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# THE KNOWLEDGE NEXUS-MODERN MUSEUM AND SCIENCE CENTER

#### INTRODUCTION

A "modern museum and science center" refers to a contemporary institution that serves various purposes related to education, research, and public engagement with cultural heritage, scientific knowledge, and innovation. These institutions have evolved from traditional museums and science centers to incorporate modern technologies, interactive exhibits, and innovative programming to better engage with diverse audiences and address contemporary issues.



#### HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

Museums and science centers have long served as invaluable resources for preserving cultural heritage, promoting scientific literacy, and fostering intellectual curiosity. From the grand halls of renowned art museums to the interactive exhibits of cuttingedge science centers, these institutions play a vital role in enriching public understanding and appreciation of the world around us. However, as society undergoes profound transformations driven by globalization, digitalization, and demographic shifts, museums and science centers must adapt to remain relevant and impactful.

#### **NEED OF THE TOPIC**

The need for a thesis topic on "Modern Museum and Science Center" is driven by the evolving roles of these institutions in contemporary society. With changes in technology, education, and societal expectations, there is a demand for research to understand how museums and science centers can adapt and innovate to remain relevant, engaging, and impactful. This thesis topic addresses the need to explore new approaches to museum design, educational programming, community engagement, and the integration of technology to enhance visitor experiences and promote lifelong learning.

#### **AIM**

The aim is to examine the evolving roles of these institutions in contemporary society, focusing on how they can adapt, innovate, and leverage technology to remain relevant, engaging, and impactful in promoting education, cultural enrichment, and community engagement.

#### **OBJECTIVE**

The is to explore the strategies and approaches employed by these institutions to adapt to changing societal needs and technological advancements, aiming to enhance visitor experiences, promote education, foster community engagement, and innovate in cultural and scientific communication.

#### **METHODOLOGY**

- **1.Literature Review**: Review existing literature on museum and science center management, design, programming, and visitor engagement. Identify relevant theories, concepts, and case studies to inform the research.
- **2.Data Collection**: Gather data through various methods such as surveys, interviews, observations, and document analysis. Collect information on current practices, trends, challenges, and innovations in modern museums and science centers.
- **3.Case Studies**: Conduct in-depth case studies of selected museums and science centers to examine best practices, successful strategies, and innovative approaches in exhibit design, educational programming, and community engagement.
- **4.Analysis**: Analyze the collected data using qualitative and/or quantitative methods. Identify patterns, themes, and trends related to the roles, functions, and impact of modern museums and science centers.
- **5.Synthesis**: Synthesize the findings from the literature review, data collection, and analysis to develop insights and recommendations for enhancing the effectiveness and relevance of museums and science centers in contemporary society.
- **6.Validation**: Validate the findings and recommendations through expert review, peer feedback, and consultation with stakeholders such as museum professionals, educators, researchers, and community members.
- **7.Presentation**: Present the research findings, analysis, and recommendations in a clear, concise, and compelling manner through written reports, presentations, and visual aids

#### **SCOPE**

The scope encompasses an examination of contemporary practices, trends, and challenges within these institutions, with a focus on innovative approaches to exhibit design, educational programming, community outreach, and technological integration to enhance visitor engagement and promote learning and cultural appreciation.

#### **REQUIREMENTS**

- **1.Exhibition Galleries**: Flexible spaces for art displays and scientific exhibits.
- **2.Laboratories and Research Spaces**: Facilities for conducting experiments and workshops.
- **3.Educational Facilities**: Classrooms, lecture halls, and hands-on activity areas.
- **4.Interactive Zones**: Areas for engaging with interactive displays and technology.
- **5.Visitor Services Areas**: Ticketing counters, information desks, gift shops, and cafes.
- **6.Administrative Offices**: Offices for staff members, including curators and educators.
- **7.Collections Storage**: Facilities for storing and preserving artifacts and specimens.
- **8.Outdoor Spaces**: Gardens, courtyards, and observation decks for outdoor exhibits.
- **9.Accessibility Features**: Ramps, elevators, and tactile signage for accessibility.
- **10.Infrastructure and Support Facilities**: Restrooms, storage rooms, and mechanical rooms.

