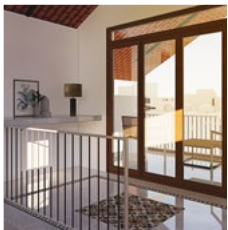
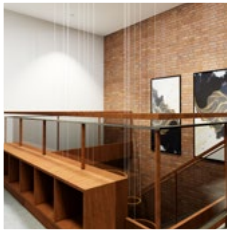
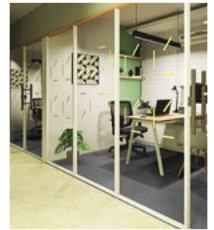
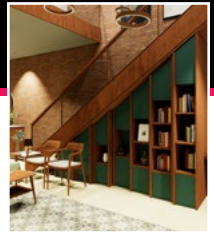
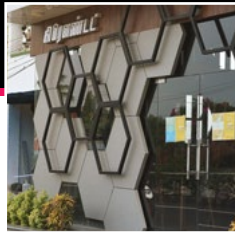


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NICHEKALA - A pragmatic flow.

Nishkala is a Sanskrit word which means an entity that flows and is not rigid. As the name suggests we associate ourselves most often with the art of creating spaces which are in sync with the environment and its surroundings with discrete use of elements.

Therefore, we believe we found our 'niche' in the art ('kala') of shaping spaces. We believe that Spaces shape us and have a deep impact on our lives. We at Nichekala focus on manifesting space that represents the user and crafting a habitat that promotes better living.

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WE'RE

We are a Young Design studio working in the field of architecture. We are here to cater to all your Architecture and Interior needs. We are a Multi-disciplinary team of architects with varied career backgrounds and thus engage ourselves in various aspects of design ranging from Architectural design, Interior design, Urban design and Heritage conservation.

SEARCH

Our design process involves experimenting with the design problem so as to come up with a unique as well as a contextual design solution. We as a firm collectively believe in the essence of collaboration while solving complex design problems. We are oriented towards the concept of efficiency in design and practical aesthetics. Our inclination towards climate responsive architecture and locally available materials result in developing spaces that are a collaboration between contemporary and traditional. At Nichekala we understand your needs and shape spaces that can be experienced.

ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN

EXPERIENCE

Creating built environments that provide an experiential quality to the spaces.

INTERIOR DESIGN

ENHANCING EXPERIENCE

Enhancing the quality of a space by thoughtful additions or subtractions to existing built spaces. Therefore improving the user friendly quotient.

URBAN DESIGN

PEOPLE

Creating equitable opportunity in Public realm through Design interventions.

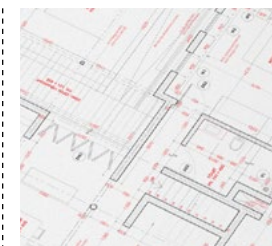
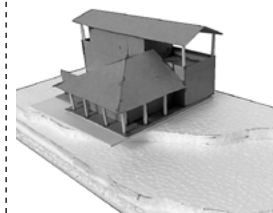
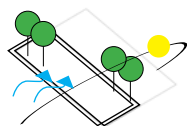
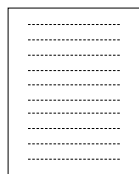
HERITAGE + CONSERVATION

MEMORY

Preserving the integral part of memory.

DESIGN JOURNEY

We at **NICHEKALA** have devised a design process right from inception until the completion of the project



01 Let's talk.

A very essential process where we define the possible program schemes with the clients. Understand the current lifestyle of the clients. Forsee or identify any specific needs from the client.

Detailed study of the site conditions along with the client.

PROGRAM

02 Offspring.

Program extracted and given a new lease of life. A problem statement is finalised and a conceptual plan is developed.

Conceptual ideas and sketches are discussed

CONCEPT

03 Experience

Experiencing the project further with the development of 3D renderings and other supportive design deliverables.

Drawings with basic dimensions are developed along with initial 3D views of the project. Physical models are made to study the scale of the project.

PRELIMINARY DRAWINGS

04 Pen to paper.

We develop the technical aspects of the approved design that was developed in our previous collaborative process.

Along with the finalised 3D views, Working drawings are developed to be set out to the contractors on site.

WORKING DRAWINGS

05 Navigate.

Overlook/ Guide the evolution on site with our "On - site Collaborators".

Periodical site visits are done by our team to ensure a smooth process during execution.

SUPERVISION

01.

20 x 60.

ARCHITECTURE

Typology - Individual Residence

Status - Proposal

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02.

Panorama Box.

ARCHITECTURE

Typology - Individual Residence

Status - Ongoing

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03.

Coffee & Conversations

ARCHITECTURE + INTERIOR

Typology - Cafe

Status - Completed

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Arjavam

ARCHITECTURE + INTERIOR

Typology - Individual Residence

Status - Ongoing

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INTERIOR

Typology - Residential

Status - Completed

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01
20 x 60'

Residential - Proposal

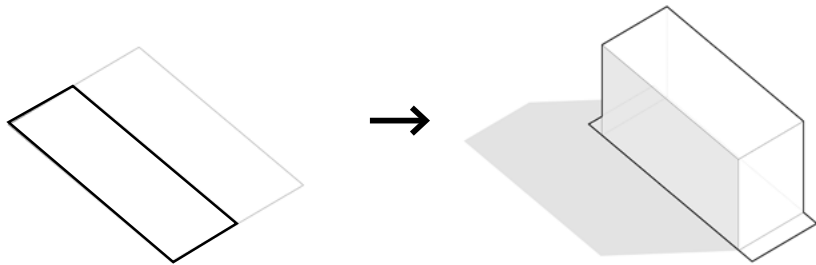
Architecture

2021

The brief came forward with a requirement for a compact house in a narrow 20x 60' feet plot size in a dense neighbourhood. The challenge the site dealt with was the lack of sunlight and ventilation owing to the narrow plot. A Mini courtyard was created which catered in providing additional light and ventilation apart from the ventilation of that from the East and West directions.

