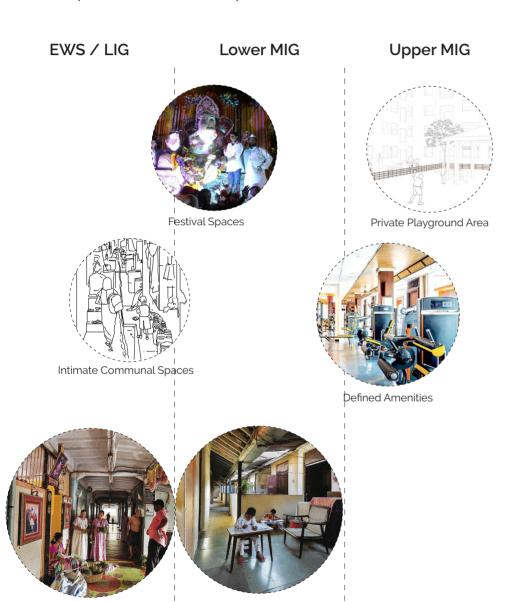
Pattern of Inhabitation: Domestic Spaces



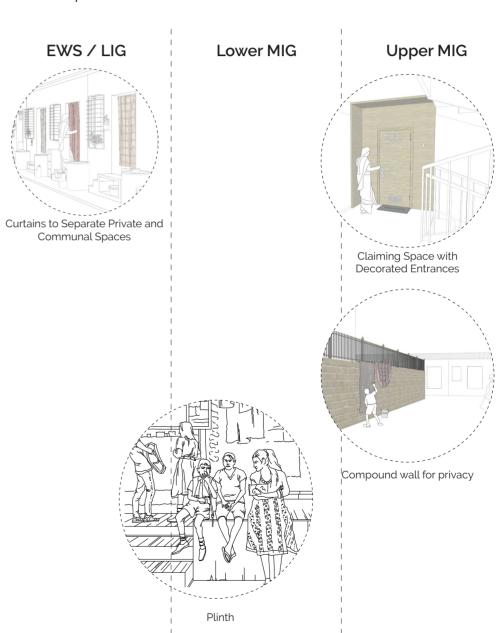
2. Aspirations of Income Groups

Undefined open space for flexible use

Pattern of Inhabitation: Social Spaces and Amenities

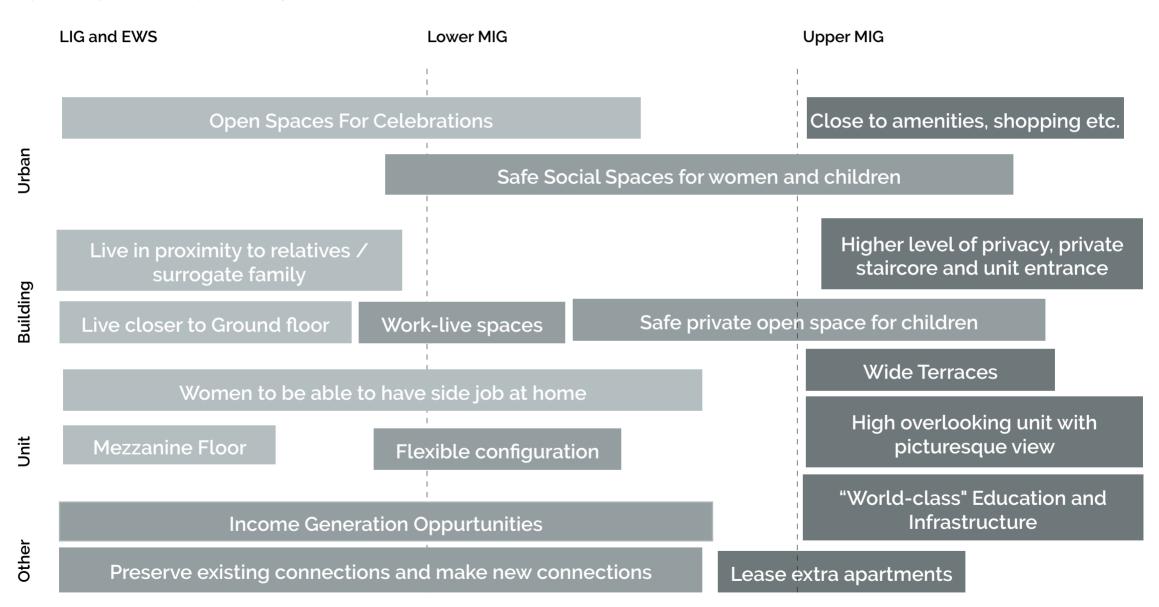


Pattern of Inhabitation: Borders



2. Aspirations of Income Groups

Aspiration of Income Groups Summary

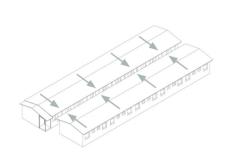


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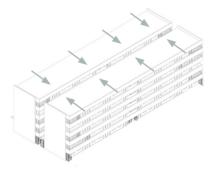
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Inward Facing



Baithi Chawls

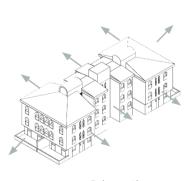


Extruded "Handshake" Chawls



Gated Communities

Outward Facing

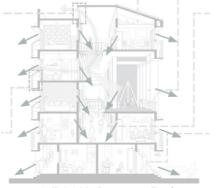


Sriprastha



MHADA Housing Proposal, Charles Correa

Facing Bothways



UDAAN, Sameep Padora



Negligence of the edge in inward facing buildings

03 building design

Location: Sriprastha



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Issues and Threats

- 1. Building is Falling Apart
- 2. Uncertain Future
- 3. Reluctance to Invest in Maintenance
- 4. Concentration of Single Income Tier
- 5. High Vacancy Rate
- 6. Lack of Oppurtunities for Income Generation
- 7. Lack of Hierarchy and Diversity in Open Spaces



Location: Sriprastha

Future Scenarios

Current Situation Future Scenario 1: nothing takes place Future Scenario 2: rumoured development takes place Proposed Scenario: Typological Mix

Location: Sriprastha

Strength and Oppurtunities

- 1. Existing Grid Structure
- 2. Porous Urban Fabric
- 3. Access to Lower Middle Income Group
- 4. Existing Connection with People from Nalasopara East
- 5. Mixed Religious Communities
- 6. Existing Structure of Housing Cooperative Societies



Building Strategy

Typological Mix





Low rise - Chain Typology

Mid rise - Slab Typology

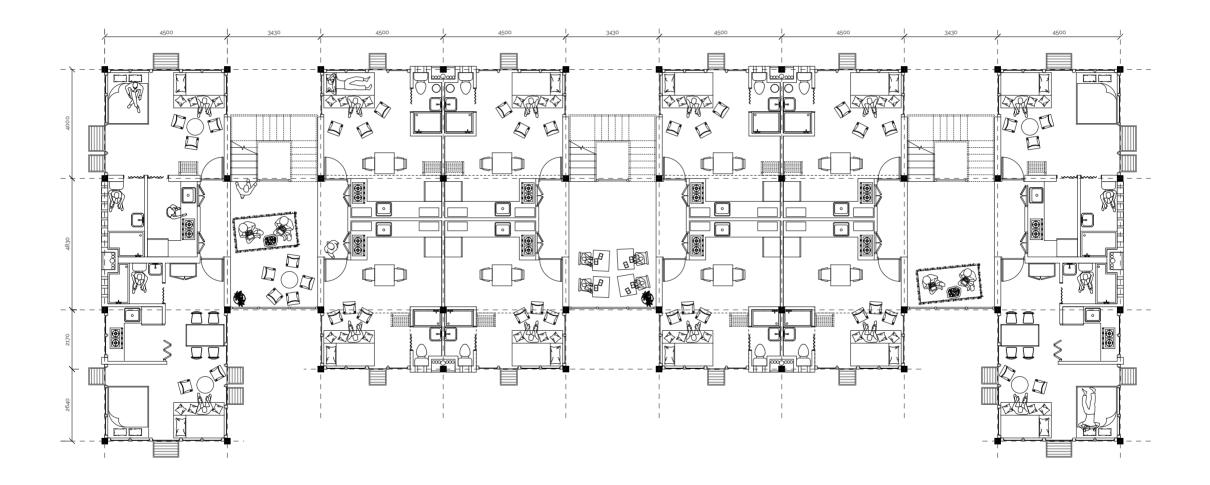
High rise - Tower Typology

Building Strategy

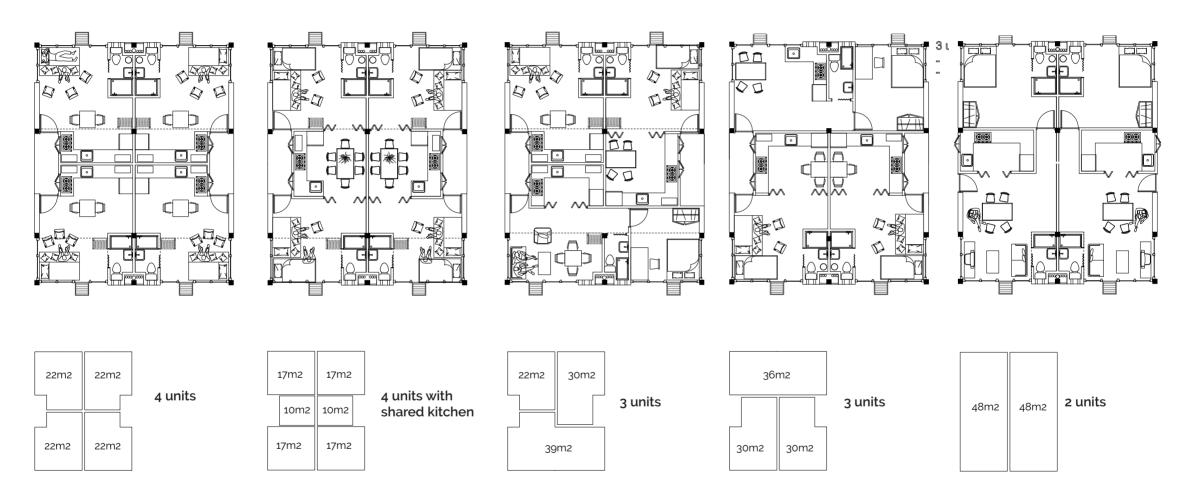
Type 1: Low-rise - Chain Typology



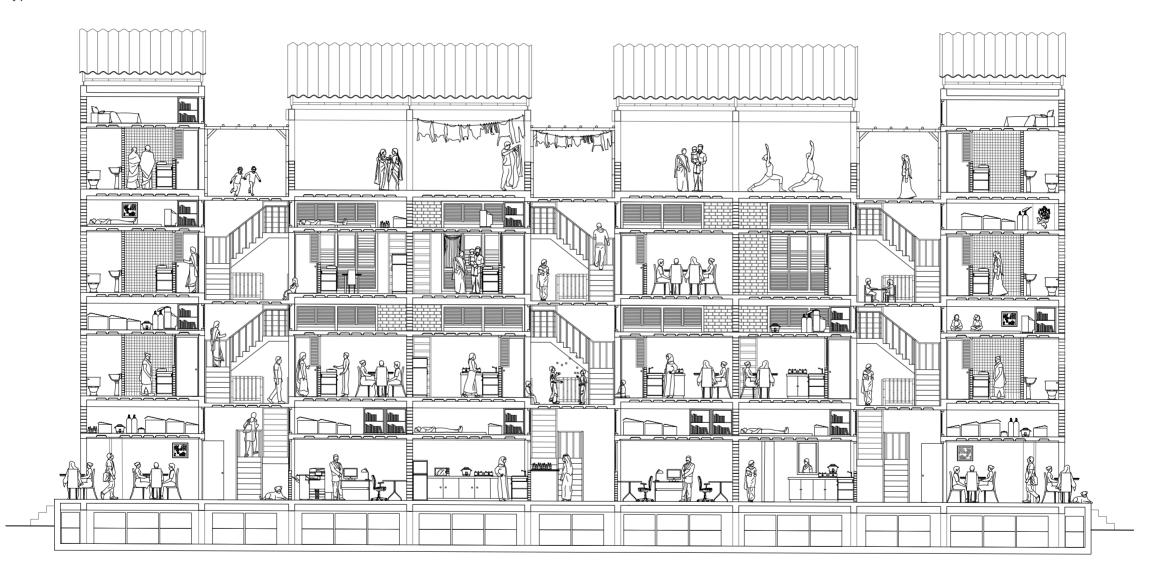
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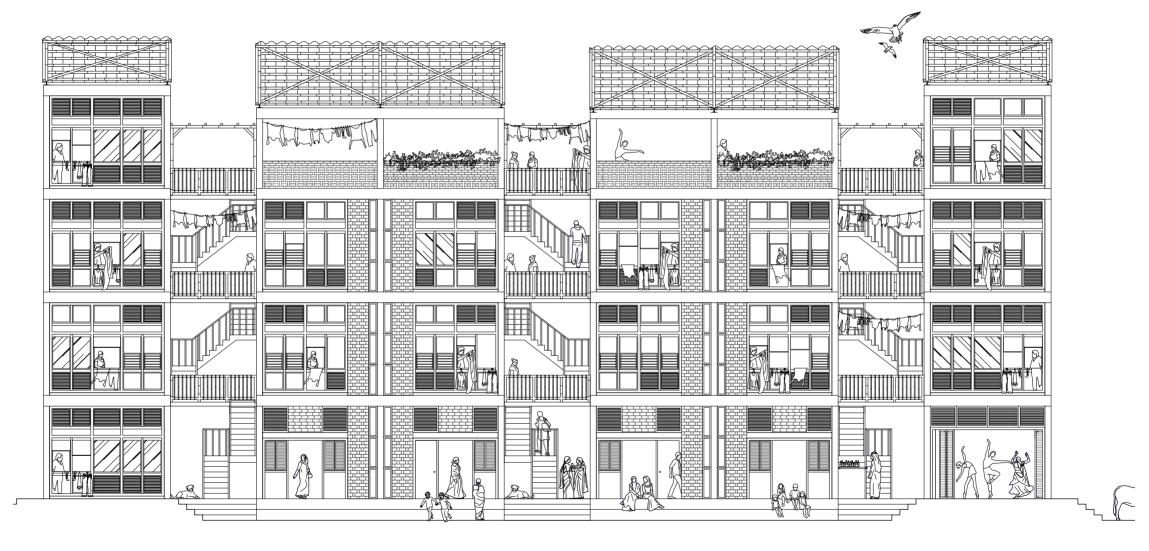
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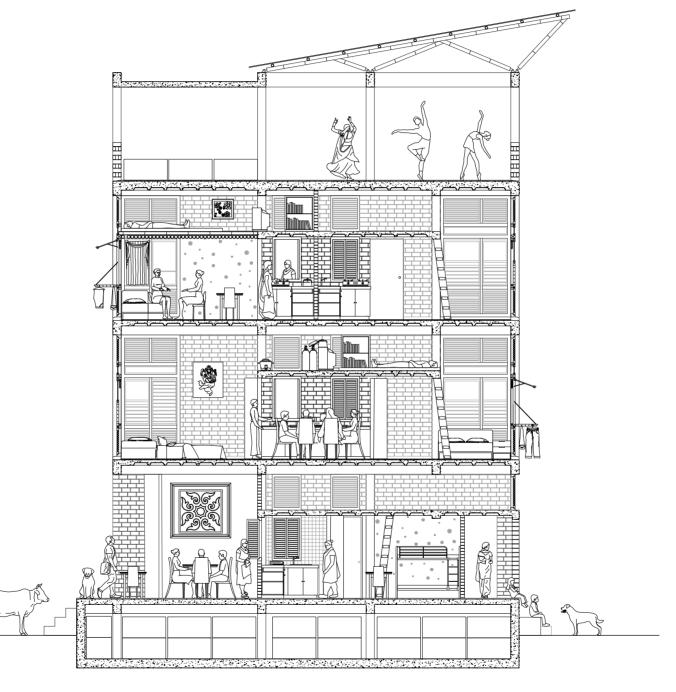
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Street side