# SITE ANALYSIS

#### INTRODUCTION

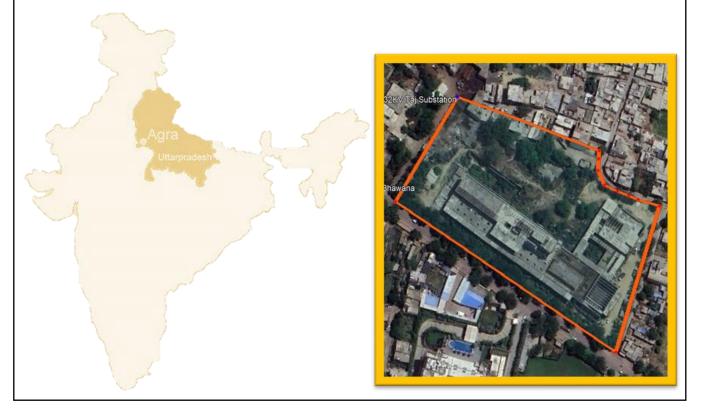
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#### SITE LOCATION

Site is located at - near Taj hotel and convention centre, Agra Area - 25,050 sq.M

Geographically, the proposed project site is located at-

latitude 27° 16' 34.65"n longitude 78" 05" 79.27"e



#### **SORROUNDING FEATURES**

The museum is proposed near the eastern gate of the taj mahal, just around 1.5 km from the taj mahal. The site is located along the taj east gate road opposite the radisson blu hotel. The parking and ticketing booth for taj are located at 700m from the site, therefore attract higher footfall.



- 1 Site.
- 2 Kalakriti Cultural and Convention Center.
- 3 Brahmakumari Spiritual Museum.
- 4 Hotel Radisson Blu.
- 5 Shilpgram.
- 6 The Oberoi Amar Vilas.
- 7 taj nature walk.
- 8 the taj mahal.
- 9 mehtab bagh.
- 10 shah jahan garden.
- 11 agra fort.
- 12 itmad-ud-daula mausoleum.
- 13 chini ka rauza.











There are numerous points of interests and attractions are available near to the prposed site. Be it leisure, adventure, sight seeing or commercial market places, cultural buildings, luxurious hotels and historical monuments.





#### SITE CONDITION

the site is located at a prime location, sharing one of the longer peripheries with the main road. the site is predominantly northeast-southwest oriented. the topography is fairly plain, there are neem and peepal trees at the site. the site is extensively under construction at the moment.

#### **SITE IMAGES-**



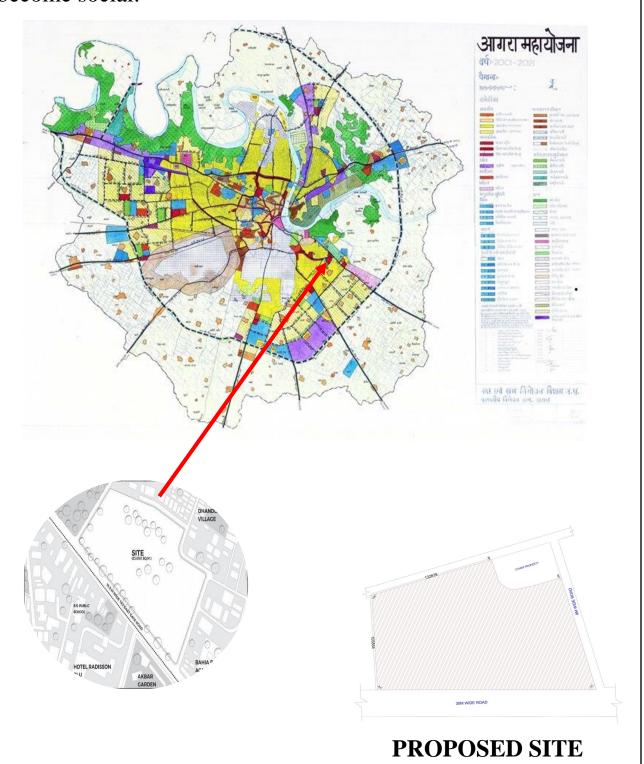


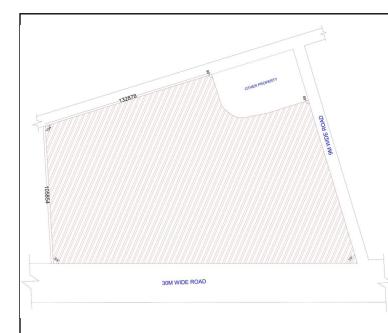




#### **AUTHENTICATED DATA OF SITE (MASTER PLAN -AGRA)**

this land falls under the blue category of master plan which states that this site is to be developed for the cultural and social upliftment of the society as a whole and to be strictly planned as a public space where people from different class, gender, society and places meet and great each other as well learn to become social.





