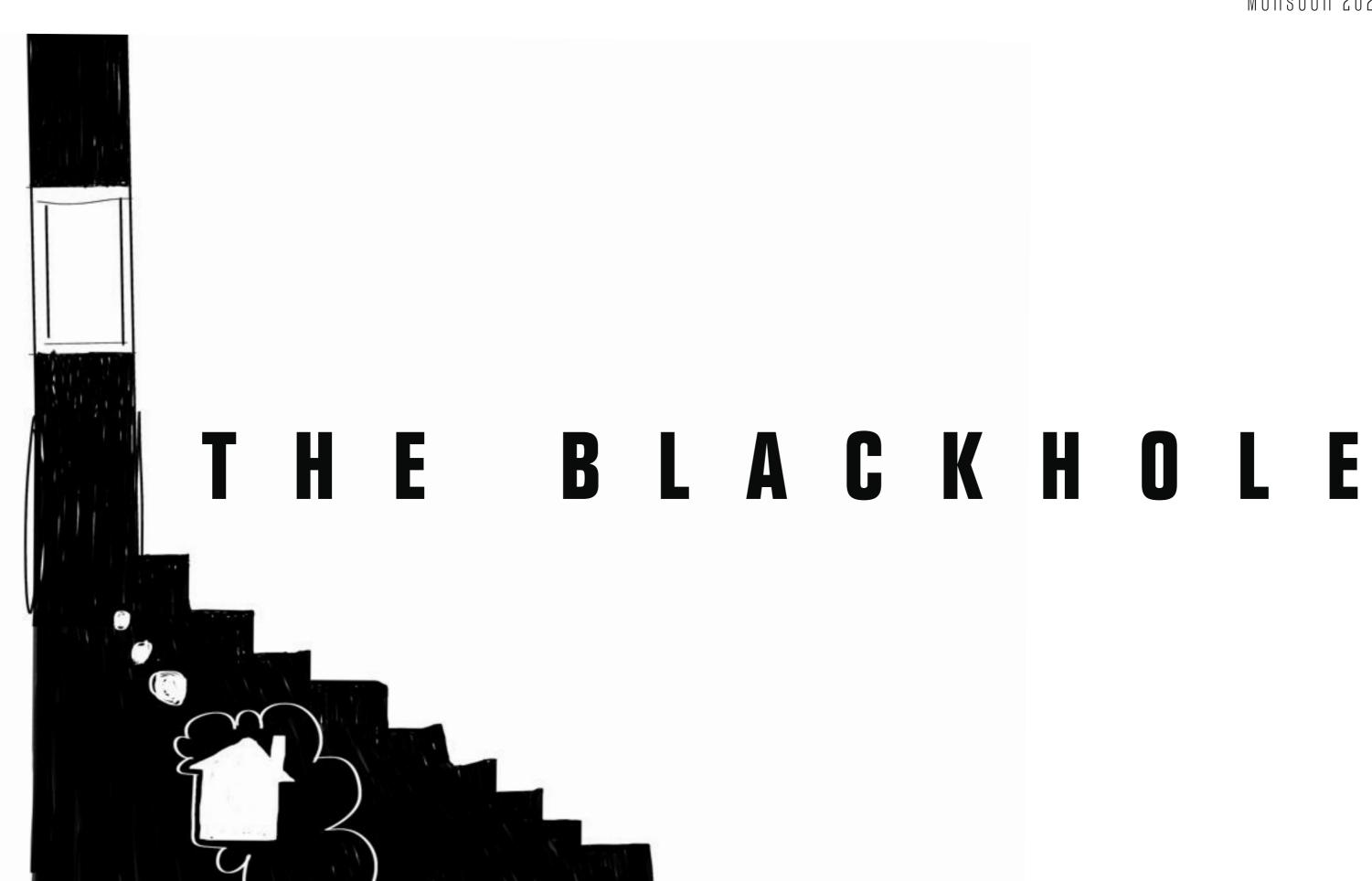
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INTERSTITIALITY IN HOUSING

A singular space cannot be interstitial throughout. Then it is the character or the intangible quality of interstitiality, that we should extract while observing and try to bring out while designing.

We have a fondness towards vernacular housing, and everything that comes with it: verandas, courtyards, chowks; and in order to retain that in urban mass housing, we tend to emulate the characteristics, the tangible aspects of it, like plinth height, or ratio of the length and breadth, or ornamentation, and while it is the character we really need to think about.

Just like eusapia, we don't know we've been searching for it our whole life, and once we get the Taste of it we end up craving it for life.

Random Locations

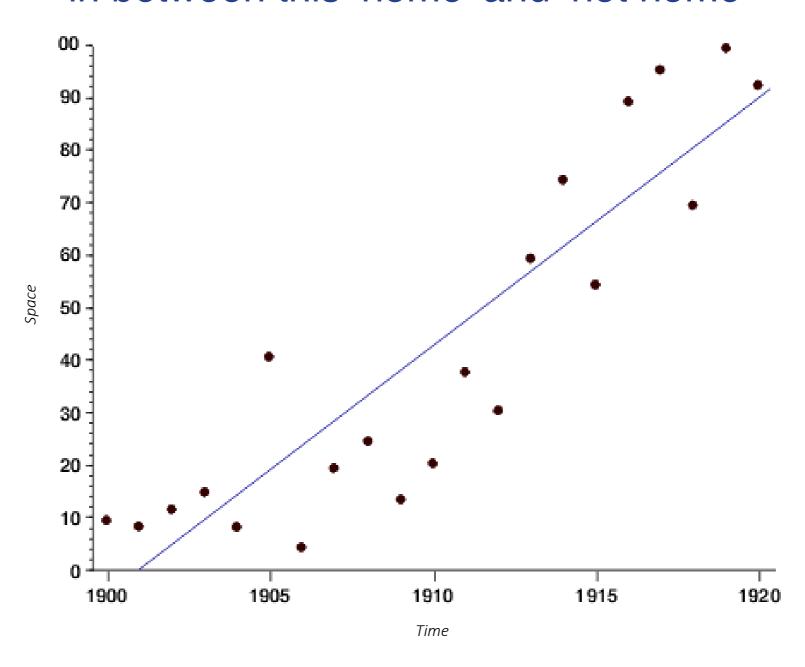
Separate Governments Languages **Communication through** Sept 18 At 171 Print 2019 And 172 Print 2019 And 17 **Telepathy** Cultures Ice that never melts Gray Color **Politeness** Chaos Restraint **Battle between Illusionists** "Unseeing" and