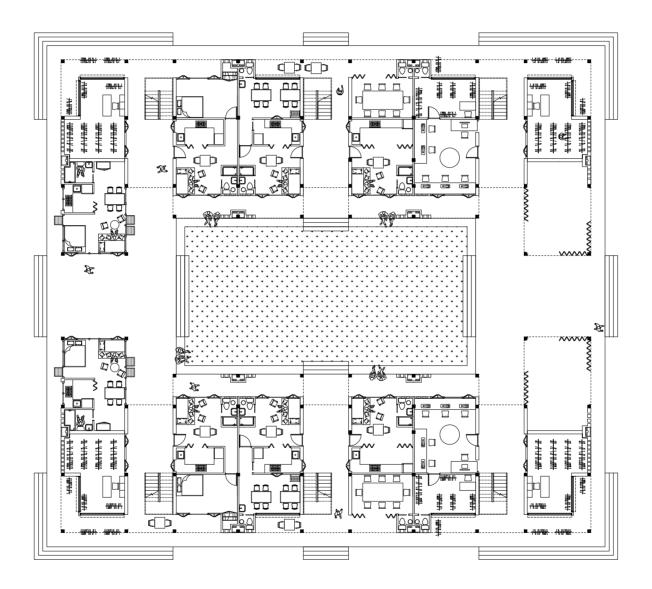


Courtyard side

Low-rise - Section

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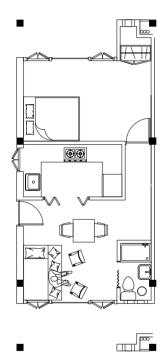
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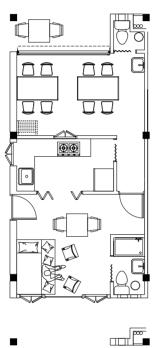


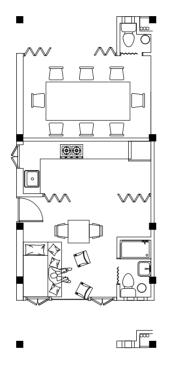
Low-rise - Ground Floor

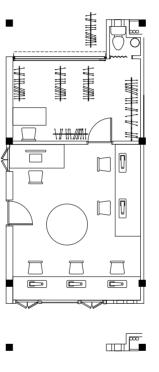
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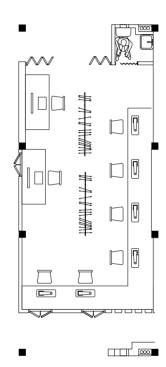
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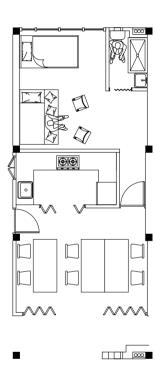












Entirely living

43m2 living space (++ mezzanine)

Restaurant + living

15m2 restaurant

- + 6m2 kitchen
- + 16m2 living space (++ mezzanine)

Living & leased

- 15m2 production space
- 22m2 living space
- (++ mezzanine)

Production + retail

15m2 retail space

+ 22m2 production space (++ mezzanine)

Production

39m2 production space (++ mezzanine)

Living + community

Day:

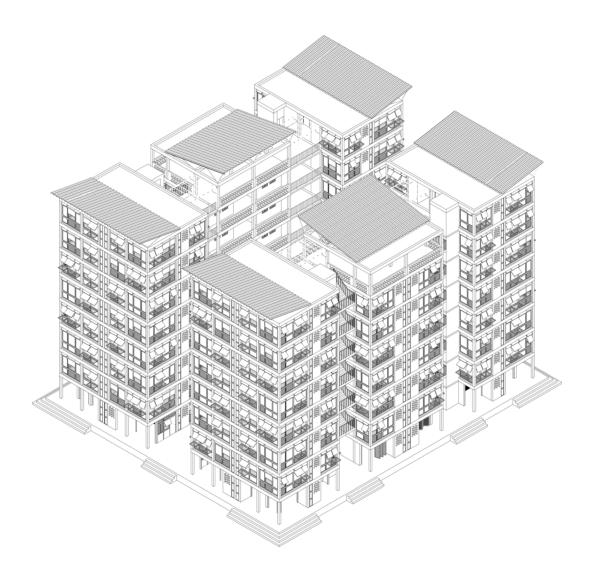
16m2 community space

+27m2 living space

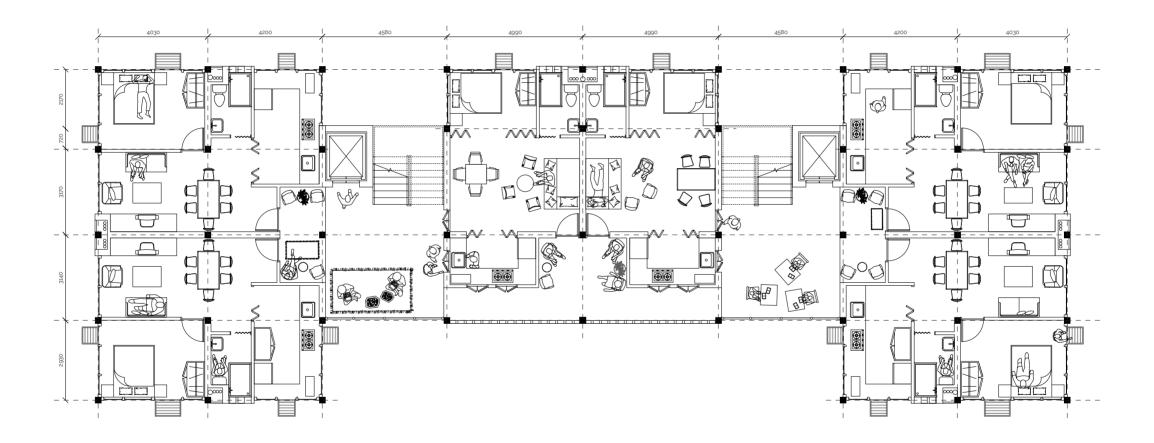
Night: 43m2 living space (++ mezzanine)

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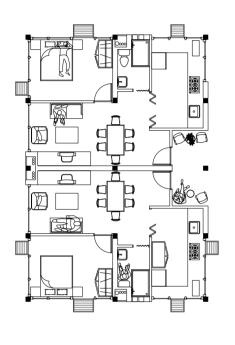
Type 2: Mid-rise - Slab Typology

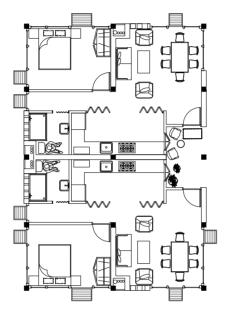


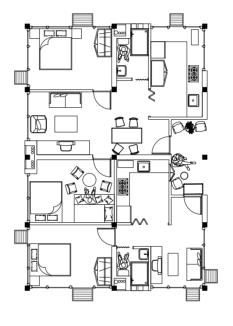
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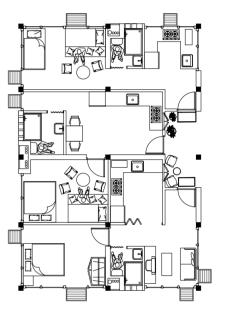


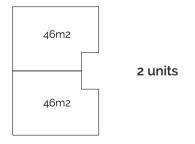
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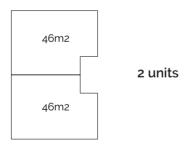