20 x 60'

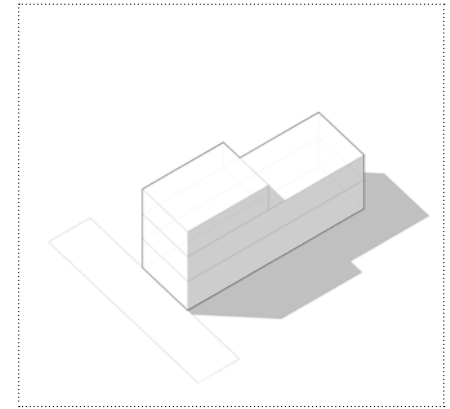
POCKET PLOT



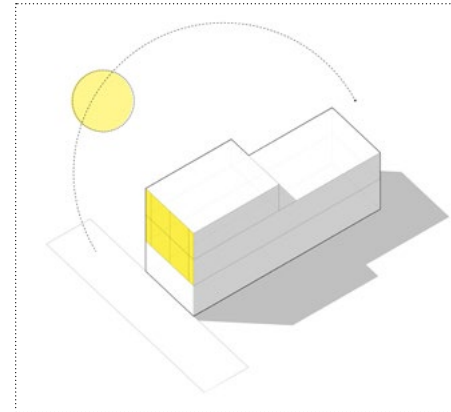
“Space is a reflection of one's needs. The term luxury therefore cannot be measured in quantity but only in quality”



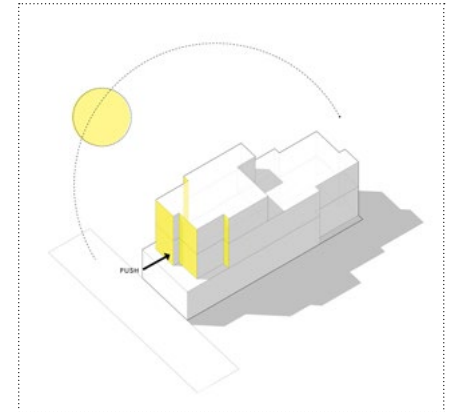
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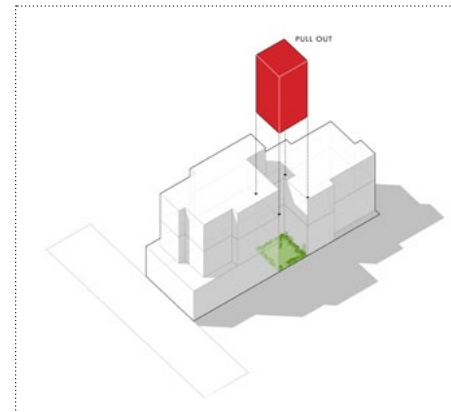
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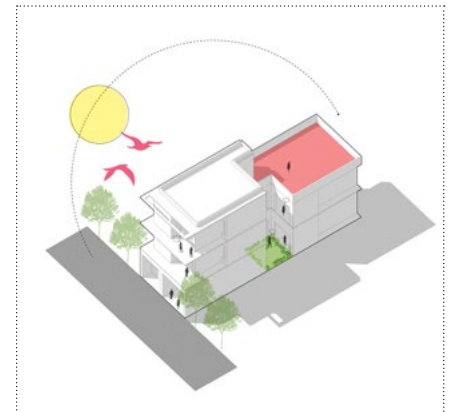
3. NATURAL LIGHT



4. FACADE PLANES



5. COURTYARD

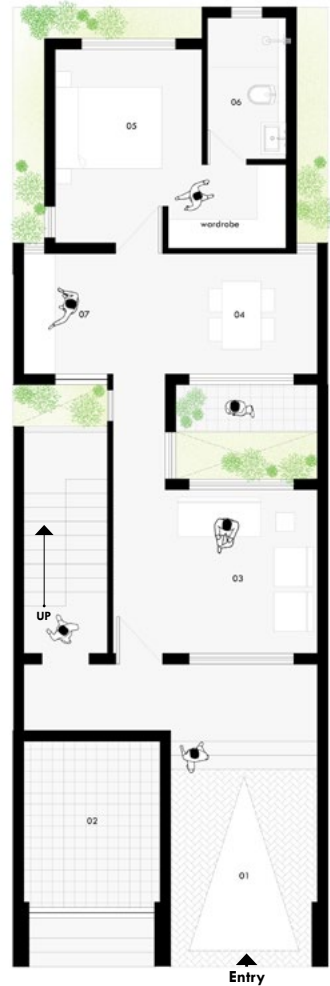


6. LIFE

Planning

IDEA

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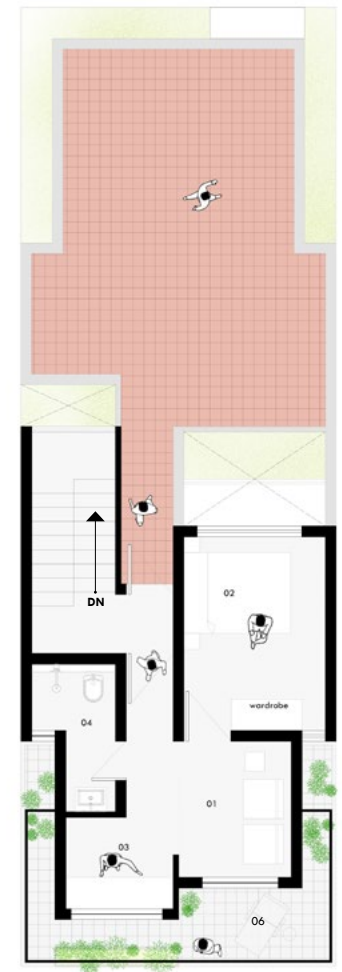
Ground Floor Plan

1. Car Parking
2. Commercial - 10x10'
3. Living room - 13 x 11'
4. Dining - 10 x 8'
5. Bedroom - 10 x 12'
6. Toilet - 5 x 9'
7. Kitchen - 6 x 8'



First Floor Plan

1. Living room - 13 x 12'
2. Dining - 7 x 9'
3. Kitchen - 7 x 11'
4. Bedroom - 11 x 9'
5. Toilet - 5 x 8'
6. Master Bedroom - 10 x 12'
7. Toilet - 5 x 9'
8. Foyer
9. Sit out



Second Floor Plan

1. Living room - 10 x 9'
2. Bedroom - 10 x 12'
3. Kitchen - 7 x 6'
4. Toilet
5. Terrace
6. Sit out



The facade was treated with a contemporary outlook.