"Unhearing"



is your interstitial space always an interstitial space?

interstitial spaces at **different space-time intersections**, lie somewhere in between this 'home' and 'not home'



designated interstitial spaces









not home as 'home'

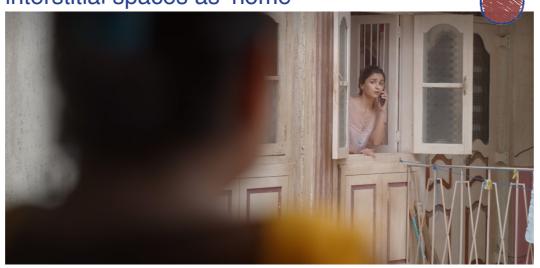








interstitial spaces as 'home'





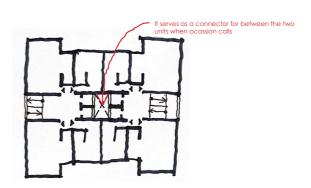
DEVIANT PLANS

MITIGATING LIFT AND LOBBY SITUATION

DEVIATIONS: LIFT AND STAIRCASE

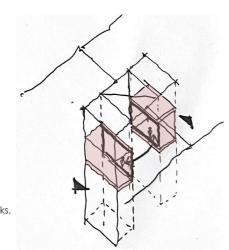
(In most Cluster Designs, the Lift and Staircase are found across each other)

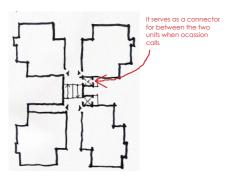
DEVIATION 1: ELEVATORS FACING EACH OTHER DEVIATION 2: ELEVATOR ANIMATING THE FACADE DEVIATION 3: ELEVATOR AS AN EXTENSION DEVIATION 4: LIFTS WITH A LANDING DEVIATION 5: PENTHOUSE-STYLE ACCES



ELEVATORS FACING EACH OTHER

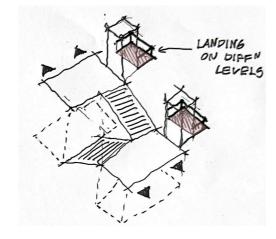
There is an interaction developed between people living in seperate blocks, who wouldn't know each other otherwise.





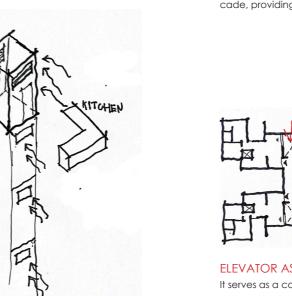
LIFTS WITH A LANDING

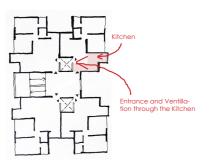
Lifts that can access alternative floors, and have a landing on one side to admire the



ELEVATOR ANIMATING THE FACADE

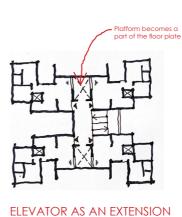
The lift shafts plug onto the block, so as to express themselves on the facade, providing view to the residents and to people viewing it from outside.

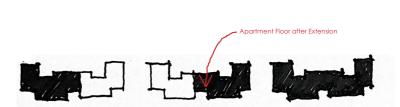




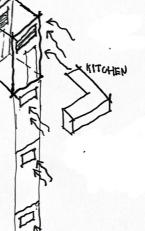
WHAT'S COOKING IN THE KITCHEN

Lifts that have a ventillation opening and connect to the kitchen of each apartment, to facilitate multiple connections through different floors by the sense of smell.





It serves as a connector for between the two units when ocassion calls



In urban housing projects, due to conventional circulation cores where most people tend to take the lift,



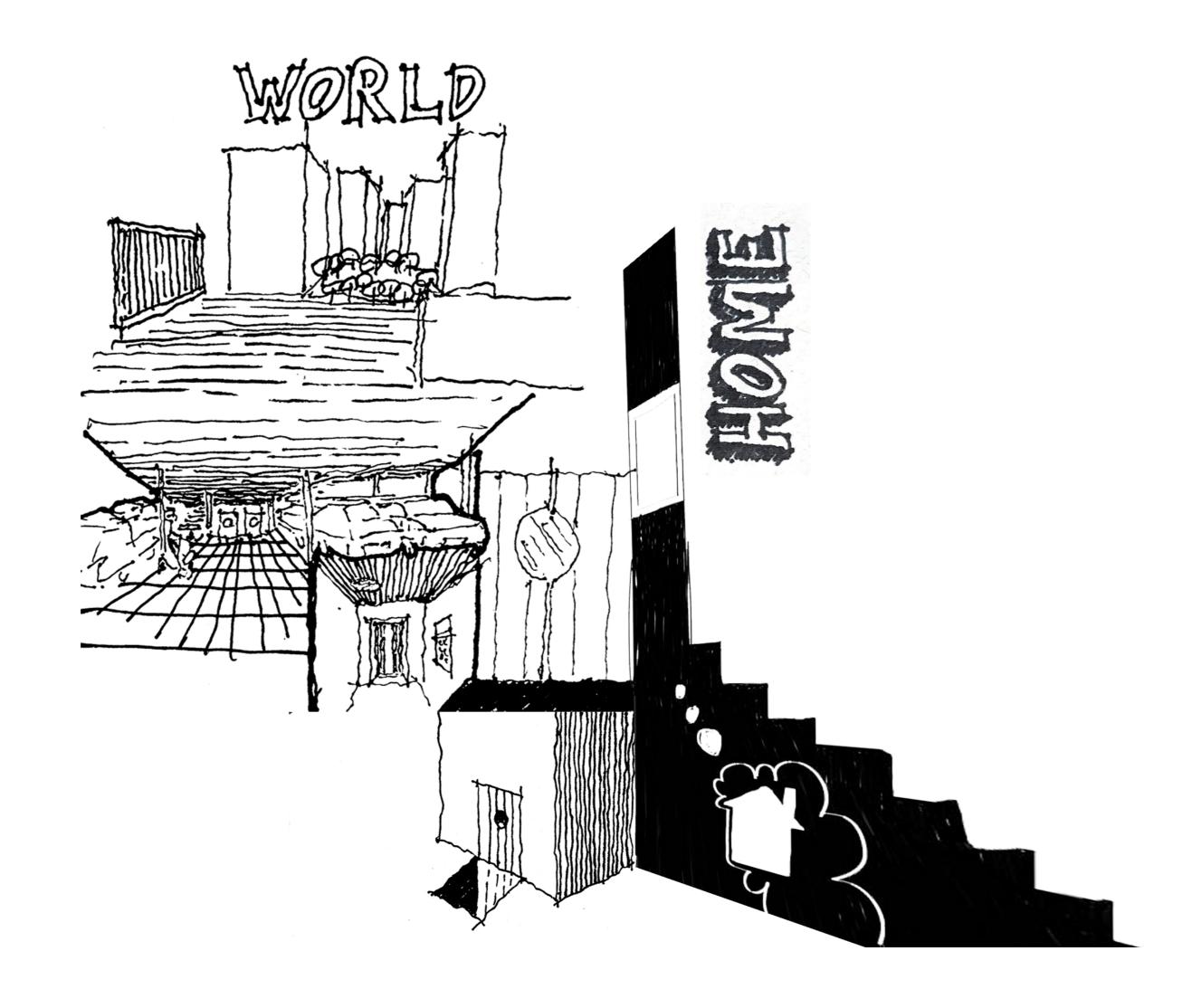
GOING FROM THE OUTSIDE WORLD TO YOUR HOME BECOMES LIKE TRAVELING THROUGH A BLACKHOLE...