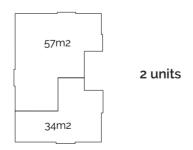


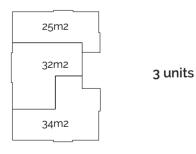




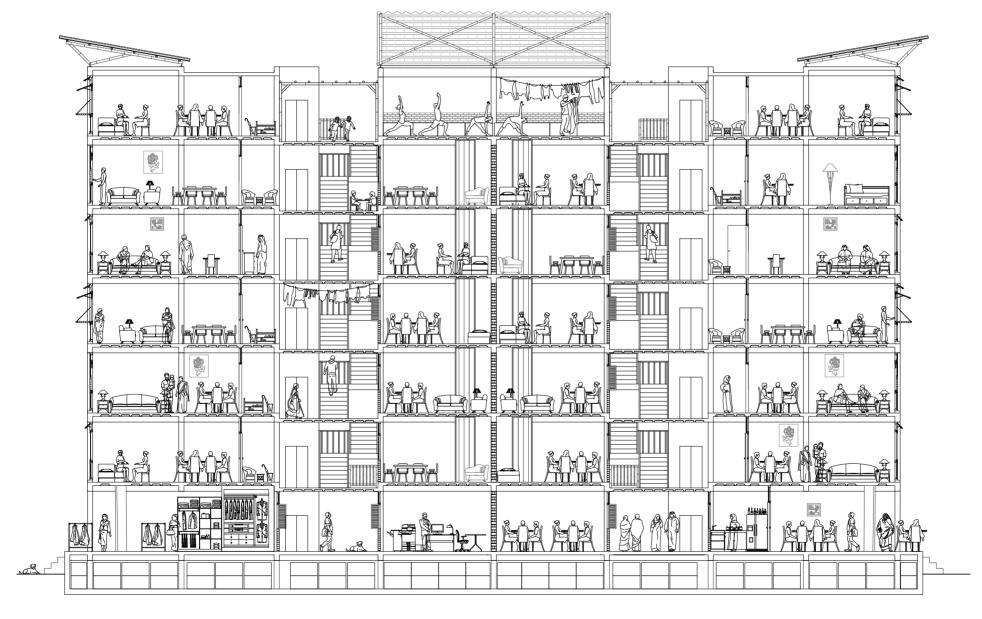








Type 2: Mid-rise - Slab



Mid-rise - Section

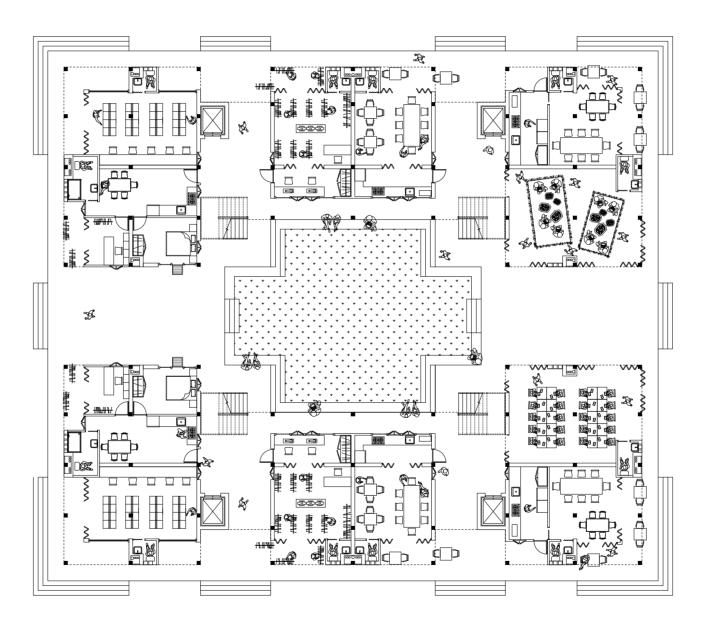


Mid-rise - Elevation

Type 2: Mid-rise - Slab



Type 2: Mid-rise - Slab

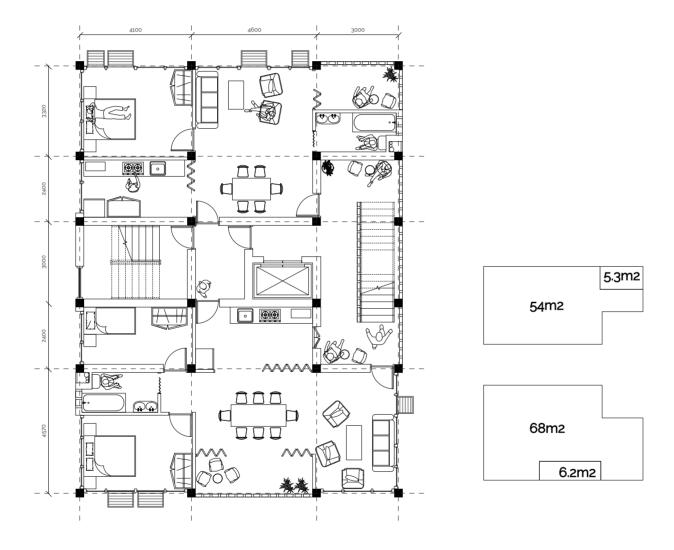


Mid-rise - Ground Floor

Building Strategy



Type 3: High-rise - Tower



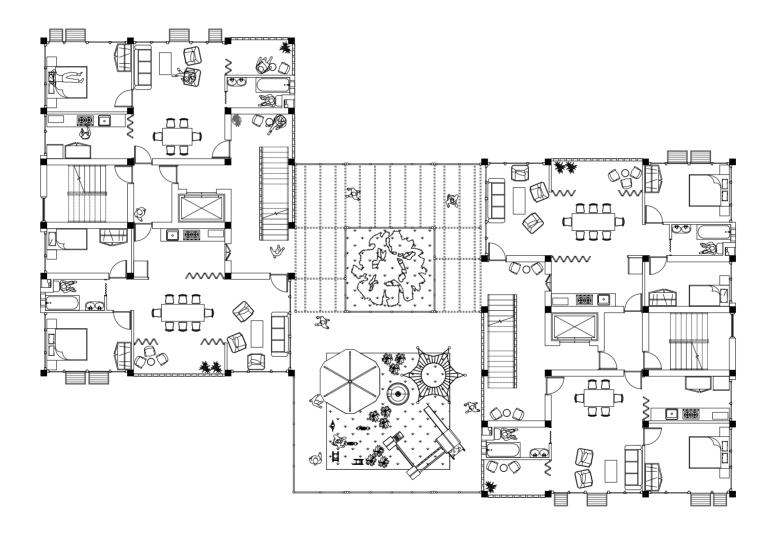
High-rise - Typical Floor

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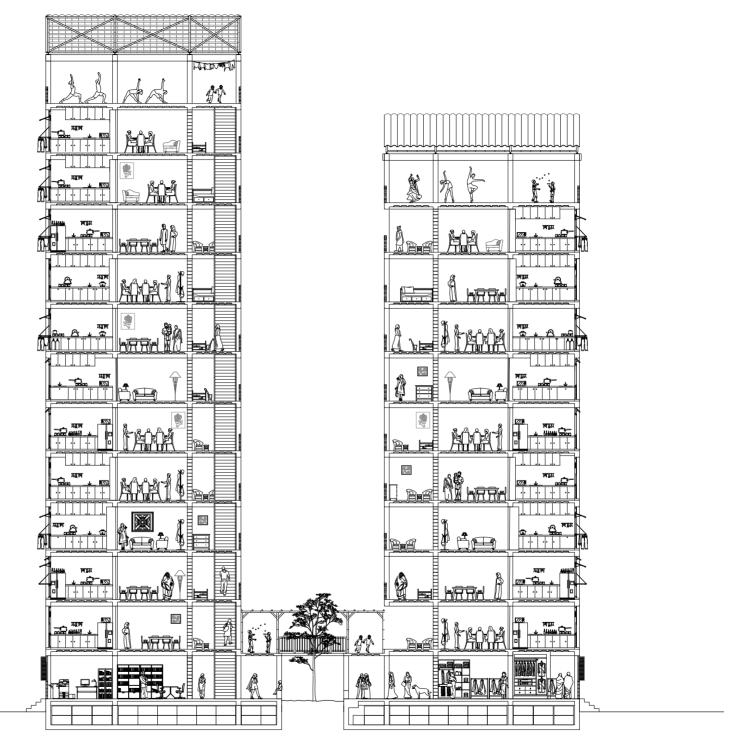
High-rise - Elevation

Building Strategy



High-rise - 1F Podium Plan

Building Strategy



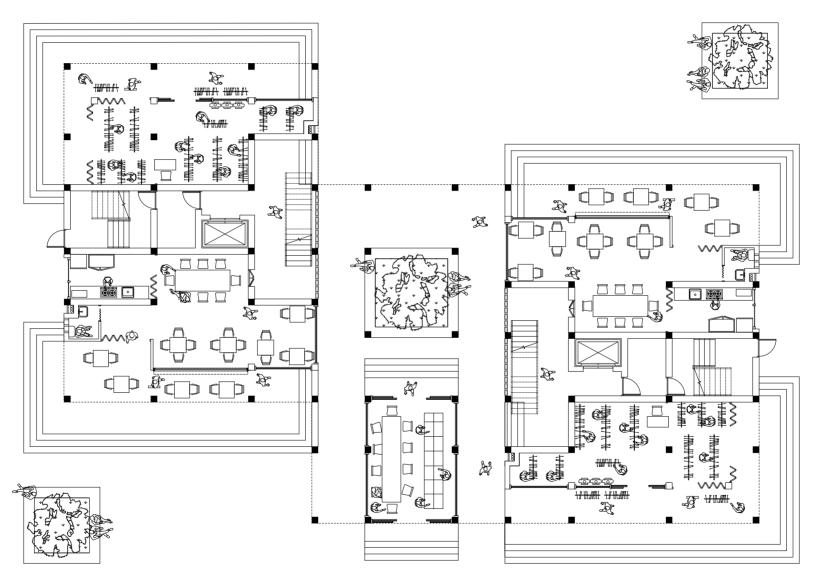
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High-rise - Elevation

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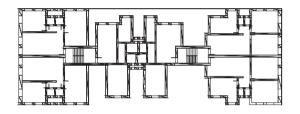


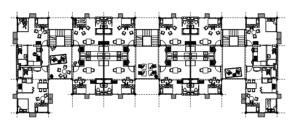
High-rise - GF Plan

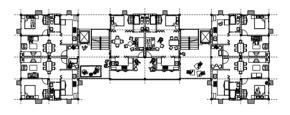
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Typology Comparison

Spatial Aspects









Sri Prastha

no elevatorno common space among unitsdark circulation spaces

Low rise - Chain Typology

- no elevator
- each 2-4 units share unprogrammed open space
- shared courtyard space and multi-purpose hall on GF
 - facing kitchens among neighbours for security surveillance
 - flexible Work-Live units on GF
 - -oppurtunity to add mezzanine

Mid rise - Slab Typology

- with elevator
- each 2-3 units share unprogrammed open space
 shared courtyard space and multi-purpose hall on
- shared courtyard space and multi-purpose hall on GF
 - larger threshold area before entering unit
 - flexible Work-Live units on GF
 - multiple ducts for flexible unit configuration

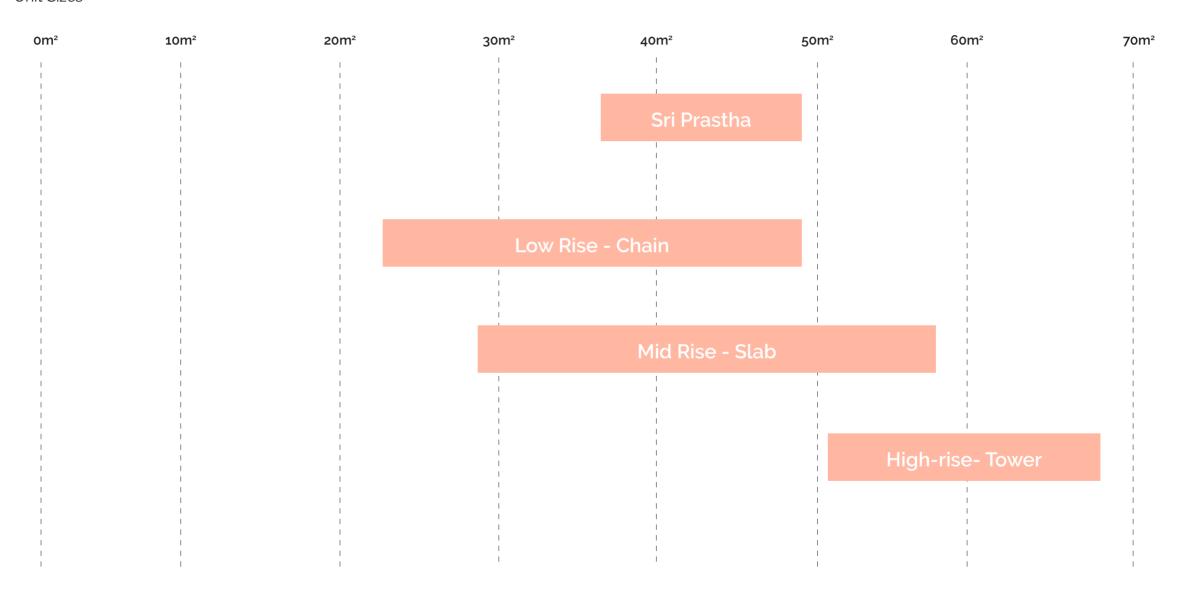
High rise - Tower Typology

- with elevator
- each unit has its own entrance
- each unit has its own balcony
- panoramic view from the top
- GF is completely for commercial or ammenities
 - Private communal podium on 1F

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Typology Comparison

Unit Sizes



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Typology Comparison

Society Figures



Sri Prastha

Number of dwelling per two buildings: 36

Unit sizes: 35 - 48 m²

Plot FSI: 1.4

Storeys: 3

Target Group: Lower MIG



Low rise - Chain Typology

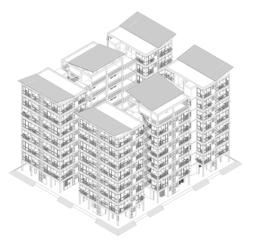
Number of dwelling per two buildings: 38 - 80 (depending on unit combination)

Unit sizes : 22-50m²

Plot FSI: 2.64

Storeys: 4 (with mezzanine)

Target Group: EWS, LIG, Lower MIG



Mid rise - Slab Typology

Number of dwelling per two buildings: 76 - 104 (depending on unit combination)

Unit sizes : 31-57m²

Plot FSI: 3.5

Storeys: 7

Target Group: LIG, Lower MIG, Middle MIG



High rise - Tower Typology

Number of dwelling per two buildings: 40 (+5 commercial spaces)

Unit sizes : 54-68m²

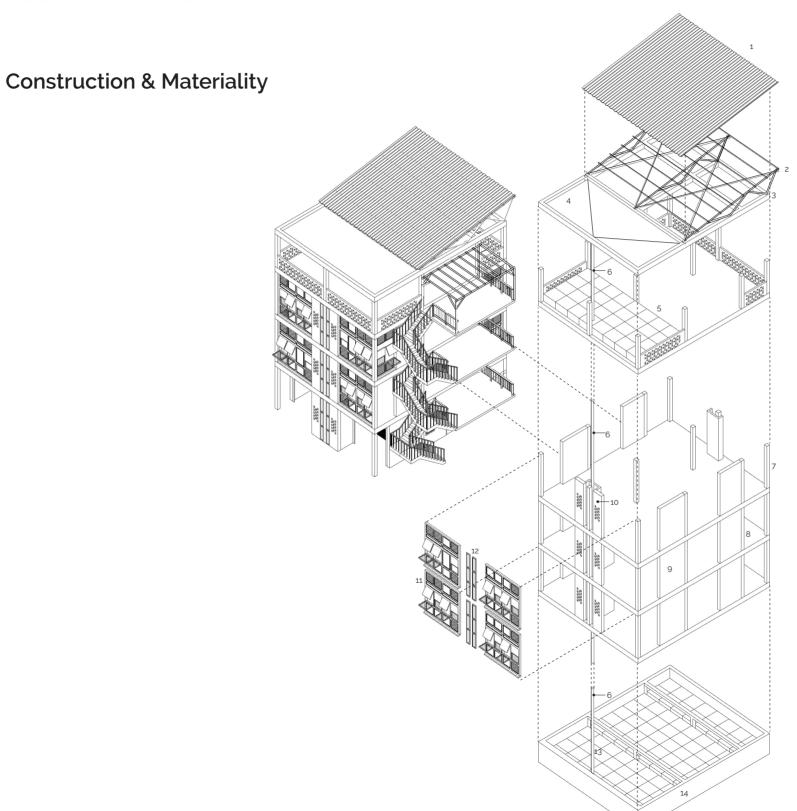
Plot FSI: 2.5

Storeys: 10-12

Target Group: Middle MIG, Upper MIG

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Roof

- 1 corrugated bamboo sheet
- 2 bamboo roof trusses and purlins
- 3 concrete ring beam
- 4 concrete roof gutter
- 5 modular water tank
- 6 rainwater downpipe

Building

- 7 concrete skeleton
- 8 filler slab
- 9 stabalizing walls (fly ash brick or AAC blocks)10 fly ash brick walls with jali as stabalizing walls

Facade

- 11 flexible user defined facade system
- 12 removable panels for pipe shaft

Ground

- 13 modular water tank
- 14 concrete foundation slab

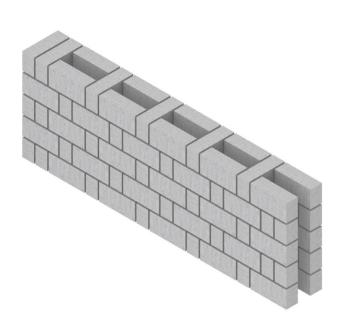
Structure

Comparison of Common Masonry Types in India

		Raw Material	Density	Availability	Cost and Cost Benefits	Finishing	Environmental Impact
	Red Clay Bricks	Clay	1800 kg/mm³	High, Locally Available	Rs 3200/m³, overall cost is more, requires most mortar	Can be exposed	Made from topsoil, reduces agricultural land. Higher CO2 emmision due to firing
/	Fly Ash Bricks	Fly Ash, Cement, Sand/ Stone dust	2200 kg/mm³	High, Locally Available	Rs 3100/m³, overall cost is more, requires most mortar	Can be exposed	Use flyash produced by thermal power plants, Very low CO2 emission during manufacturing
/	AAC Blocks	Cement, Fly ash, Aluminium Powder, Air Entraining Agent (for lightweight purposes)	550-650 kg/mm³, Saves Steel in High Rise	Highly Available in Tier I & II Cities where High-Rise construction occurs	Rs 4200/m³, Individual block is expensive but overall cost is low, consumes less mortar, cheaper in bulk	Has to be plastered due to high porosity	Manufacturing waste is recycled, less CO2 emission during manufacturing
,	CLC Blocks	Cement, Fly ash, Foaming Agent (for lightweight purposes)	800kg/mm³ Saves Steel in High Rise	Less Available	Rs 4000/m³, Individual block is expensive but overall cost is low, consumes less mortar, cheaper in bulk	Has to be plastered due to high porosity	Use flyash produced by thermal power plants, Very low CO2 emission during manufacturing