02

PANOROMA BOX

Residential - Ongoing

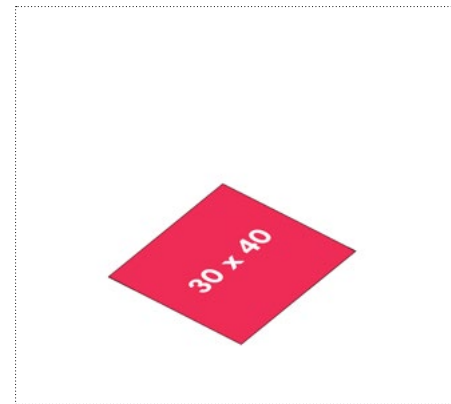
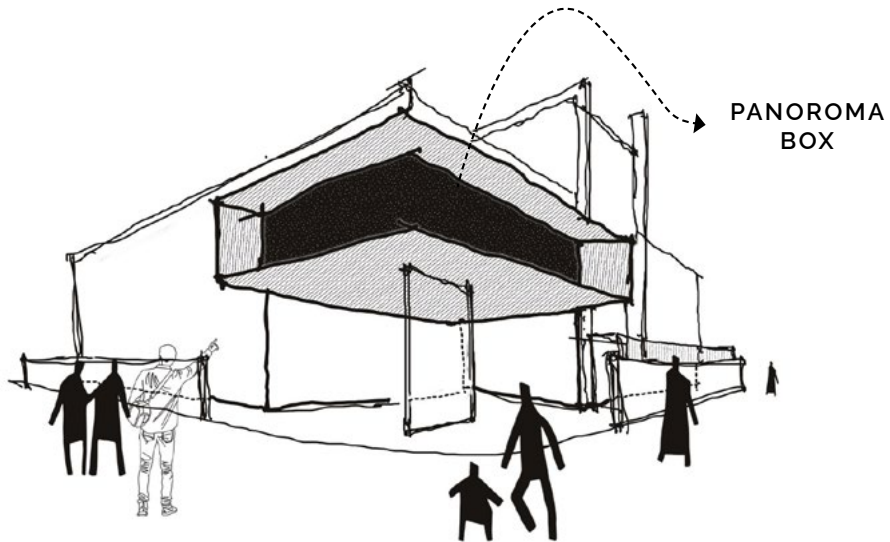
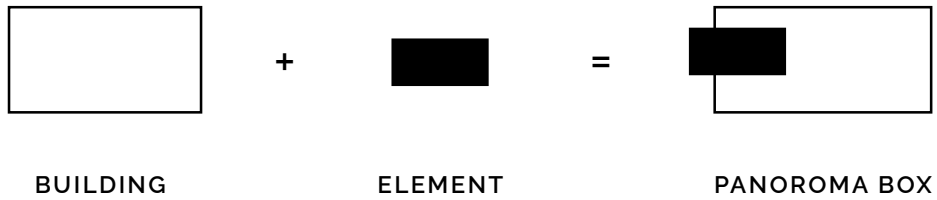
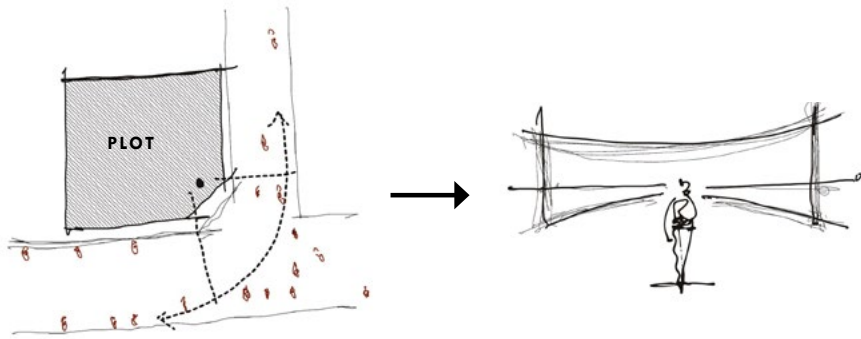
Architecture + Interiors

2021

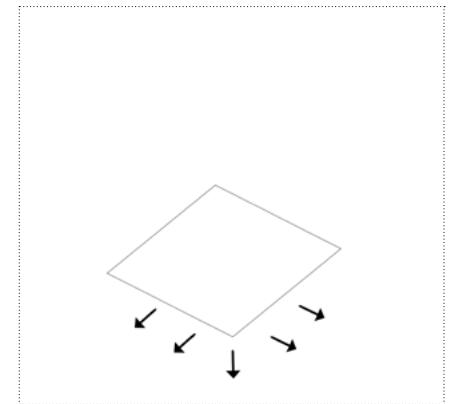
The site is a corner plot of 1200 square feet located in a developing dense neighborhood. The project started with the client's desire to have a dark themed room with a wide open balcony. Keeping these two prerequisites in focus the design process led to the inception of 'Panorama Box'.