INTENTION

It takes you from a universe called 'world' and throws you into an alter-universe called 'home'.



The project aims to make this transition smoother.



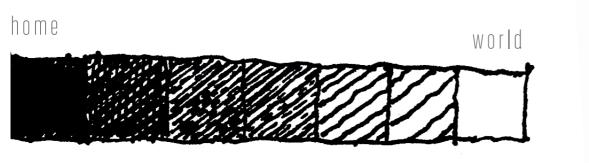


"EVERY DAY IS A JOURNEY, AND THAT JOURNEY IS COMING HOME."

MATSUO BASHŌ

CONCEPT

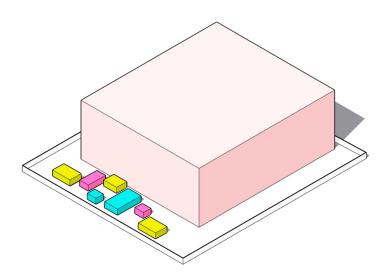
The concept is to make every Floor feel closer to the Ground; hence enocuraging the usage of staircase, even if for a few flights; hence making the transition from the outside world to home smoother.



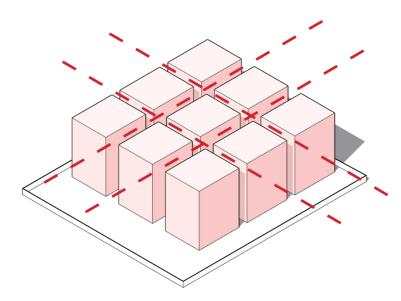


Smooth Gradient from Home to World.

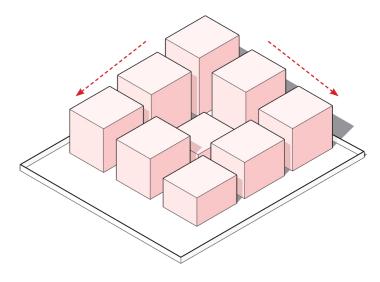




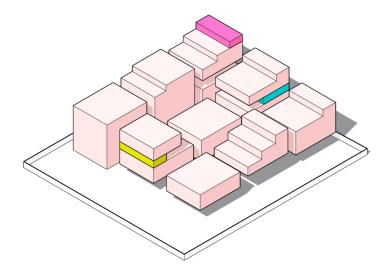
1 A Conventional Building Superblock with Amenities on the side.



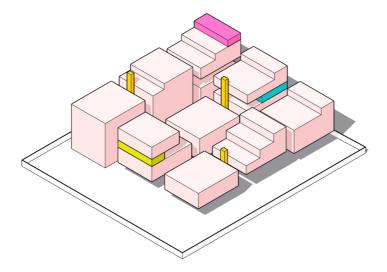
2 Dividing the Mass into Smaller Blocks for facilitating Circulation through the Mass to prohibit the Blackhole situation due to the Conventional Lift Lobby.



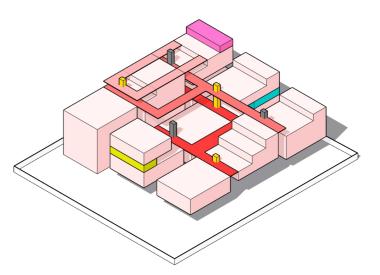
Height of the Block decreases towards the Entrance to Humanise the Scale of the Building, and make the Transition Smoother.



Placing the Amenities (typically situated on the Ground Floor) on the Intermediate Terraces to Activate them, hence making the Terrace Floors also feel like the Ground Floor.



Placing Express Lifts that Access every Fourth Floor at Strategic Locations to Activate the Intermadiate Terrace Floors.



Placing Circulation as 'Skywalks' to Connect these Circulation Cores on the Terraces to Encourage Usage of the Staircase instead of the Normal Lifts (placed for Regulatory and Accessibility Concerns)

NUMBERS

Plot Area: **10013 sq. mt.**

FSI Available: **27,035 sq. mt.**

FSI Used: **26,990 sq. mt.**

Built up Area: 32,000 sq. mt.

FSI Available: FSI Used 1:1

UNITS

No. of Floors: 6-12 (varying heights)

No. of units per floor: 9

Total Number of units: 190

Type of units: 1

TYPE-1 (3BHK)

RERA Carpet Area: 112 sq. mt.

Builtup Area: 138 sq. mt.