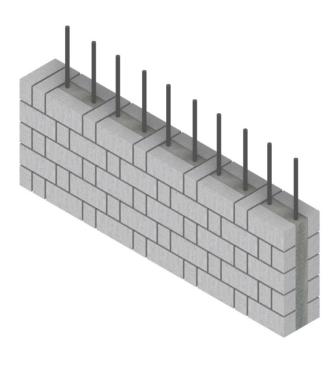
Structure

Stabalizing Wall



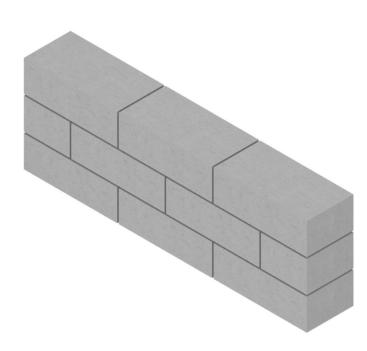
Fly ash brick - Rat trap bond

Stabalizing elements in Low rise Typology



Fly ash brick - Reinforced Rat trap bond

Stabalizing elements on the facade in Mid-rise & High-rise Typology



AAC Blocks

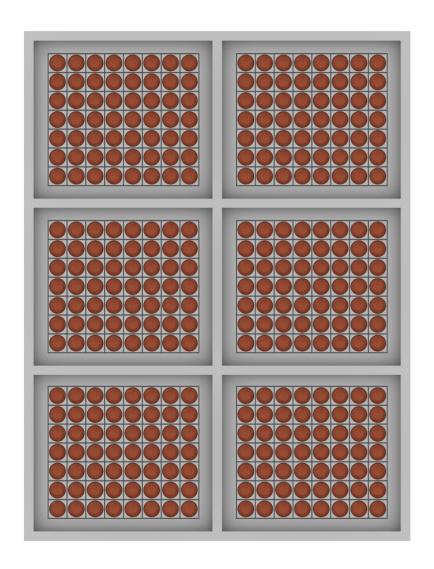
Internal stabalizing elements in Mid-rise & High-rise Typlogy

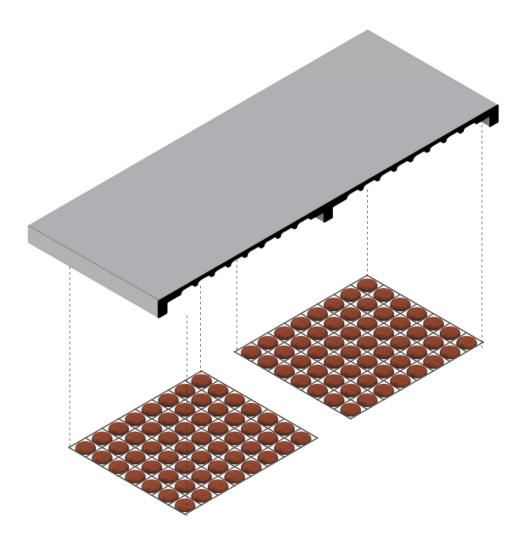
Rat Trap bond

- Requires approximately 25% less bricks and 40% less mortar than traditional masonry bond
- Cavity induced in wall provides better thermal insulation, resulting in cooler interiors during summer and warmer interiors during winter.

Structure

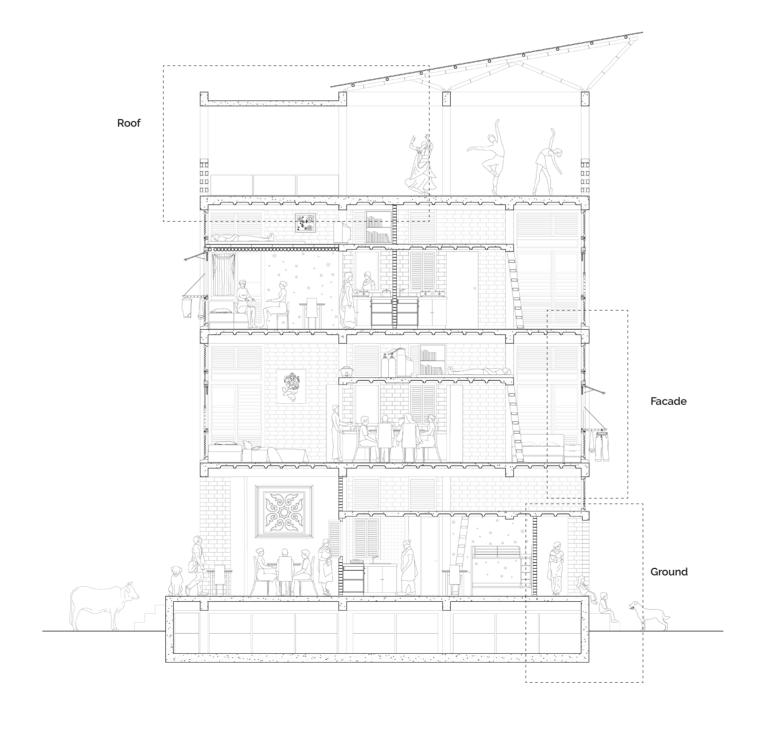
Filler Slab





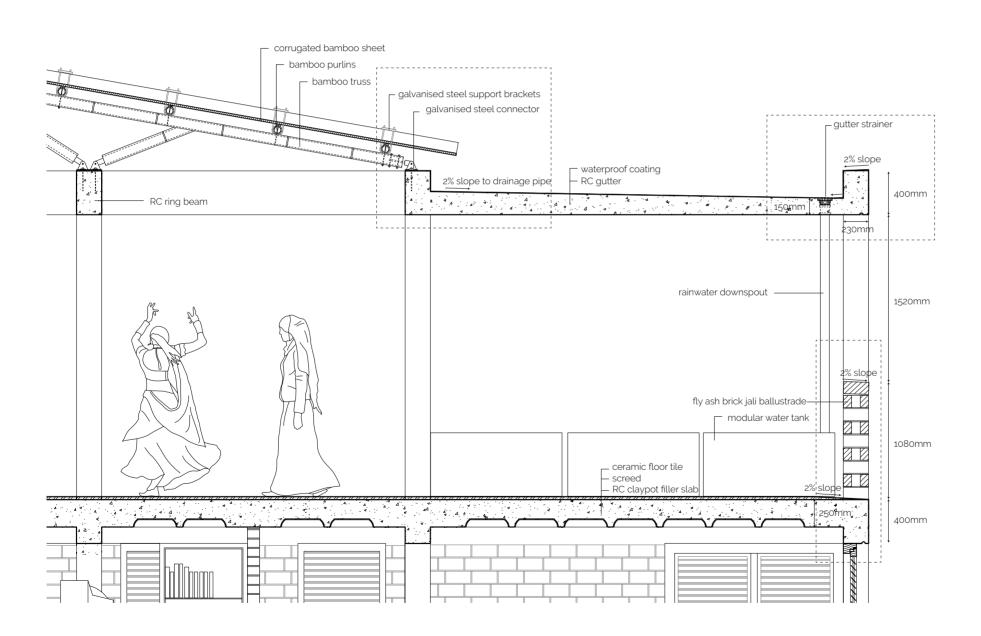
Construction & Materiality

Building section 1:50



Construction & Materiality

Roof 1:20





corrugated bamboo sheet





broken recycled china tiles



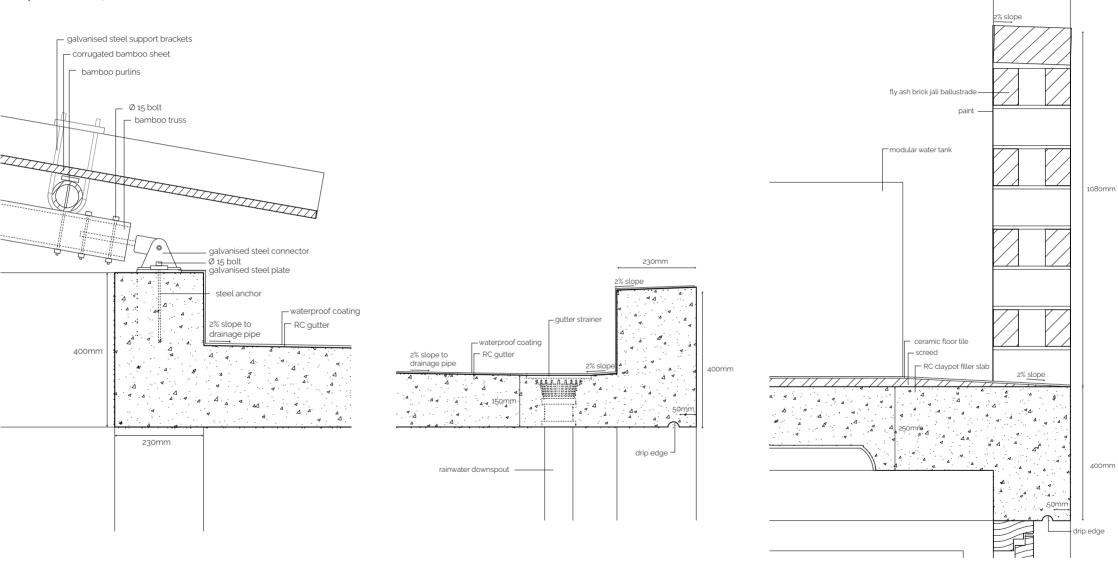
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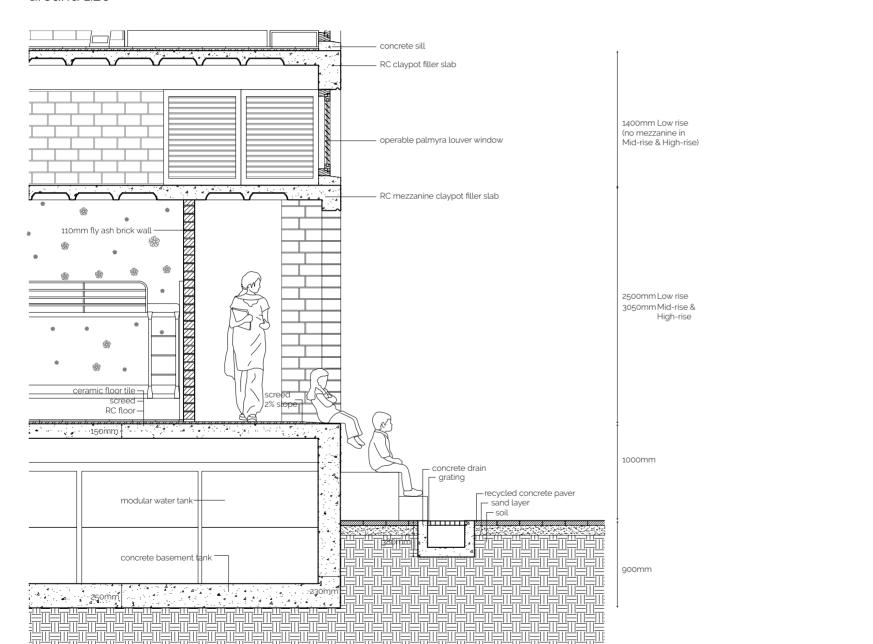
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Roof Details 1:5



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Ground 1:20





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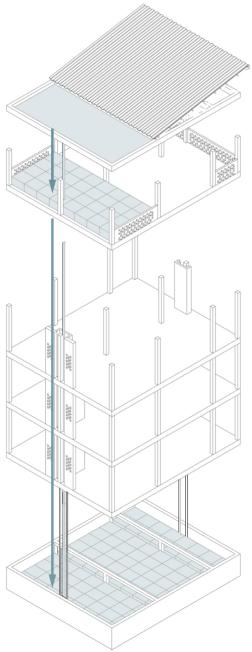
Water Management

Concrete roof gutter

Temporary water storage for overflow

Transportation of water through toilet pipe shaft

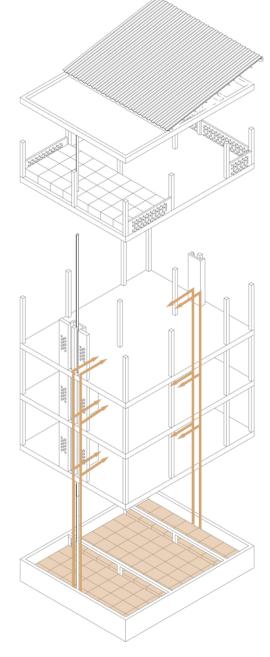
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Provision of water to individual units for grey water use

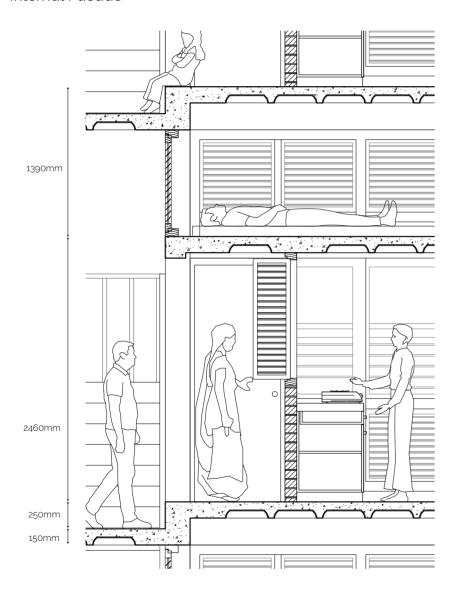
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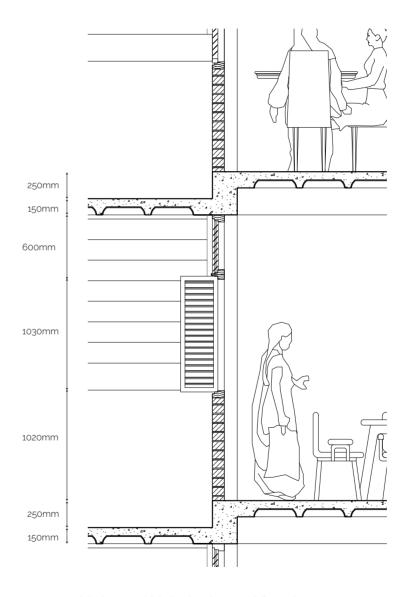
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Internal Facade