Concept

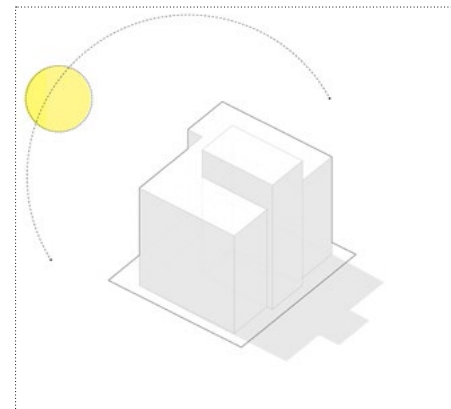
PROCESS



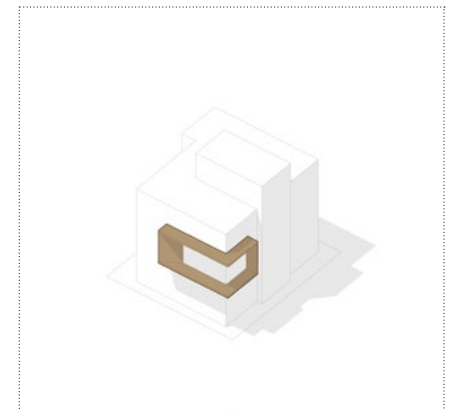
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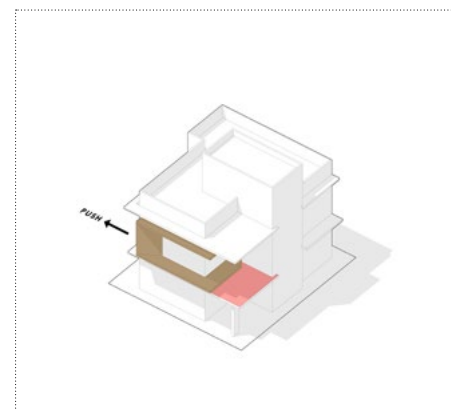
2. MAXIMISING VIEWS



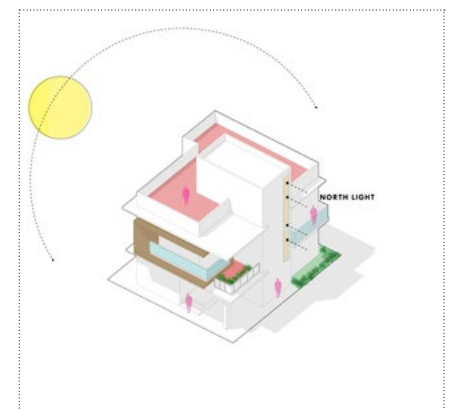
3. PROGRAM



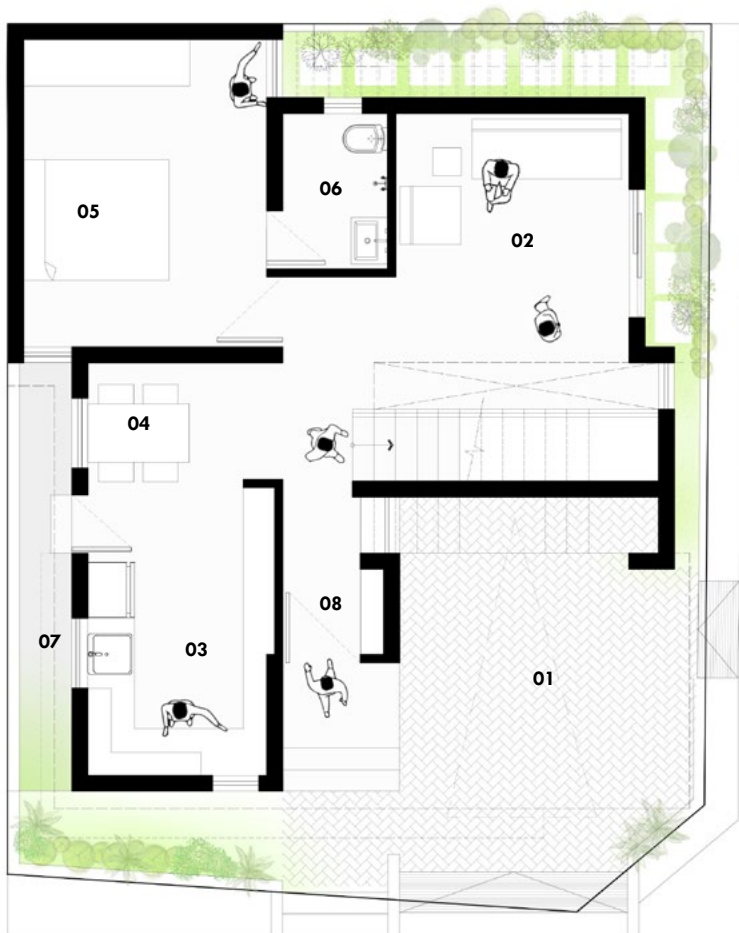
4. PANOROMA BOX



5. CREATING TERRACE GARDEN

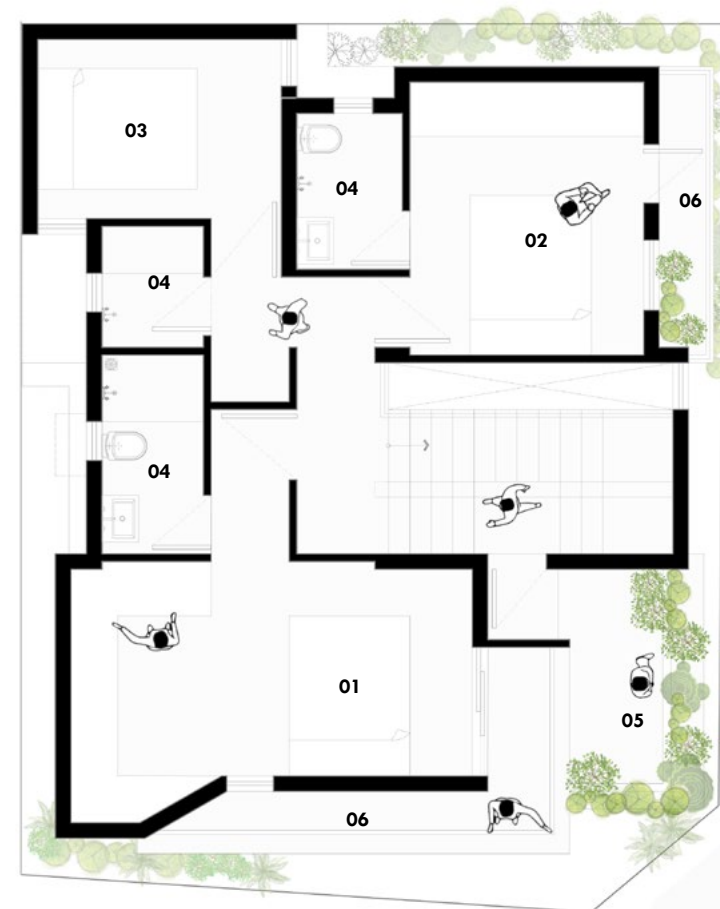


6. LIFE



Ground Floor Plan

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|-------------------|------------|
| 1. Car Parking | 6. Toilet |
| 2. Living Room | 7. Utility |
| 3. Kitchen | 8. Foyer |
| 4. Dining | |
| 5. Master Bedroom | |