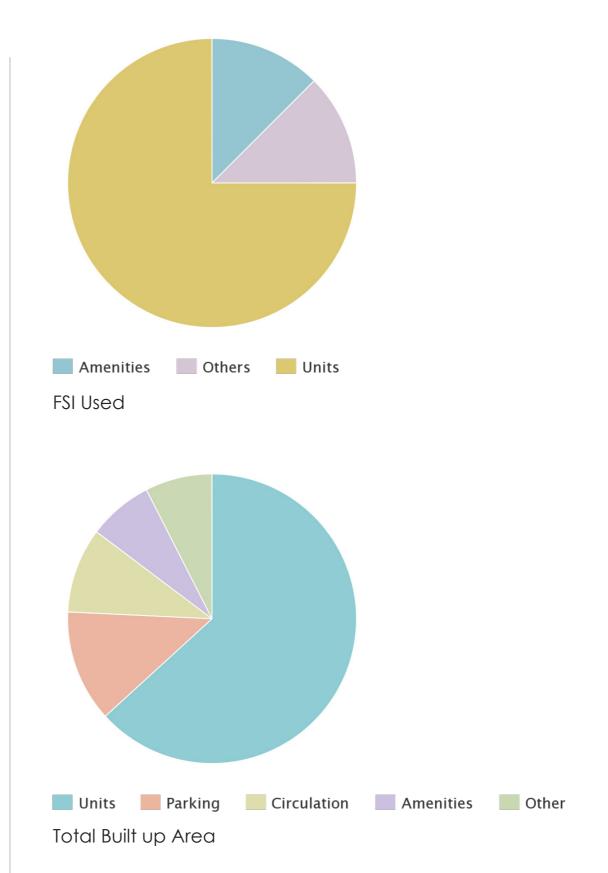
Cost of 1 Unit: Rs. 1,00,00,000

PARKING

No. of Basements: 2

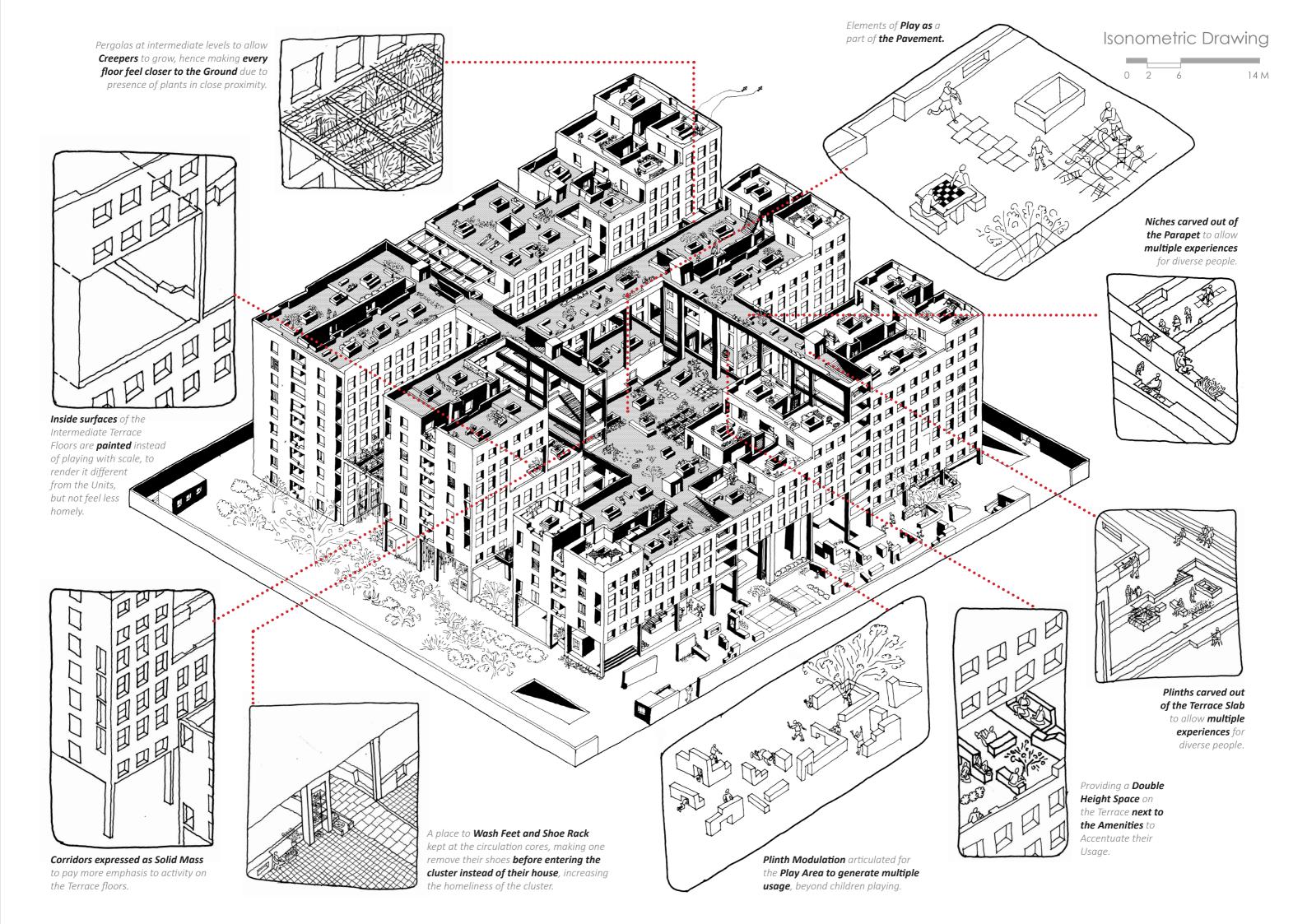
Total no. of Cars: 350

Cars: Units 1.8:1



REGULATIONS VIOLATED:

1. Margin between building and common plot is 3.6 meters, and not 6 meters.

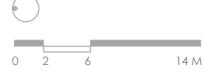


ENTRY EXIT 2

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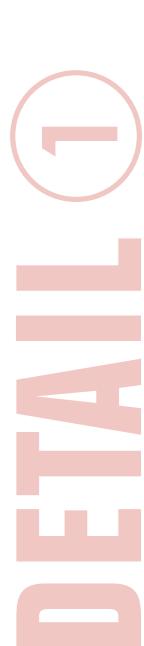
- 1. Underground Fire-Water Tank
- 2. Underground Tank