Low-rise internal facade

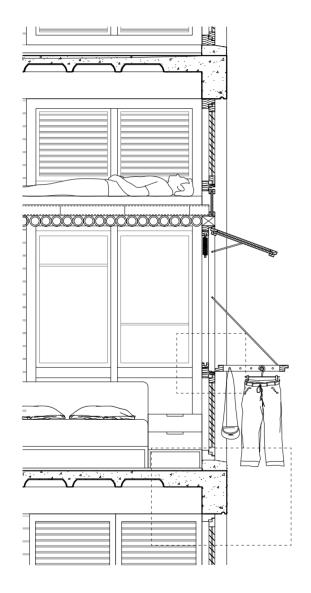


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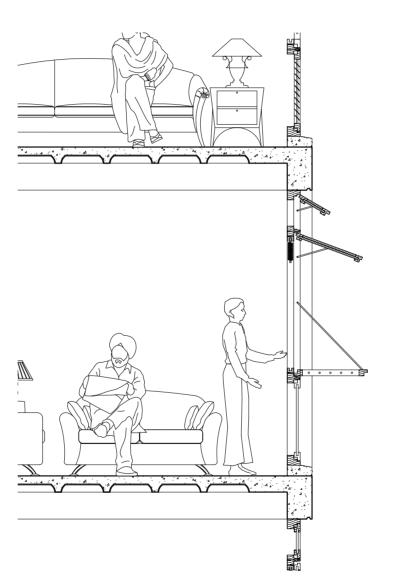


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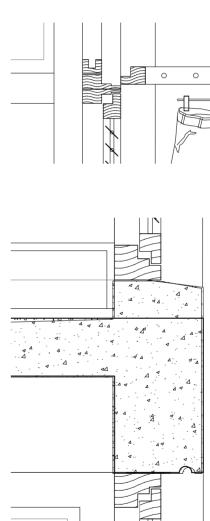
External Facade 1:20







Mid-rise and high-rise external facade



1:5 facade details



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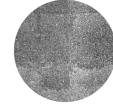
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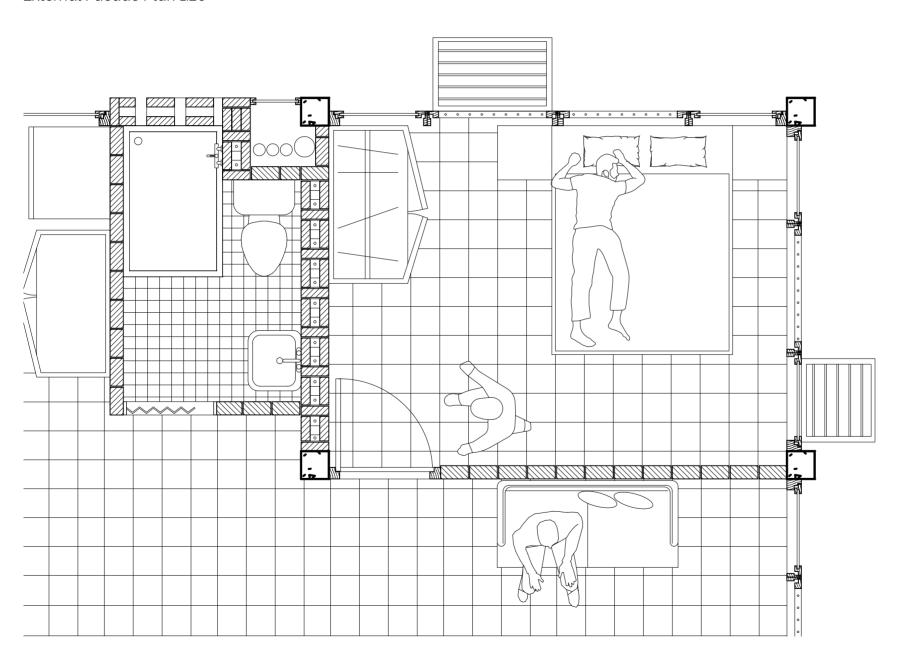
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External Facade Elevation 1:20 - materials





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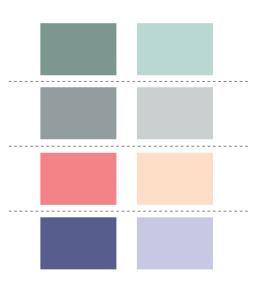


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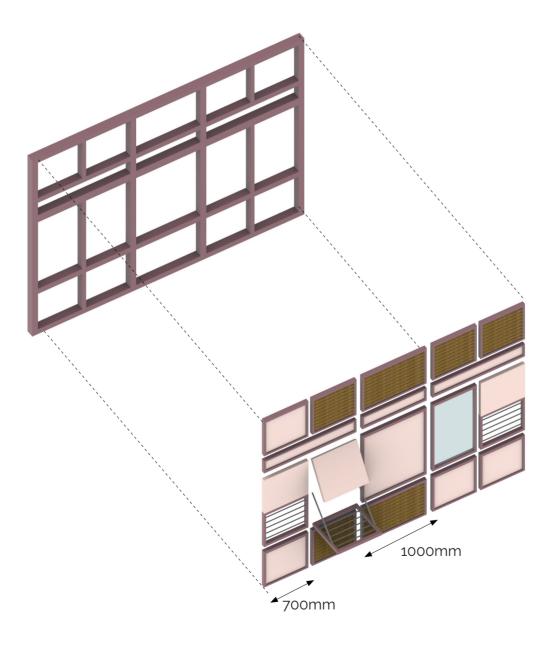




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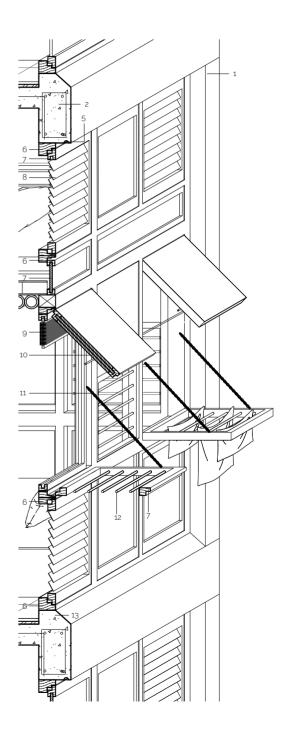
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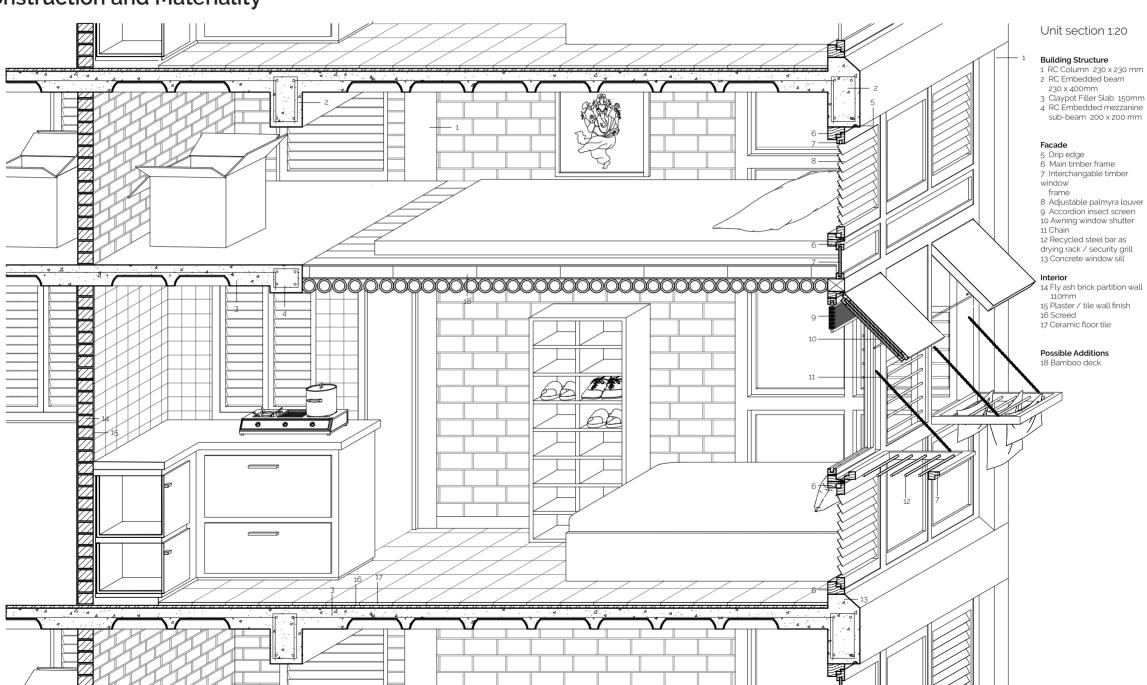


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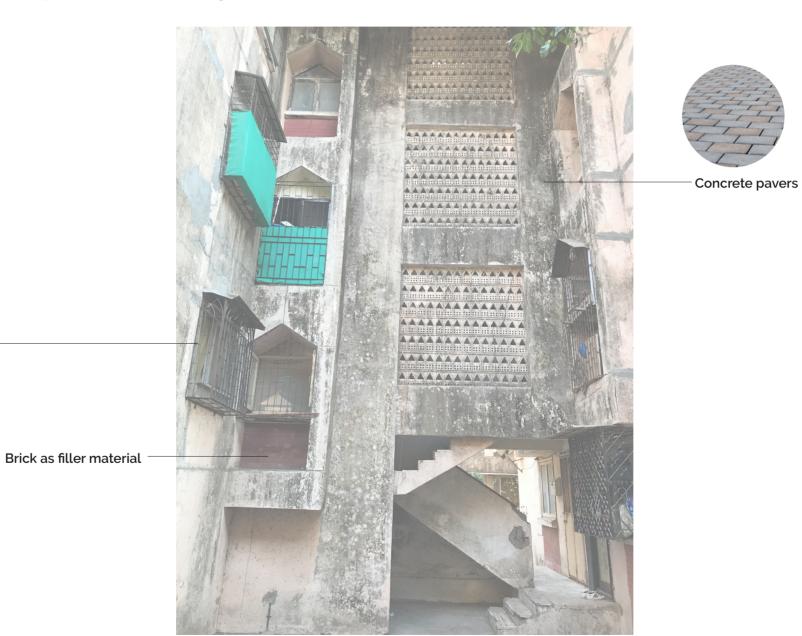
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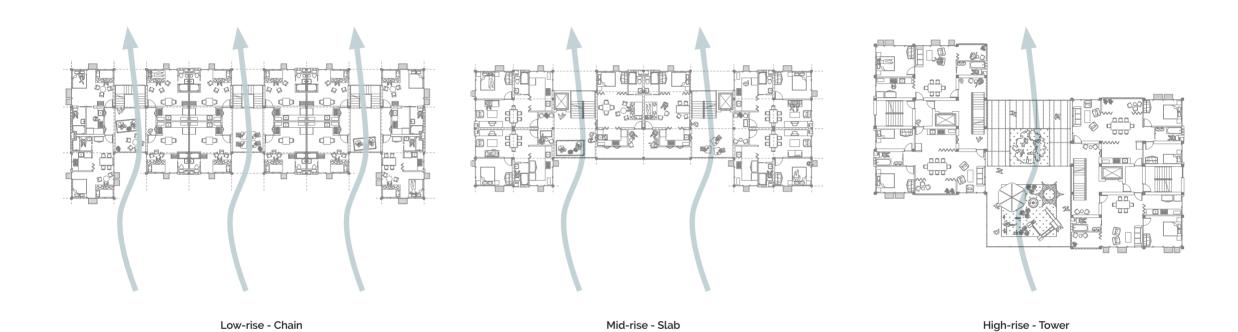
Laundry drying grill

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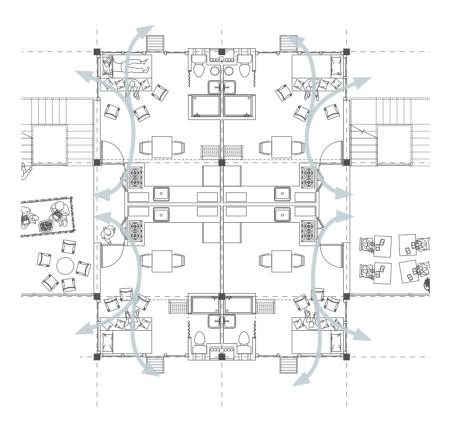
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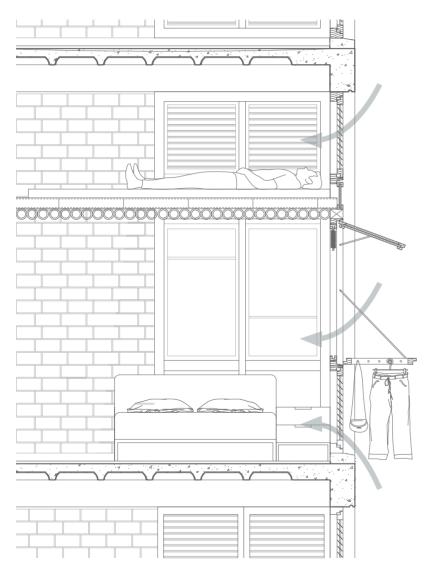
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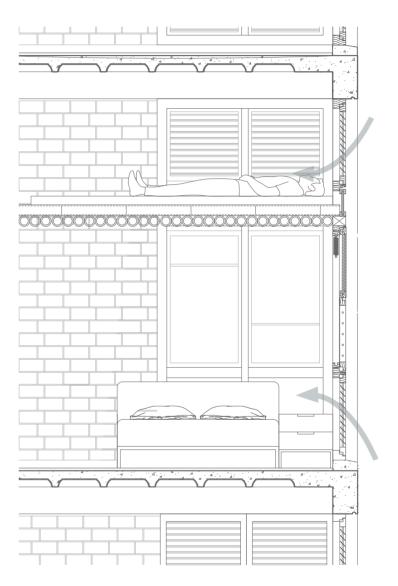
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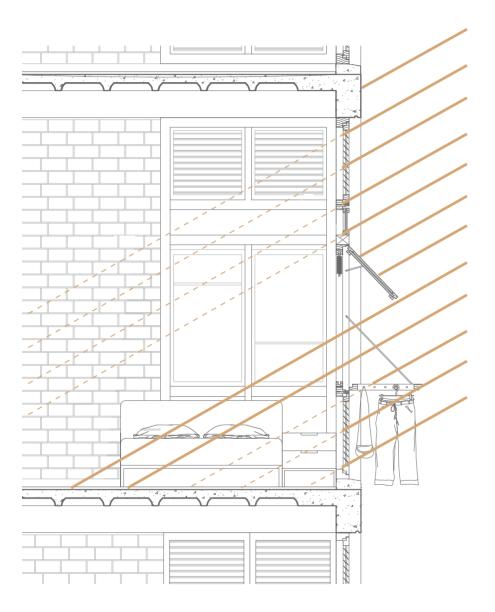
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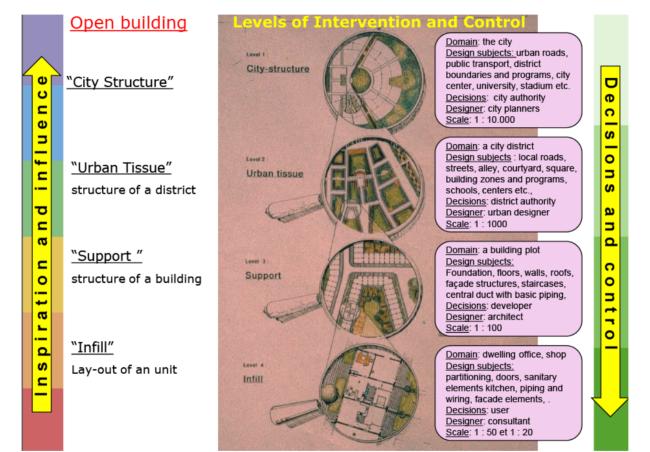