First Floor Plan

- | | |
|-------------------|------------|
| 1. Bedroom 1 | 6. Balcony |
| 2. Bedroom 2 | |
| 3. Bedroom 3 | |
| 4. Toilet | |
| 5. Terrace Garden | |



Facade

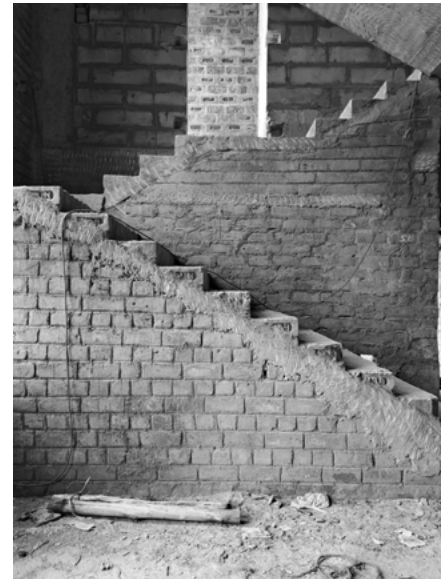
IDEA

The project's insight started with the client's desire to have a dark themed room with a wide open balcony, which then led to the inception "Panorama Box".





CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS



03

COFFEE & CONVERSATIONS

Cafe - Completed
Architecture + Interiors

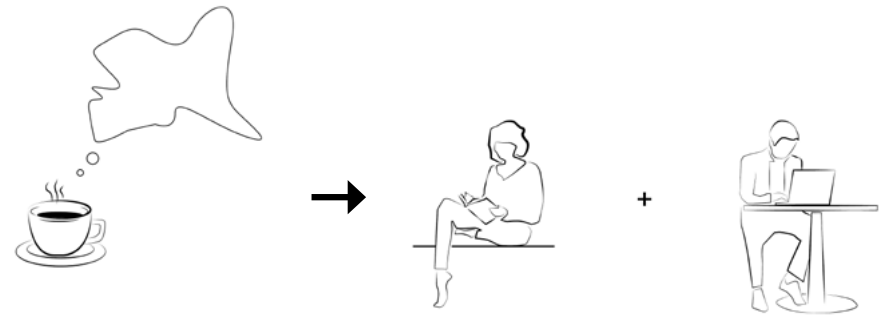
2021

The spatial quality of the space was designed keeping in mind the balance between the user's self content while using the space in isolation as well as providing spaces where different users can engage in conversation.



Cafe

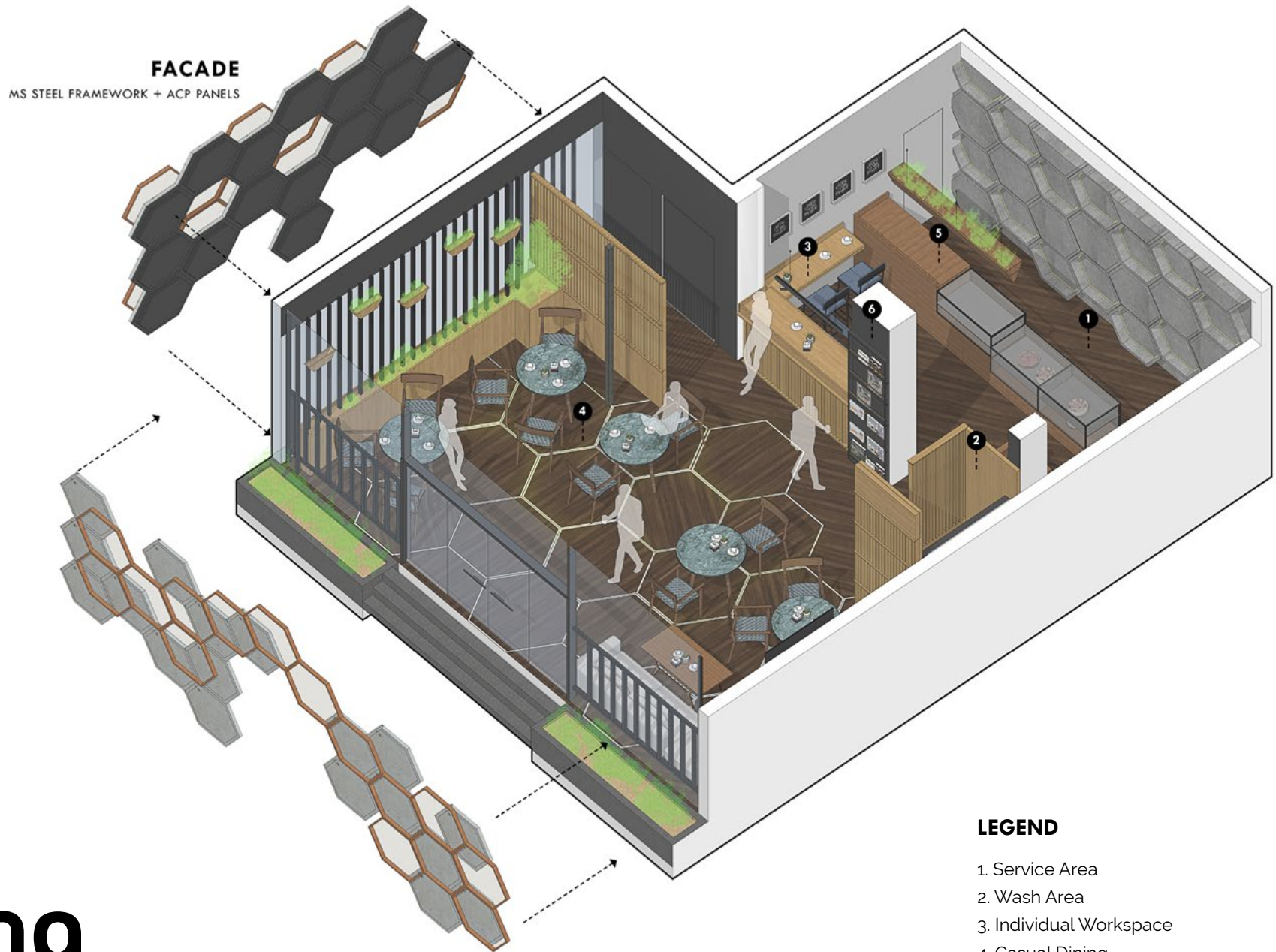
WORK + READ



“ A Cafe that brews Conversations”