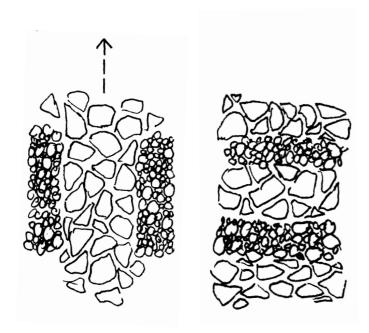
Basement Floor Plan



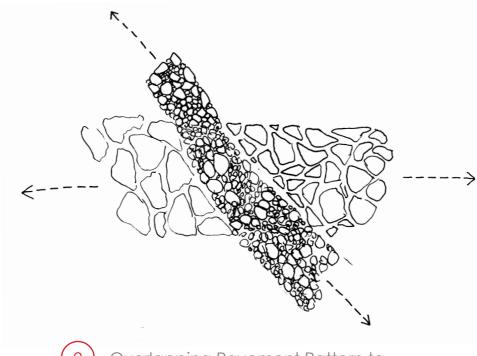
PAVEMENT AND FLOORING

MAKING USE OF PAVEMENT AND FLOORING TO ENCOURAGE AND PREVENT USAGE OF SPACES, AND TO GIVE A SENSE OF DIRECTION.

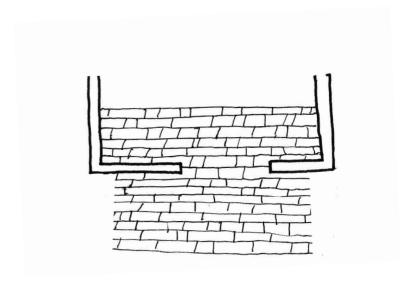




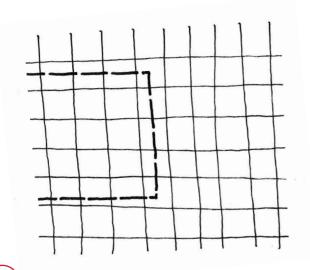




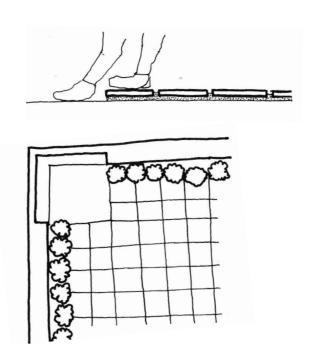
2 Overlapping Pavement Pattern to Re-direct the user.



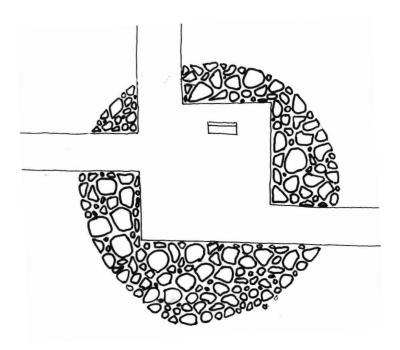
3 Pavement continuing inside the Unit to not render it as a Separate Space.



Pavement of Semi-open areas kept the same to not render it as a Spearate Space.



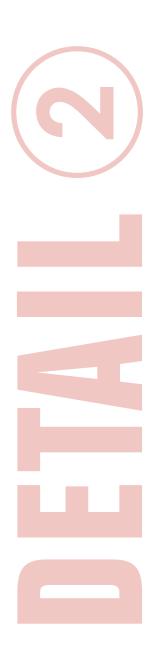
The Pavement done differently to accentuate the Modulation of the Parapet, and encourage use of Niches.

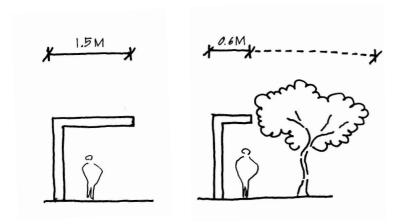


Pavement used to Create Centers, to Activate Spaces at the intersection of Circulation Paths.

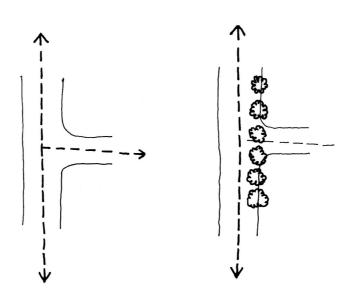
LANDSCAPING ELEMENTS

USAGE OF PLANTS AND TREES AS PLACE-MAKING ELEMENTS TO GIVE SENSE OF DIRECTION, AND ARTICULATE SPACES, AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO BUILDING ELEMENTS TO DECREASE COST OF CONSTRUCTION AND UTLISE F.S.I.