urban design & operational model



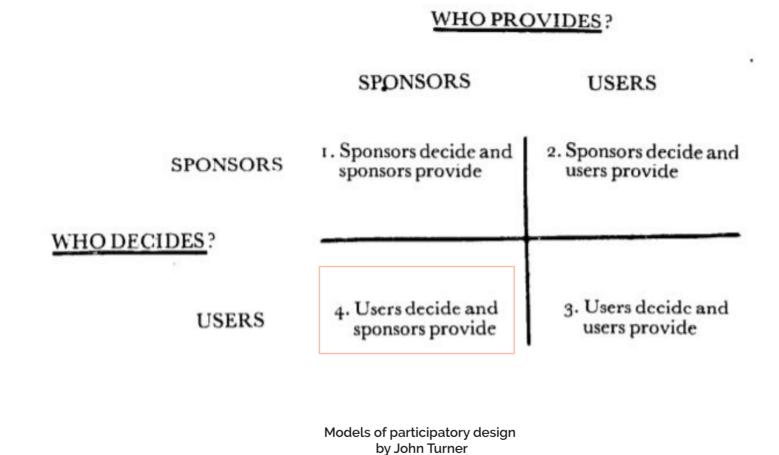
Levels of Intervention and Participation

Example: Open Building



Ideal Levels of Intervention and Control in the "Open Building" Concept by Frans van der Werf

Whose participation: whose decision and whose action?



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Phases



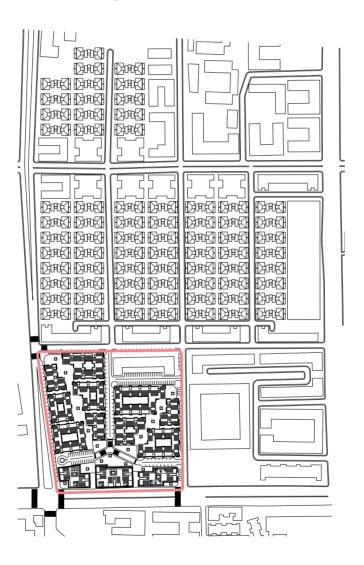
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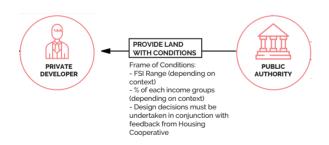


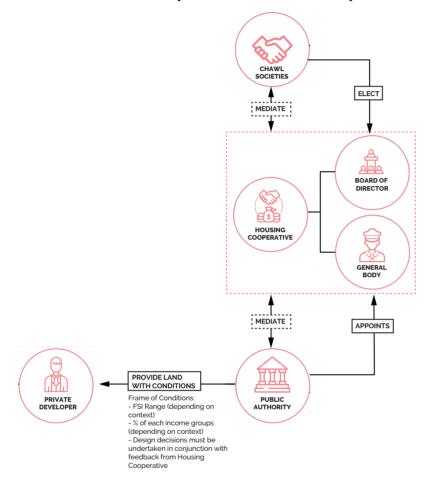
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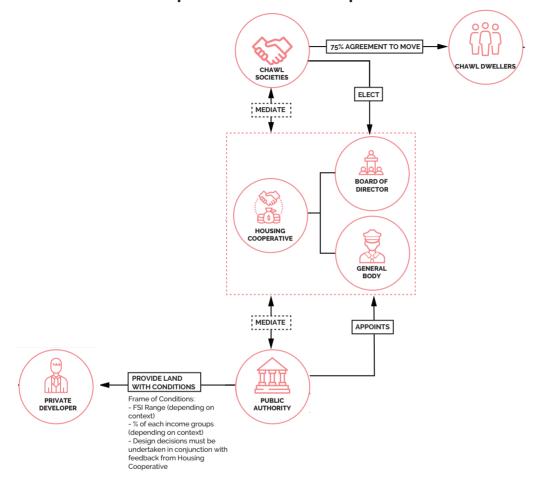
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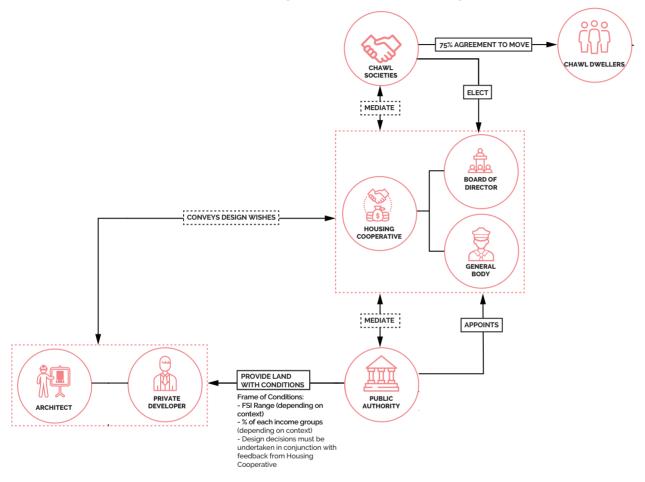




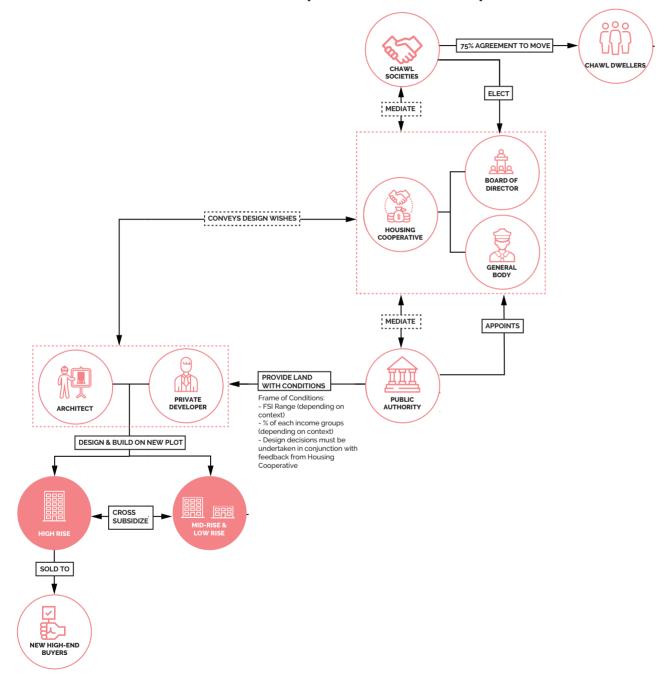
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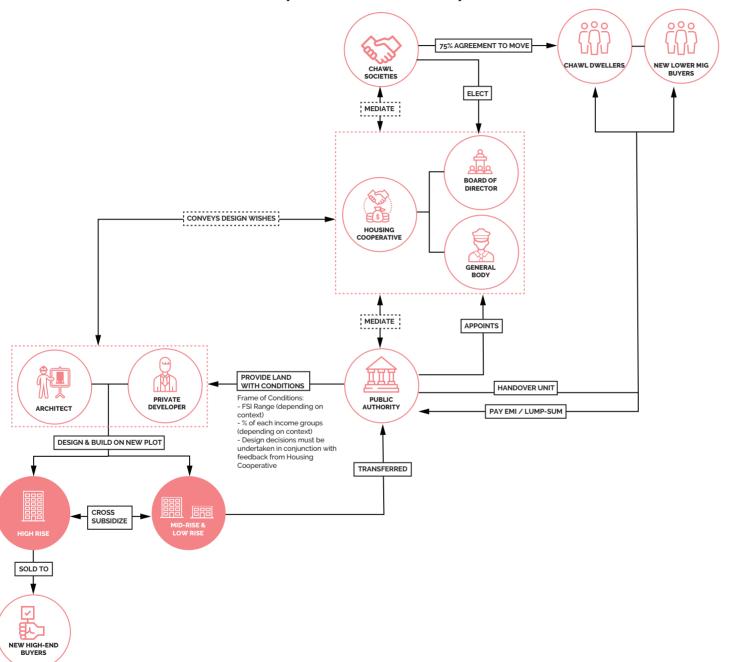


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Financing

	Market Price	Public-Private Partnership Cross-subsidized Model		
Land Price	Rs 2,000/ sqft	Nominal rent to Government: Rs 550/sqft		
Construction Cost	Rs 20,00 / sqft	Rs 20,00 ∕ sqft		
Total Cost	Rs 4000 / sqft	Rs 2550 / sqft		
Sale price	Sri Prastha Market Price: Rs 5,600/ sqft	35% Upper MIG Rs 6000/ sqft 35% Lower MIG Rs 4400/ sqft 30% LIG Rs 100/ sqft Average: 3670/ sqft		
Profit Margin by developer	40%	43.9%		



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In-situ Replacement of Existing Housing

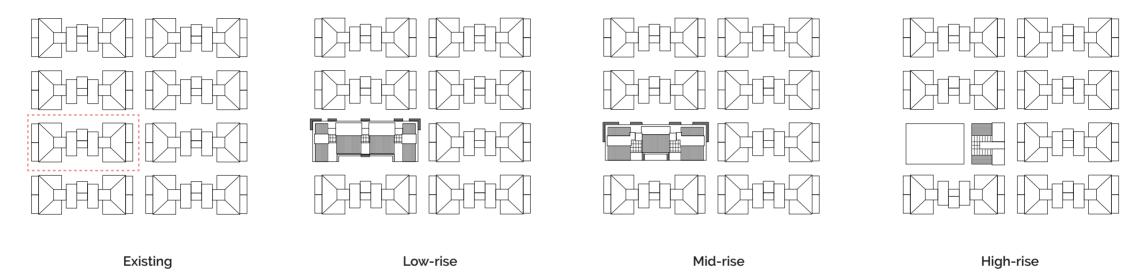




Phase 2: Redevelopment of existing Sriprastha

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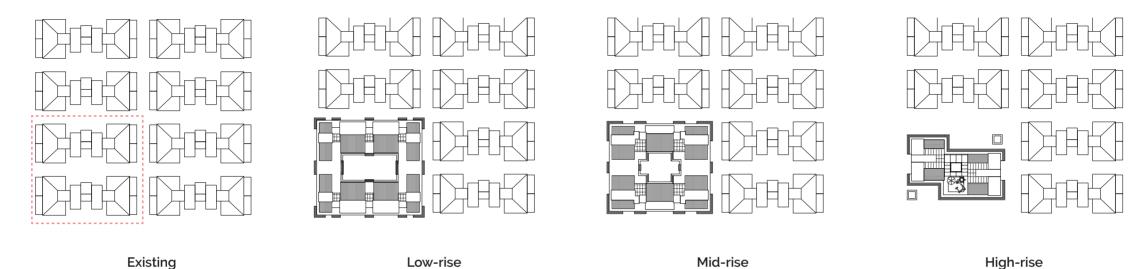
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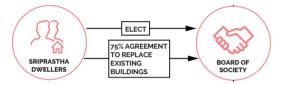
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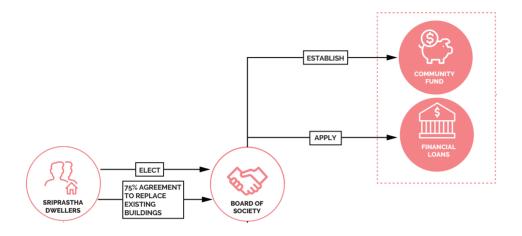


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- Defines street edge
- Courtyard within society, strengthens internal relationship within cluster
- Strengthens hierarchy of in between spaces
- Ensures enough distances between buildings