Zoning

EXPLODED ISO



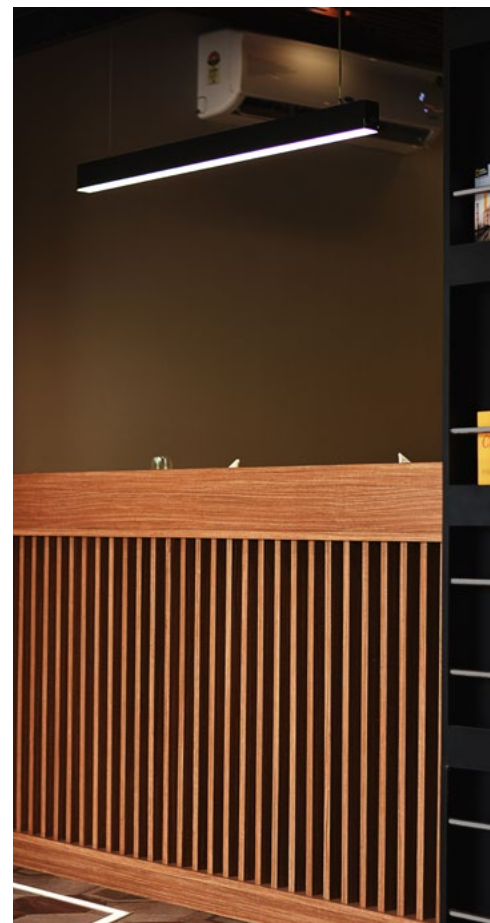
LEGEND

1. Service Area
2. Wash Area
3. Individual Workspace
4. Casual Dining
5. Coffee Counter
6. Book/Magazine Rack



The cafe is created with minimal interior elements and clean lines in-order to promote a visual declutter. These elements are placed strategically providing a neutral backdrop for the user activity.





04

ARJAVAM

Residential - Ongoing
Architecture + Interiors
2022

Arjavam as the name suggests means simplicity. The site is surrounded by dense vegetation which gives a sense of tranquility to the space. The residence is designed respecting the natural habitat of the site along with a minimal material palette. The structure complies with the principles of Vastu Shastra and Vernacular architecture. The spaces carved out are fluid in nature resulting in a dwelling that merges with the existing landscape.

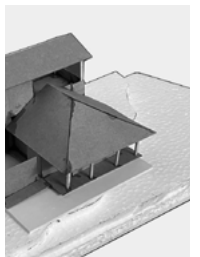
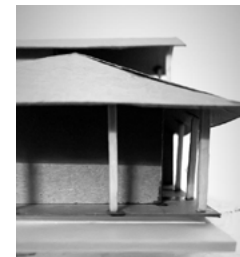
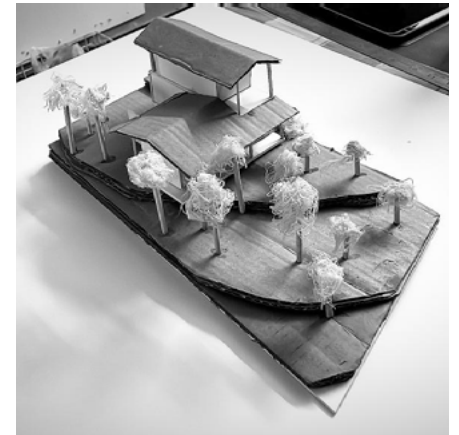
Iterations

PROCESS

Our Design Process involves making Physical models which help us to understand the scale of the built form with respect to the site context.