#### **BY-LAWS**

TOTAL PLOT AREA = 25,050.00 M2
WIDTH OF CONNECTING ROAD = 30M AND 9M
PERMISSIBLE GROUND COVERAGE =25%
OF PLOT AREA PERMISSIBLE F.A.R. = 1.
MINIMUM LANDSCAPE AREA = 25% OF OPEN AREA

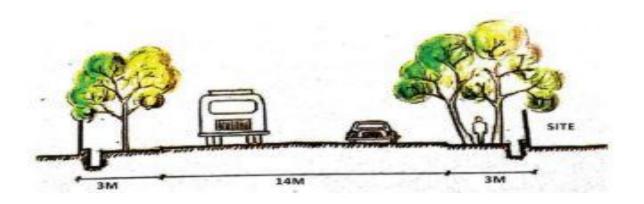
#### **SECTIONS**

S E C T I O N



ECTION





#### **GEOLOGICAL FEATURES**

#### **Soil conditions:**

The soil condition of agra, india, is predominantly alluvial due to its location in the indo-gangetic plain. Alluvial soils are generally fertile and well-suited for agriculture. They are formed by the deposition of silt, clay, and sand carried by rivers like the ganges and yamuna over thousands of years. These soils are known for their high fertility, good water retention capacity, and easy cultivation.

#### Soil type:

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#### **Slope analysis:**

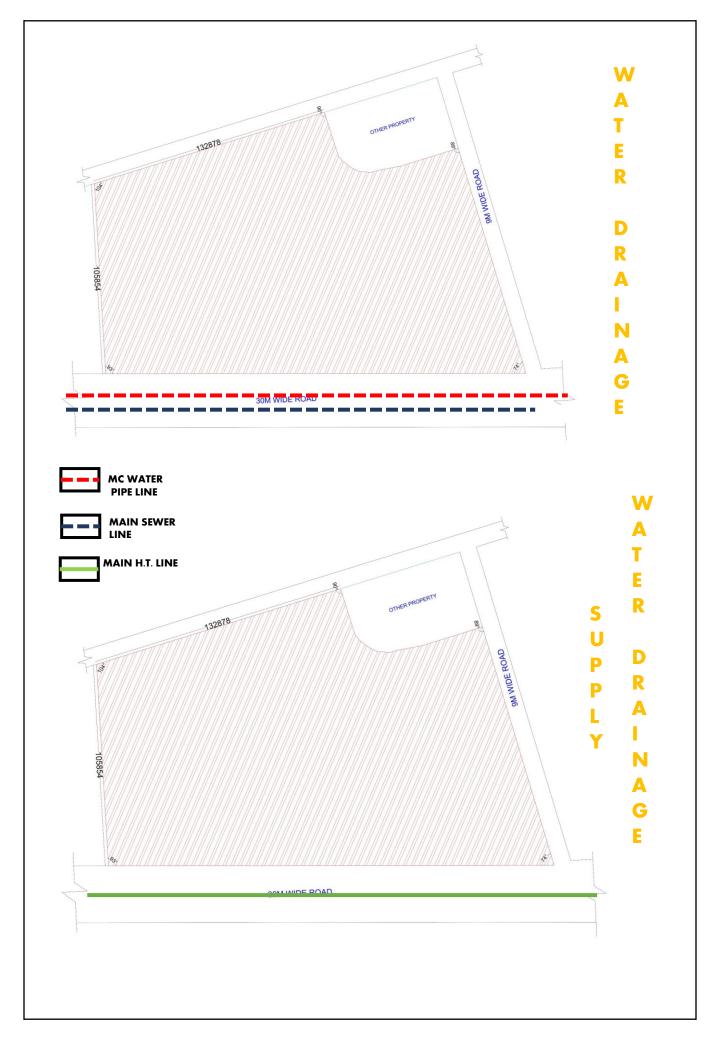
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#### **Subsidence/erosion:**

Proper greening and paving of site area will not cause any soil subsidence problem.