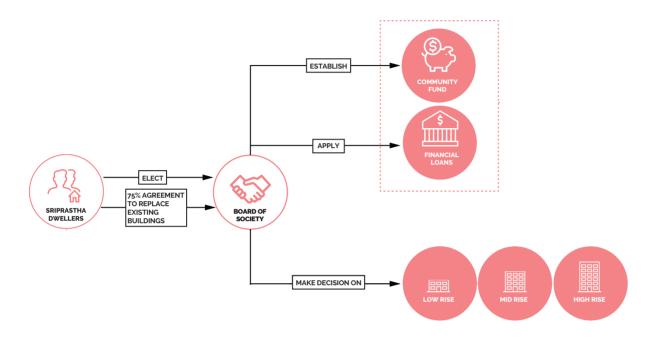
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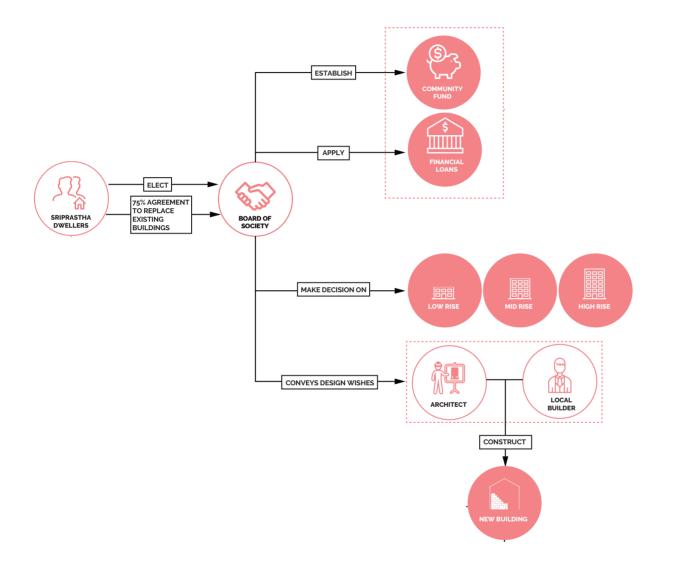
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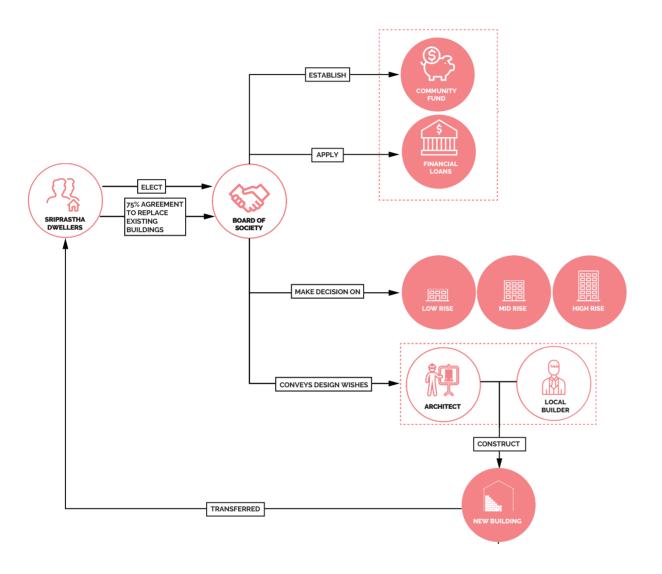
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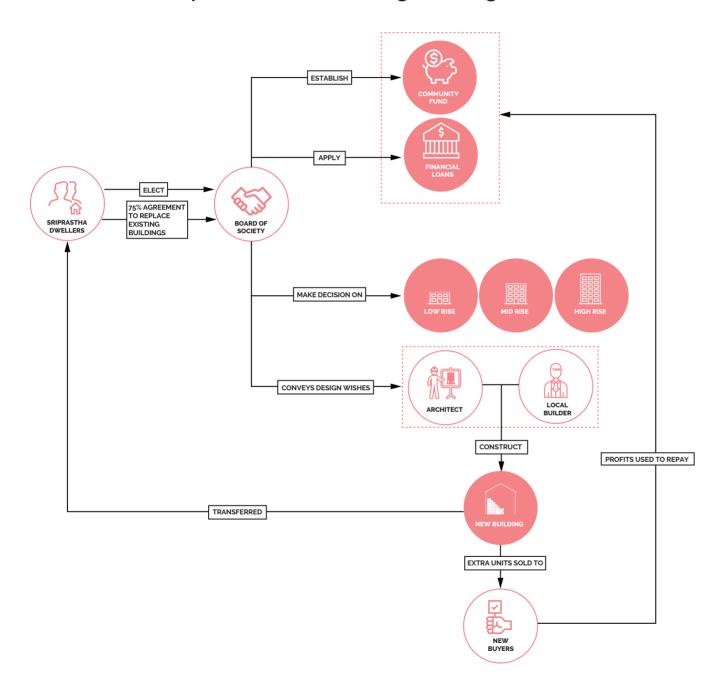
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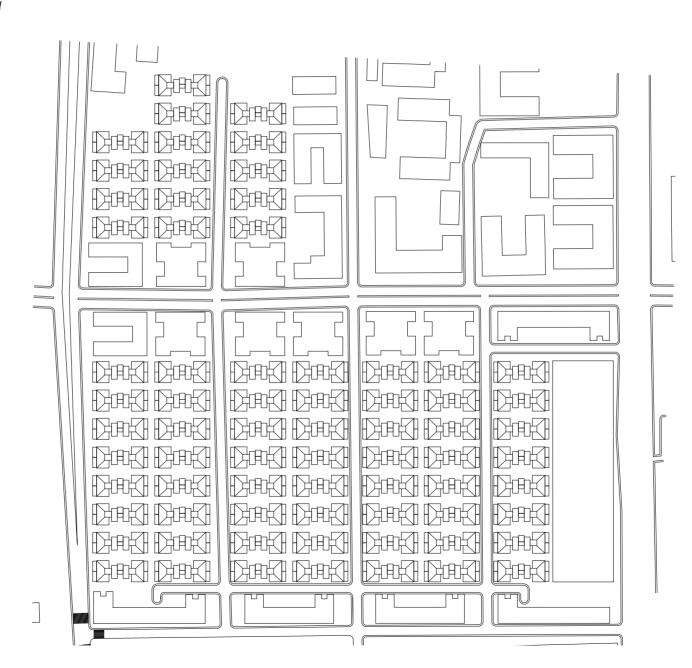
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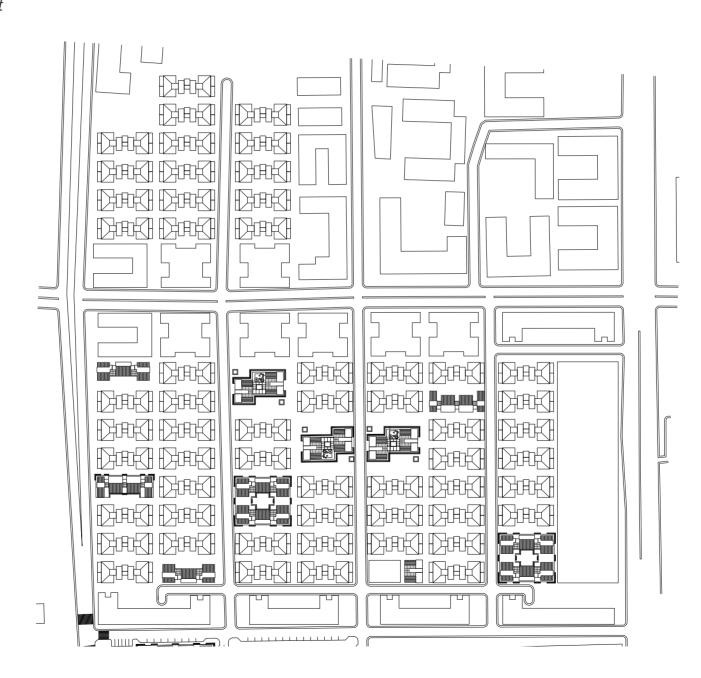
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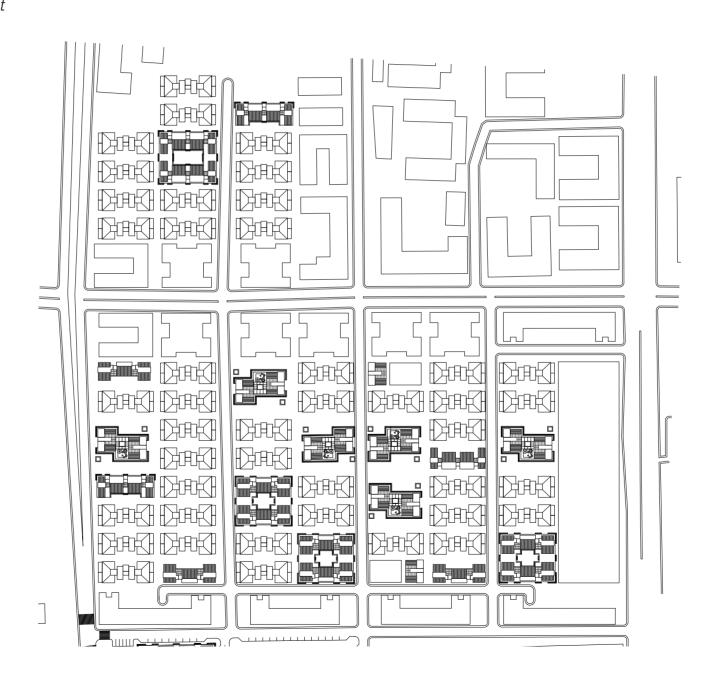
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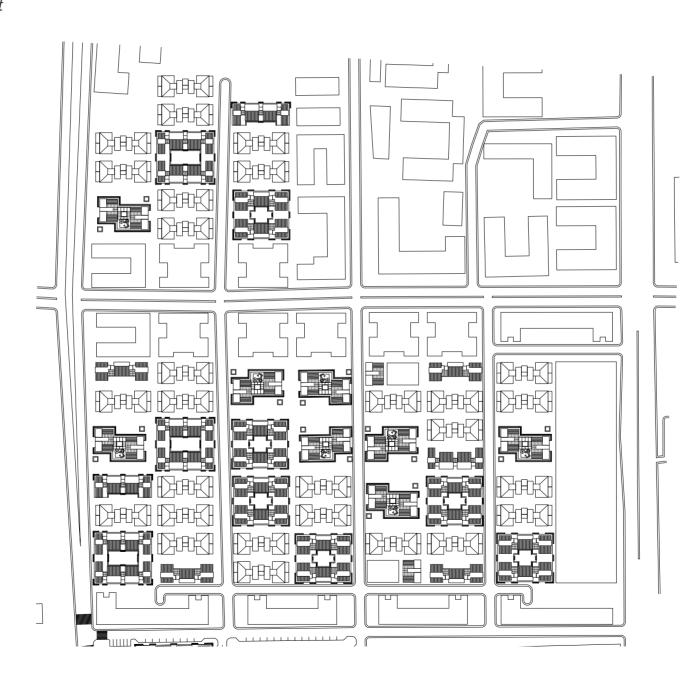
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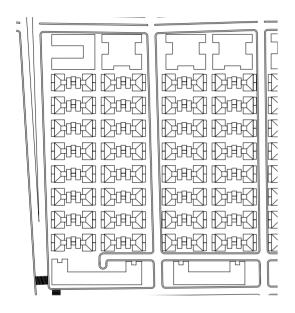
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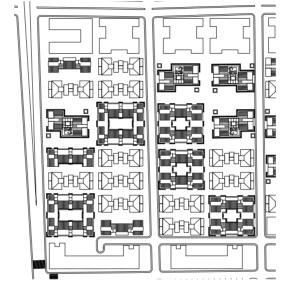
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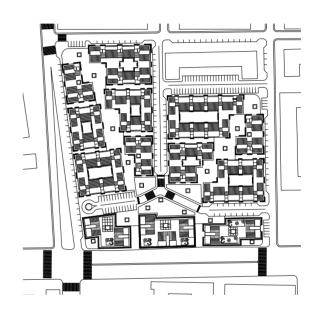
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Redeveloped Sri Prastha



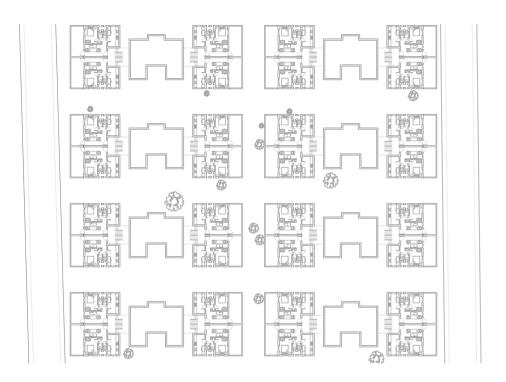
New Plot

Units per hectare: 180

Units per hectare: if 10% choose to redevelop: 196 if 30% choose to redevelop: 214 if 60% choose to redevelop: 258 if 90% choose to redevelop: 312 Units per hectare: 250-296

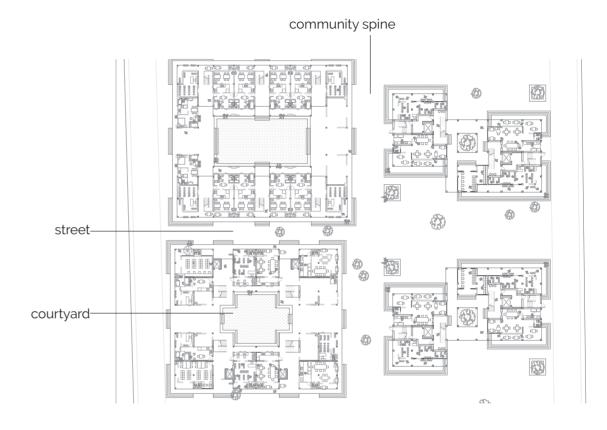
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Old and New Comparison: Spatial Qualities



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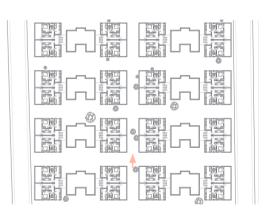
Homogeneous and meaningless open soaces



Potential Future

- Defines Street on the edge of the society
 - Defines courtyard within the society
- Activation of the corner, creates diverse in between spaces, converting leftover lane into community spine





Building Corner - Before





Building Corner - 1 Society Replaced





Building Corner - 2 Societies Replaced





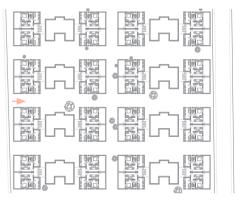
Building Corner - 3 Societies Replaced





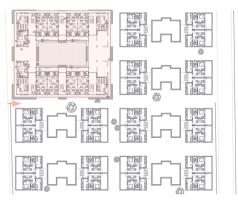
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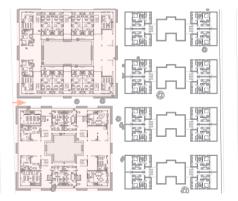
Between societies - Existing