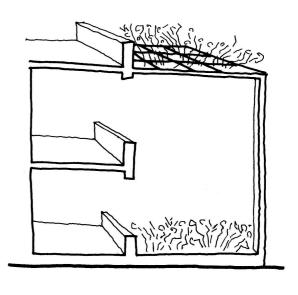




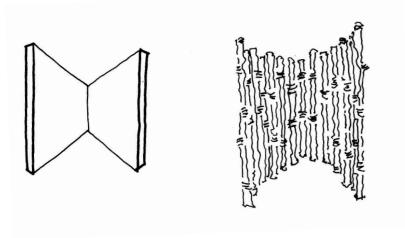




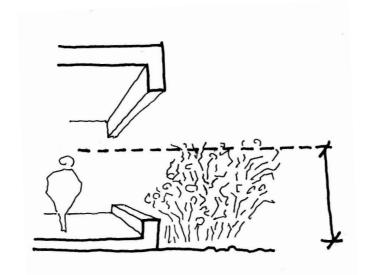
2 Trees as allowing



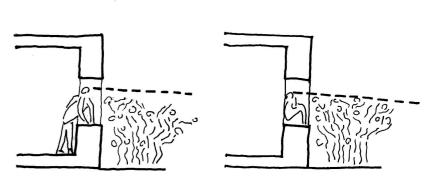
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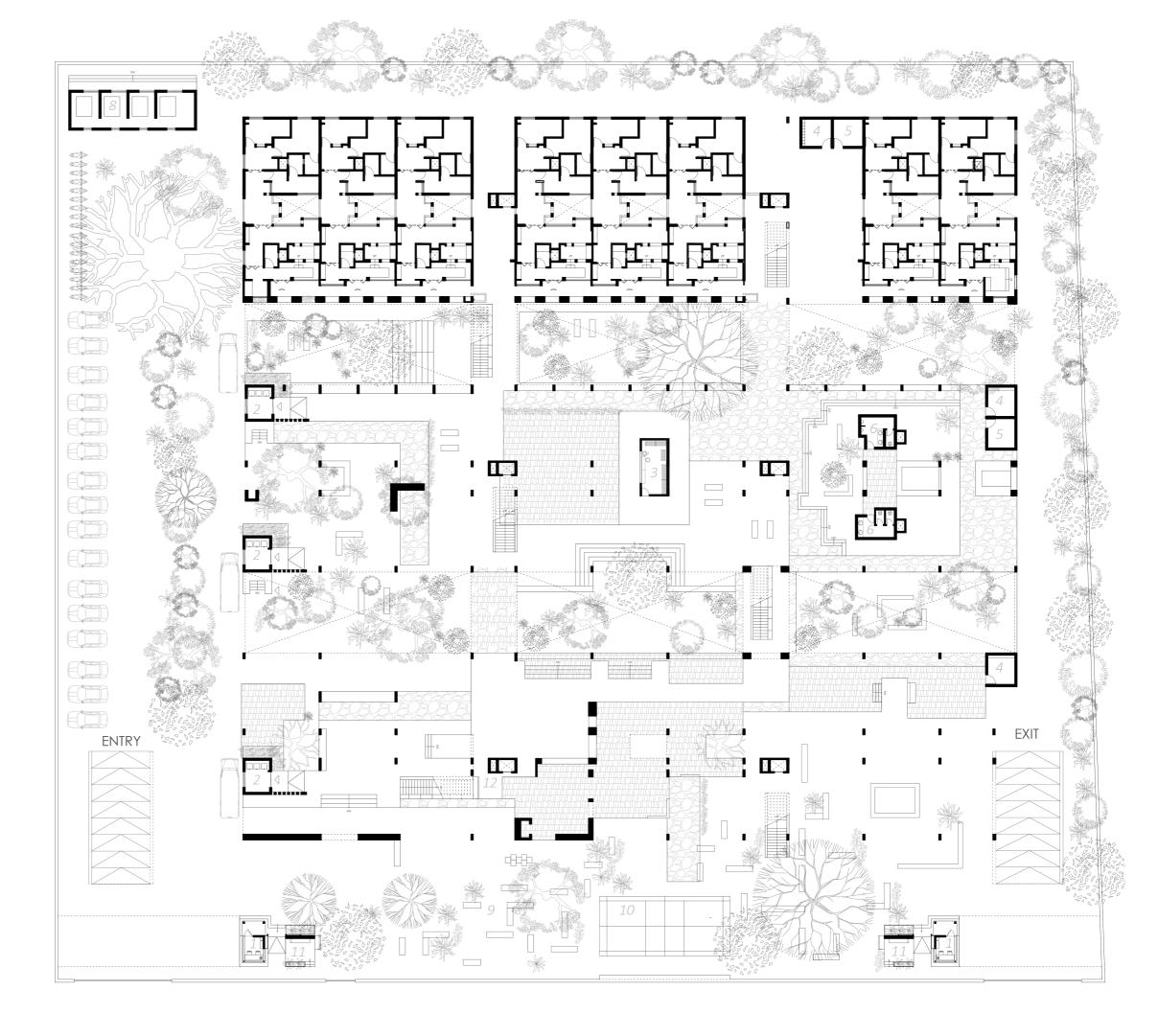
View from a Courtyard surrounded by Bamboo plantations to create an intimate space.

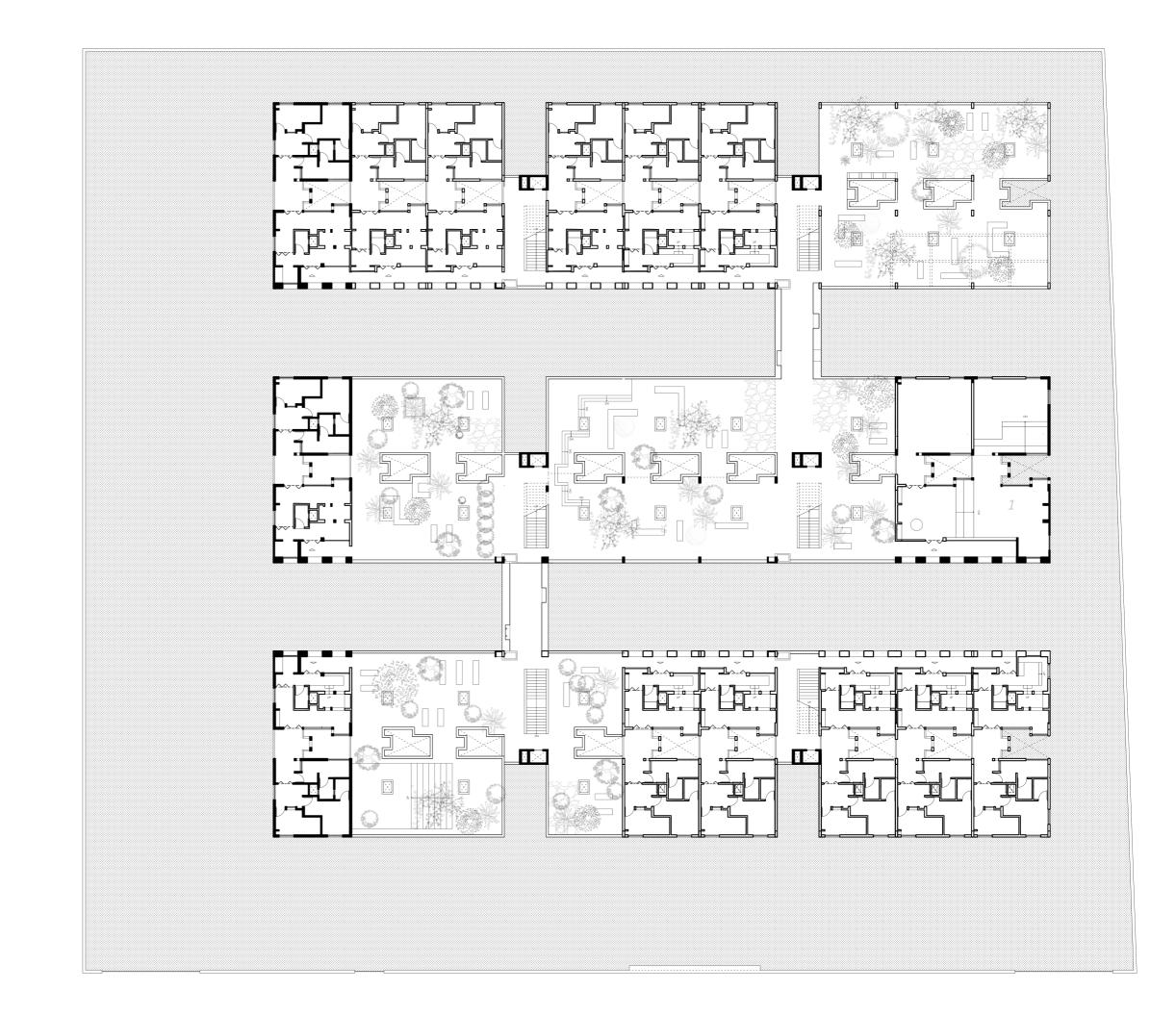
Legend:

- 1. Security Cabin
- 2. Garbage Disposal and Stor-
- age Space 3. Cloud Kitchen
- 4. Meter Room
- 5. Pump Room
- 6. Common Toilet 7. Visitor Parking
- 8. Transformer Room
- 9. Play Area
- 10. Badminton Court
- 11. Waiting Area for Delivery Personnel
- 12. Storage Space for Sports

Ground Floor Plan







Legend:

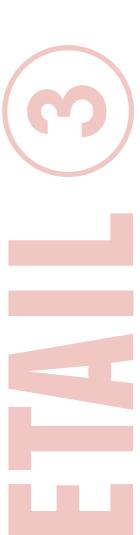
1. Cards' Room

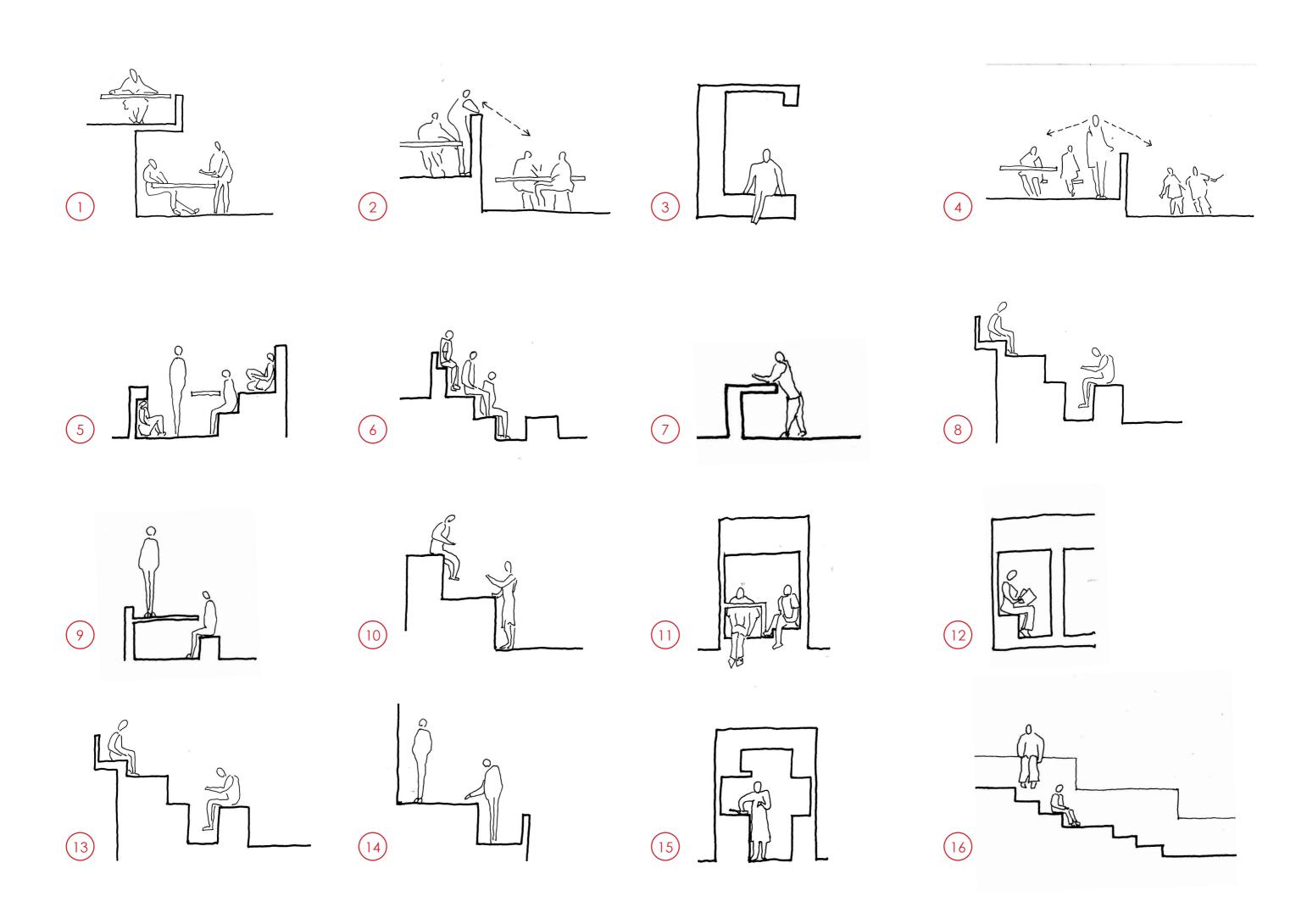
Fifth Floor Plan



PARAPET ON TERRACES AS AN ELEMENT

MODULATION OF PARAPET TO CARVED OUT NICHES AND ARTICULATE ELEMENTS TO ACTIVATE INTERMEDIATE TERRACES

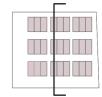










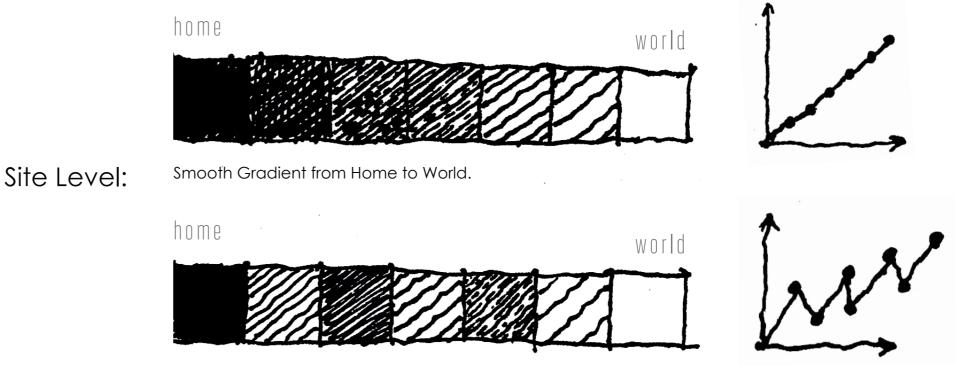




"THE SUN AT HOME WARMS BETTER THAN THE SUN ELSEWHERE."

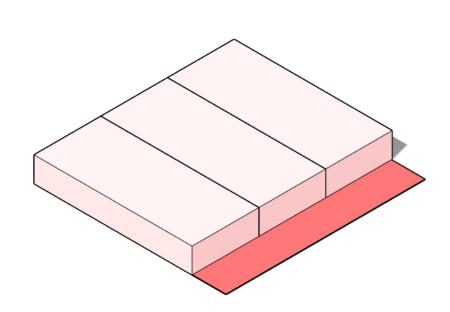
UNIT PLAN

The journey alternates
between places that feel
like home and not home,
constantly bringing them
closer to home, one step
at a time. It confuses the
resident as to how close to
home they are, encouraging
them to be comfortable and