#### **Seismicity:**

The whole country has been divided into 5 seismic zones as per maximum intensity of 'modified mercalli scale' (mms). The project site lies in seismic zone iv, called as 'high damage risk zone'.



#### **SWOT ANALYSIS**

The site is located at a walkable distance from the public parking for the Taj Mahal.

Wayfinding to the museum doesn't appear to be a problem as the site is surrounded by important landmarks.

A series of trees lining the site along the road substantially decrease the visibility to the site, interfering the visual experience the museum can offer.

The site cannot be easily reached by public transport as the road infront of the site leads to the Taj rather than a thoroughfare for any active centres

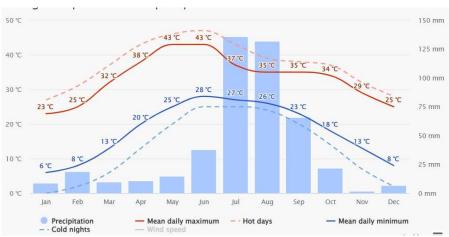
The museum can help activate the spline for tourism thus creating job opportunities for the people around.

The museum can create social cohesion as it has the potential to induce a cultural dialogue.

The site is located close to an informal settlement and the museum might be prone to vandalism

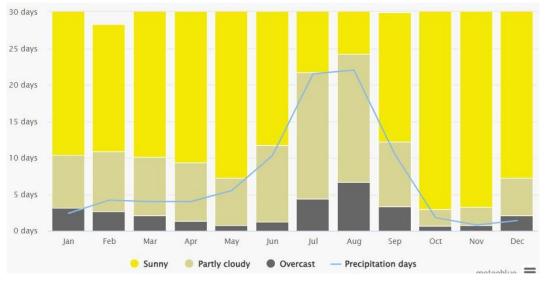
#### **CLIMATE ANALYSIS**

#### **AVERAGE TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION**



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#### **CLOUDY, SUNNY, AND PRECIPITATION DAYS**



The graph shows the monthly number of sunny, partly cloudy, overcast and precipitation days. Days with less than 20% cloud cover are considered as sunny, with 20-80% cloud cover as partly cloudy and with more than 80% as overcast.

The diagram for agra shows the days per month, during which the wind reaches a certain speed.

#### **SUN PATH DIRECTION DIAGRAM**





**SUNPATH** 

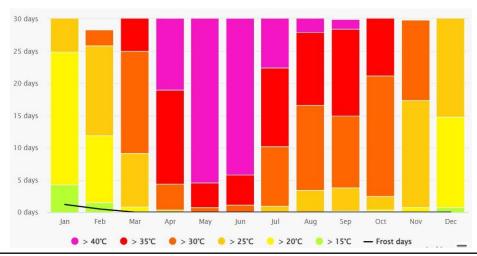


#### WIND DIRECTION

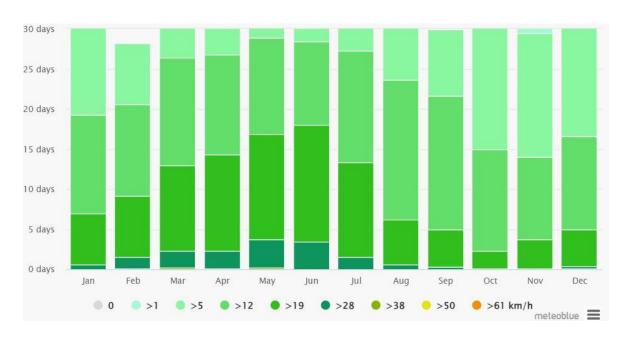
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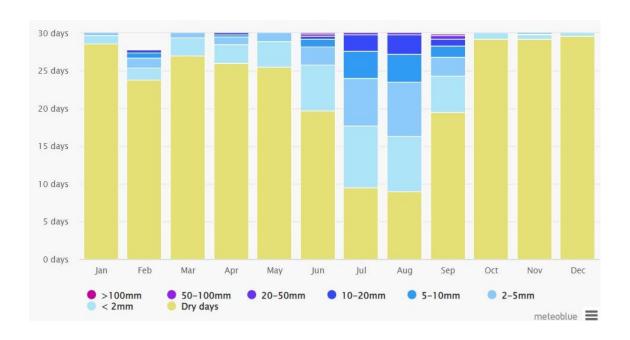
#### **MAXIMUM TEMPERATURES**



#### WIND SPEED



#### PRECIPITATION AMOUNTS



The precipitation diagram for agra shows on how many days per month, certain precipitation amounts are reached. In tropical and monsoon climates, the amounts may be underestimated.