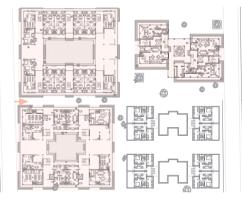
Between existing Sriprastha buildings and new Societies





Between new Societies





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Society Courtyard - Existing



Society Courtyard - Low rise



Society Courtyard - Mid-rise



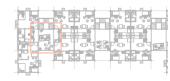
Society 1F Podium - High-rise



Ground Floor Public Void Deck - High-rise

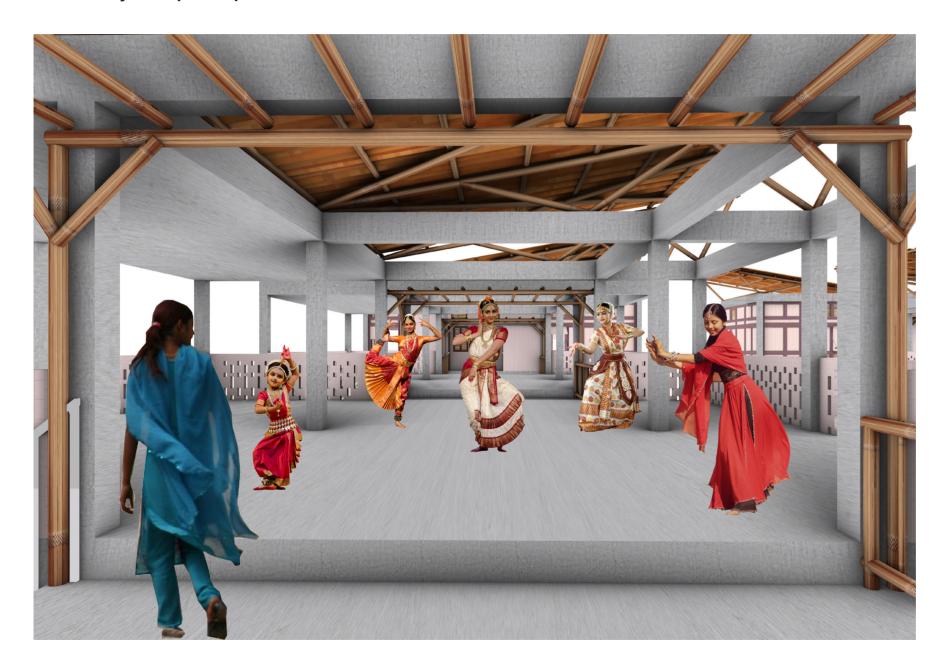
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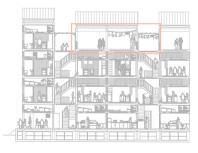




Shared terrace: 2-4 households

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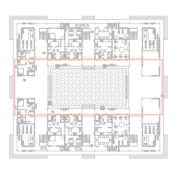


Rooftop terrace: 10-20 households

2. Rooftop Terrace

Hierarchy of Open Spaces in New Plot





Shared courtyard: 40-80 households

Hierarchy of Open Spaces in New Plot



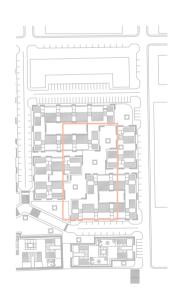


Square: approximately 200 households

4. Square

Hierarchy of Open Spaces in New Plot





Community spine: approximately 600 households

5. Community Spine

Hierarchy of Open Spaces in New Plot





Community spine: approximately 1800 households

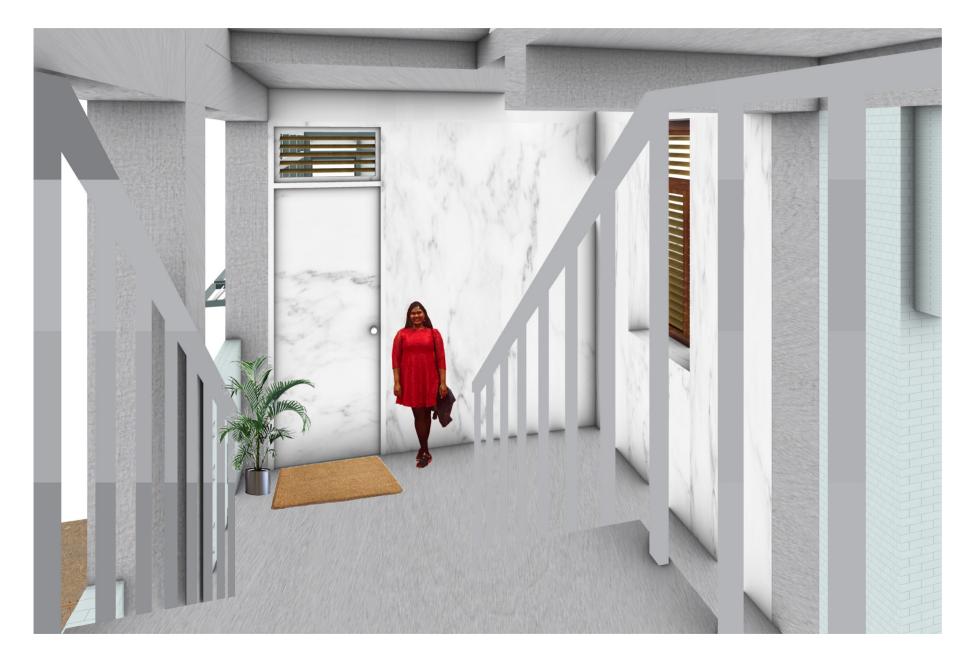
Threshold





Mid-riseThreshold space: 2 household

Threshold





High-rise threshold space: 1 household

High-rise Threshold Space

Amenities



Primary Amenities

Every high-rise society will be required to provide amenities on the Ground Floor. Therefore the primary amenities on the new plot will be concentrated in the urban center, while in the existing Sri Prastha it will be at societies that have chosen the high-rise typology.



Tertiary Amenities

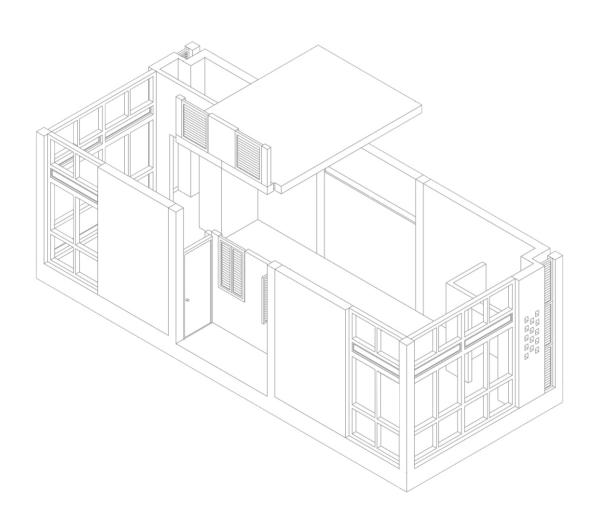
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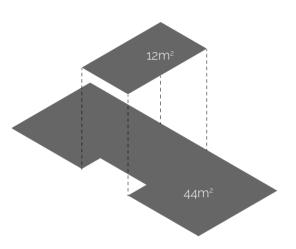


Secondary Amenities

The secondary amenities would occur in a more organic manner, i.e. within the work-live units of the low and mid rise typology.

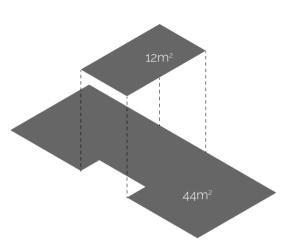




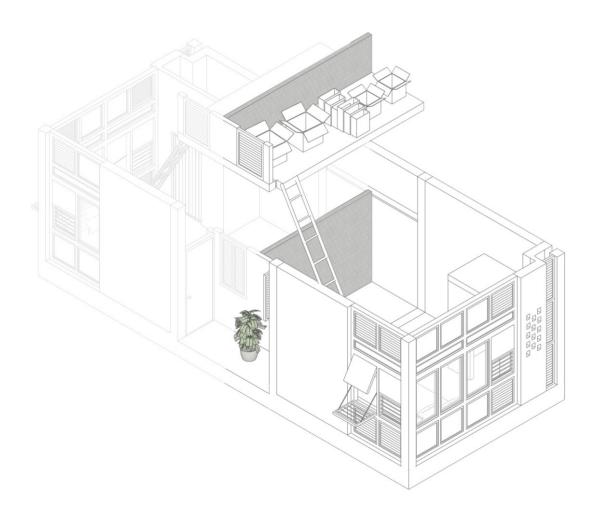


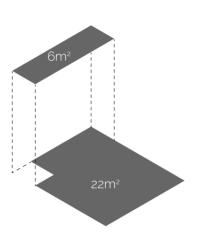
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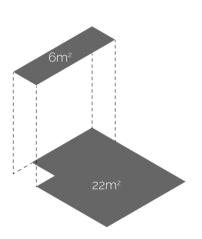




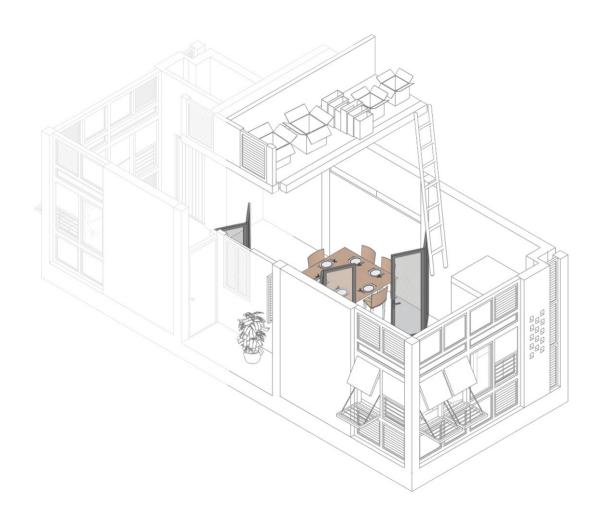


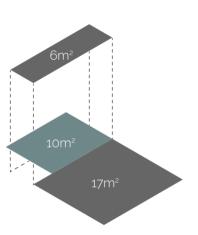


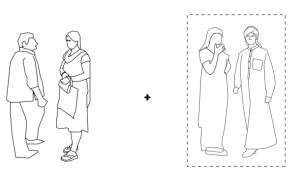


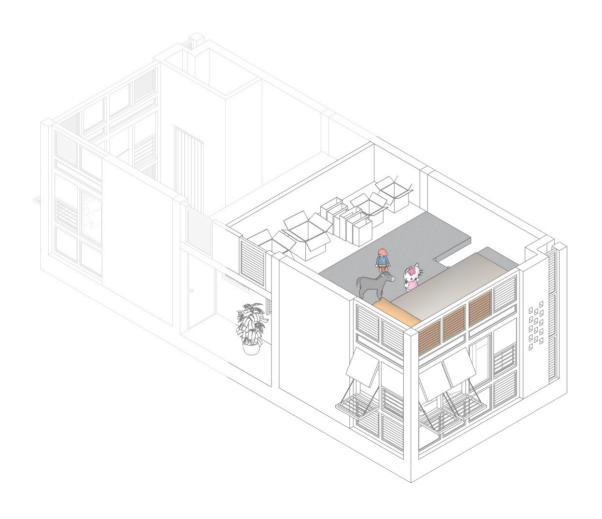


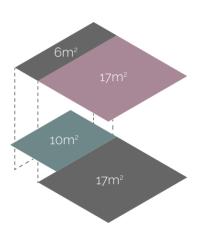


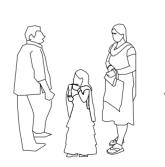




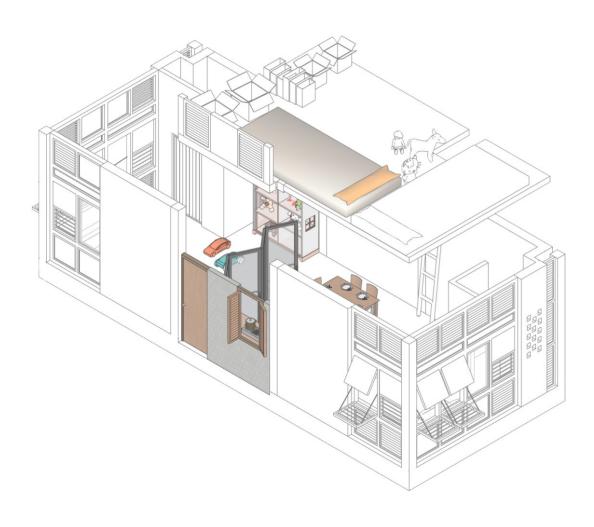


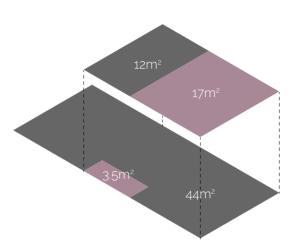






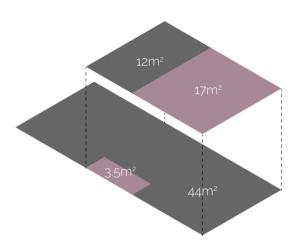


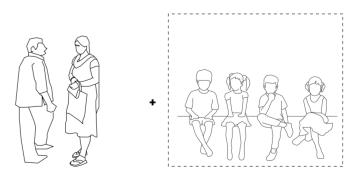












reflection

Model as a communication tool

Standardization → Diversification

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1. Similar appearance

- Same Pallette of Materials
- Same Facade Module and Components

2. Same Construction Method

- Locally available construction techniques and materials
- Same water management method

3. Similar Logic in Building Configuration

- All units are corner units
- Unit entrance are always ventilated

4. Similar Consideration for Activation of GF

- Raised floor and steps

Standardization The Diversification

- 1. Typological Mix based on aspirations
- 2. Flexible options for unit layout
- 3. Room for addition / alteration
- 4. Buildings that could be extended / shortened to respond to different site conditions

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