spend time outside their
house, hence fostering a
sense of community.

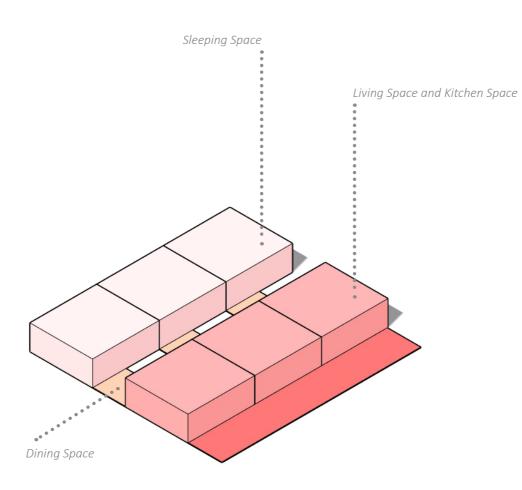


Unit Level:

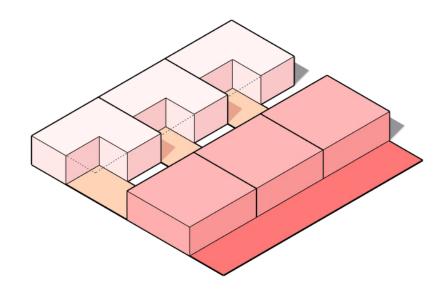
Fluctuating Gradient from Home to World.



1 Creating a **Sellable Corridor** on one side of the Unit.



Dividing the Mass into Two, forcing the users to come outside their 'house', while inside their 'home', further emphasizing the fluctuating transition towards home.



Articulating the mass to **further away the feeling at-home**, making them crave for it, and hence making the transition evident.

View from the Living Space of the Unit.

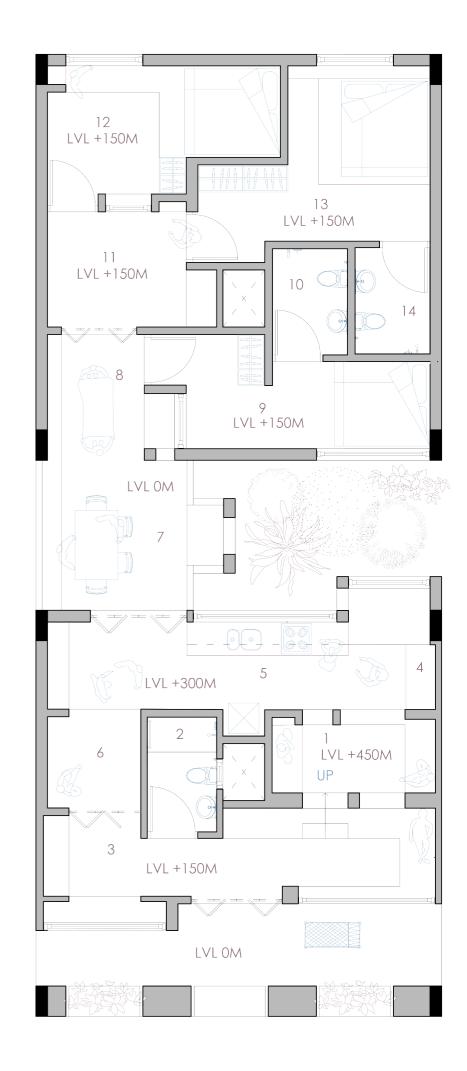
View from the Entrance of the Unit.

Legend:

- 1. Living Room
- 2. Common Bathroom
- 3. Reading Space
- 4. Kitchen Storage
- 5. Kitchen
- 6. Leisure Space
- 7. Dining Space
- 8. Foyer 1
- 9. Bedroom 1
- 10. Bathroom 1
- 11. Foyer 2
- 12. Bedroom 2
- 13. Bedroom 3
- 14. Bathroom 2

Unit Plan and Section







"THE ACHE FOR HOME LIVES IN ALL OF US."

MAYA ANGELOU