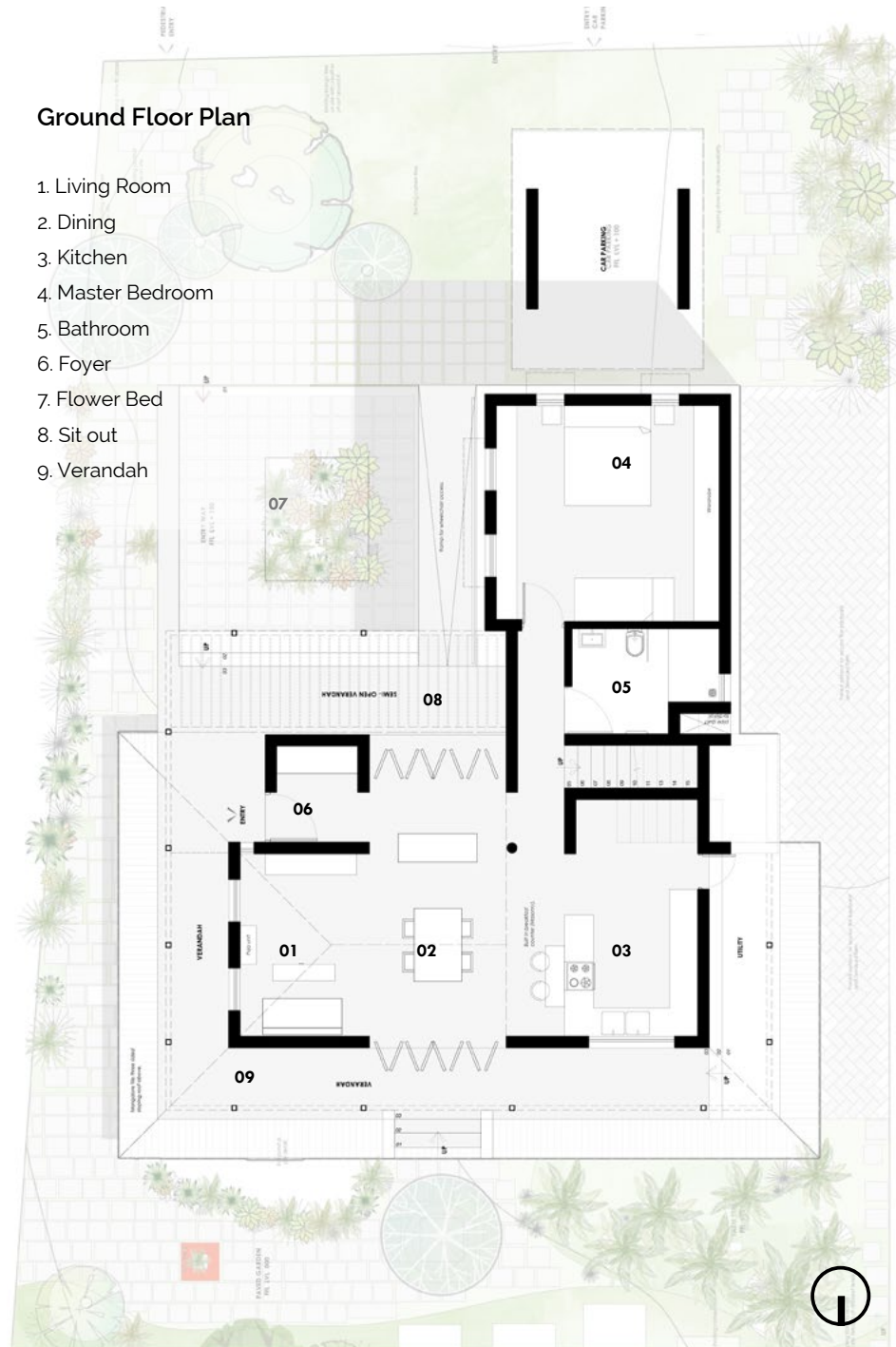
HOUSE IN THE WOODS



*"True to its meaning
Arjavam stands for a simple
abode amongst the woods"*

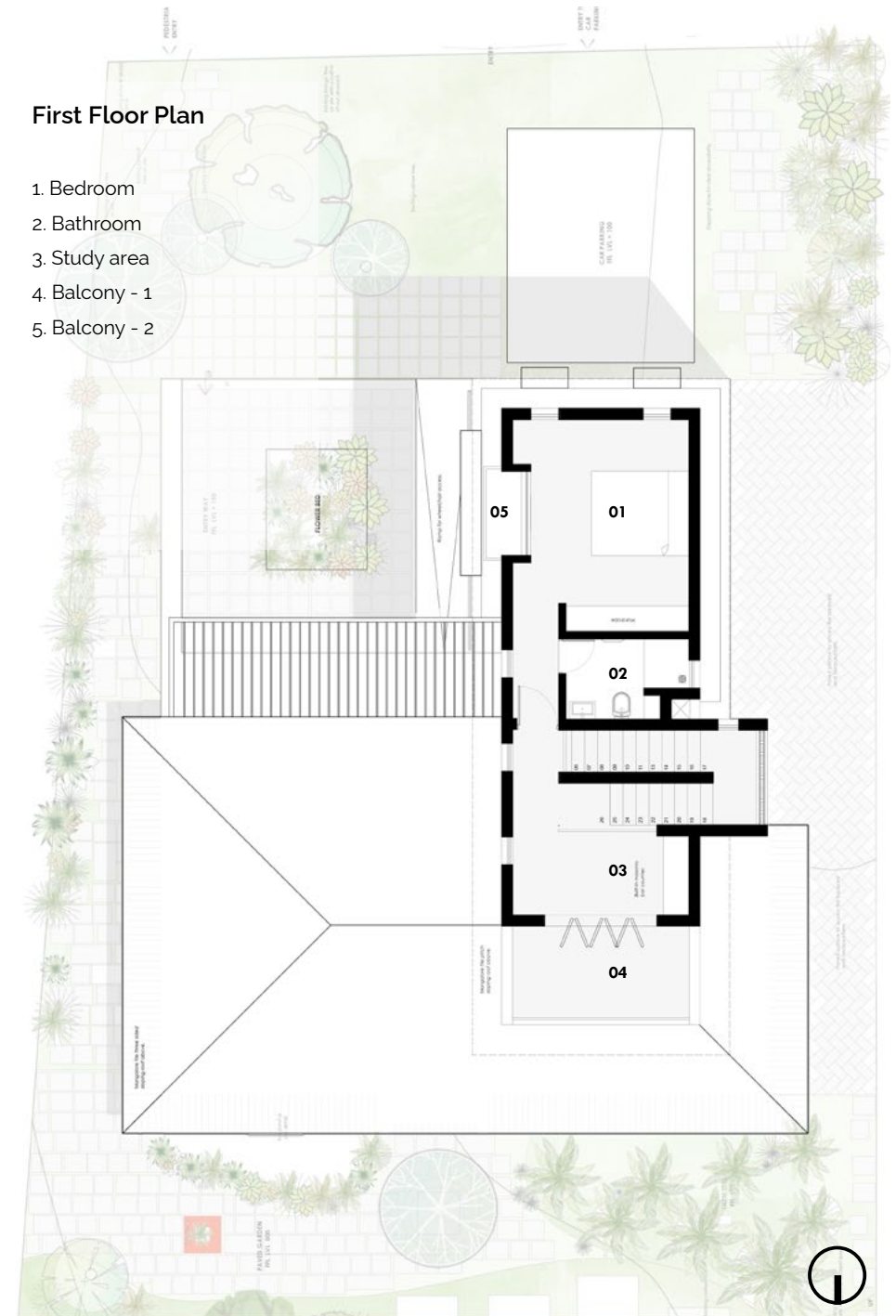
Ground Floor Plan

1. Living Room
2. Dining
3. Kitchen
4. Master Bedroom
5. Bathroom
6. Foyer
7. Flower Bed
8. Sit out
9. Verandah



First Floor Plan

1. Bedroom
2. Bathroom
3. Study area
4. Balcony - 1
5. Balcony - 2







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Residence -Completed

Interiors

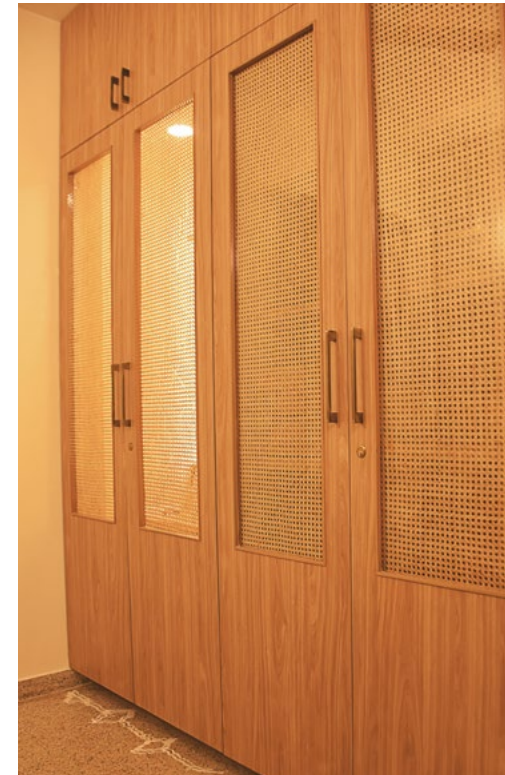
2021

A renovation project where we focussed on a complete revamp of the existing apartment which included design and supervision during the entire course of the project.

BEFORE

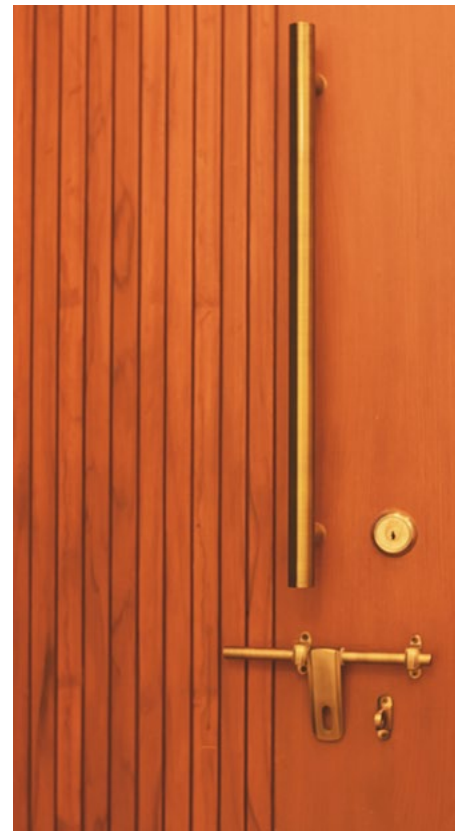