# CASE STUDY AND LITERATURE STUDY

## CASE STUDY 1NATIONAL GALLERY OF MODERN ART, NEW DELHI

#### INTRODUCTION

- -Designed by Sir Arthur Bloomfield.
- -Jaipur House was initially house of Jaipur kings.
- -The National Gallery of Modern Art, New Delhi, is a repository of more than 17000 most significant works of modern and contemporary art in the country.
- -The principal aims of NGMA are to acquire and preserve modern art from 1850 onwards.

and to present it to a global audience which will create an understanding and sensitivity towards a time that helped shape contemporary art in India,

- -The institution is also committed to promote contemporary Indian art in its various forms.
- -NGMA is the only museum that preserves cultural architecture and fuses all the modern elements all-together and develop an education and documentation centre, organize seminars and lectures to encourage higher education.
- -Above all, the National Gallery of Modern Art helps people to look at the works of modern art with greater joy. understanding and knowledge by extending their relationship with our daily life and experiencing them as vital expressions of the human spirit.

Location-Jaipur house ,Shershah road ,near India Gate, New Delhi

Site Area 7.84 acres (31674 Sq. M.)

Built up (26926 Sq M.)





#### CONNECTIVITY

 Skhan-Market
 -1.4km

 NDLS
 -6km

 Jaipur House
 -0.5km

 IGIA
 -14.5km

#### **HISTORY**

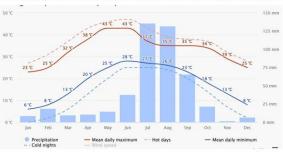
- -The idea of a National art gallery was first mooted in 1949, and further developed by Prime Minister Jawahar Lal Nehru and Maulana Azad, bureaucrats such as Humayun Kabir and the local art community.
- -Designed by Sir Arthur Bloomfield, as a residence for the Maharaja of Jaipur, the butterfly-shaped building with a central dome was built in 1936.
- -It was styled after a concept of the Central Hexagon visualized by Sir Edwin Lutyens.
- -It was Lutyens, along with Herbert Baker, who visualized and gave shape to the new capital in Delhi.

#### **CLIMATE**

The climate of Delhi is an overlap between monsoon-influenced humid subtropical and semi-arid, with high variation between summer and winter temperatures and precipitation

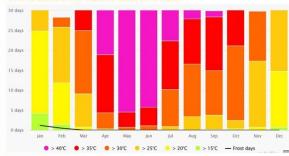
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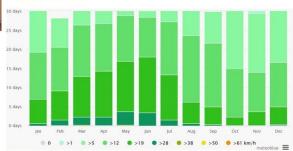


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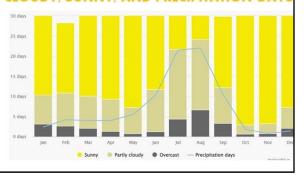
#### **MAXIMUM TEMPERATURES**



#### WIND SPEED



#### CLOUDY, SUNNY, AND PRECIPITATION DAYS



#### SITE SURROUNDINGS

#### SITE PLAN



INDIA RASHTRAPATI GATE BHAVAN



SUPREME

#### SUN PATH DIAGRAM



COURT

#### **CONCEPT & PRINCIPLES**

#### **JAIPUR HOUSE**

- -Designed by ar. Arthur blomfield in 1939
- -Butterfly layout with a central dome
- -Cladded in red and yellow sandstone
- -Was served as residence of king of jaipur
- -Continuous sunshade (chhajja) in red stone casts a deep shadow and caps the whole façade.
- -Horizontal band of interlocking pattern in red and buff stone reminiscent of mughal monuments.
- -Carved ornamental rajputana columns that framed few arch openings.
- -Roman arches are also used.





# CENTRAL COURT —

#### **NEW WING**

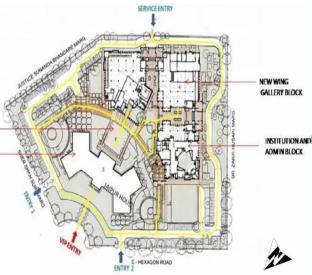
- -The new building is the result of national architectural competition held in 1984 to build an extension to jaipur house.
- -The 3 new blocks are placed orthogonally to the site edges.
- -Causes negation of the axis generated by symmetrical plan of jaipur house.
- -The collonade is made to align the new building with the old.
- -Façade is composed to appear as layered.
- -Seperation of stone cladding and masonry wall highlighted by aluminium sheet.