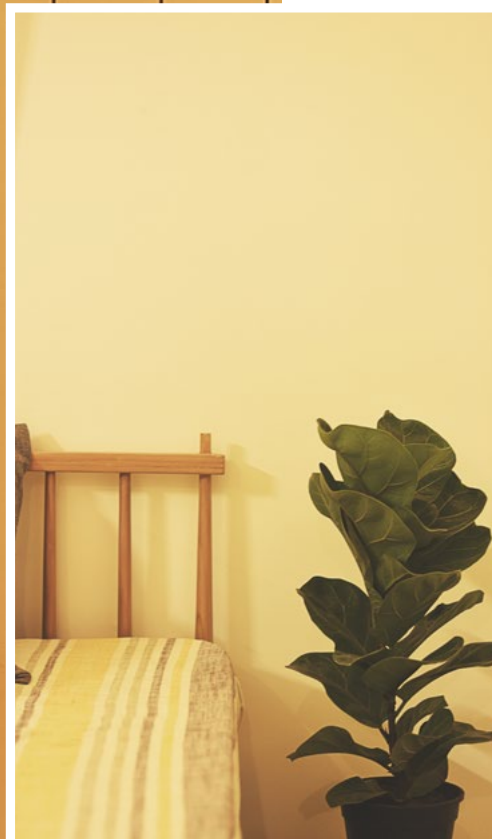


AFTER



Details

Our Design involves a conscious emphasis on the finer details.

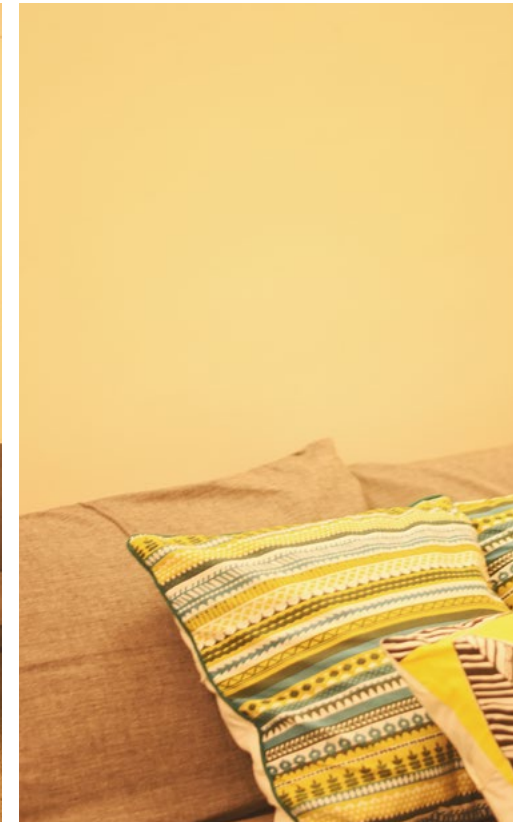




Textures

MATERIAL SELECTION

Material selection plays an important role in result of the end product. We help in the curation of varied components which include fixtures, furnitures, colours, textures, fabrics etc.





06

MISCELLANEOUS

Compilation of other works



Elevation design for Dr.Chandru
Typology - Hospital + Residence





SKEWED
Proposal Commercial Building



▲ Elevation design for
APP Builders

◀ Proposed Residence for
Mr.Hussain



Proposed interiors for Velammal Academy

Proposed office interiors for Fuel one.

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