#### SITE CIRCULATION



#### Site Area 1.84 acres (31674 Sq. M.) Built up (4620 SQ M.) -Service road and pedestrian movement overlap each other. regulate the gallery spaces to an optimum illumination -Old trees preserved and fused with building in a -Administrative block is placed at the back of new wing. -Utilization of space of circulation areas as display - Use of skylights and celestial windows in library and between the two blocks. Daylight sensors automatically -New wing's appearance is derived from existing Jaipur House by use of Sandstone lad in pattern of red and -The interconnecting Ramps function as buffer space -Red and Butt sandstone bands at the base of -The external walls of the new wing are dad in red sandstone of a colour similar to that of -No proper signage or floor maps inside the building. Conservation Lab 600 50 M Display Area 12000 SQ M Art Storage 2600 SQ M -No On-Site parking available for visitors, Jaipur House New Wing the older Jaipur house. -No dustbin rear the galleries. existing building. MATERIAL DEMERITS JAIPUR HOUSE FLOOR PLANS seamless way. MERITS areas. level. FLOOR PLAN FLOOR PLAN GROUND FIRST SPACE FIRST AND SECOND FLOOR PLAN CLIMATE LIBRARY(50-60 PEOPLE) ELEVATIONS LECTURE ROOM STAFF ROOM CONNECTING SECTIONS J. C. NATIONAL GALLERY OF MODERN LOWER GROUND FLOOR PLAN **BASEMENT PLAN ART, NEW DELHI** GROUND CONFERENCE ROOM FLOOR PLAN PHOTOGRAPHY & LAB STORE PERMANENT GALLERY ENTRY TO NEW WING ENTRY TO NEW WING ENTRY TO NEW WING HVAC ROOM PROJECTOR ROOM EXHIBITION SPACE PARKING STORAGE SERVICES MUSEUM SHOP TICKET COUNTE OUTER SPACE AUDITORIUM CAFETERIA LOBBY TOILETS ADMIN

# AREA PROGRAMME

Administration, Workshop & Support 4445 SO M

General Stores 150 50 M

Services and Circulation 3000 SQM

Underground Parking 1383 SQ M FOTAL AREA 26926 SQ M

Auditorium (200 seating) 750 SQ M Preview Theatre (90 seating) 2600 50 M

Cafeteria (100 seating) 450 SQ M Library (60 seating) 600 50 M

Under Ground Parking 15 cars Surface Parking 264 Cars TOTAL PARKING 279 CARS

Parking

## SERVICES

On site Boring WATER

ELECTRICITY

Supplied by Delhi Vidyut Board DRAINAGE Sewer and Rain water is drained in the

municipal line HVAC Centrally air conditioned

each on Active measures FIRE FIGHTING

connected visually

floor,

## INFERENCES

-Use of Daylights and Celestial Windows to maintain the daylight. --Provision of central sitting space to let Creating buffer zone between galleries. users absorb visuals





-MODERN MUSEUM AND THE KNOWLEDGE NEXU SCIENCE CENTER

#### CASE STUDY 2-NATIONAL CRAFTS MUSEUM .NEW DELHI

#### INTRODUCTION

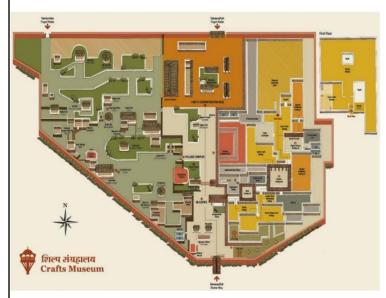
-LOCATION: Located near Purana Quilla on the BhaironRoad.

Just opposite Pragati Maidan, New Delhi, India

CLIENT: Trade fair authority of India.

ARCHITECT: Charles Correa

YEAR: 1975-1990 SIZE: 6,800 SQ.M.



Museum is also known as National Handicrafts and Handlooms Museum. Museums in managed by Ministry of Textiles. The museum was established in the year 1950 by the efforts of freedom fighter Smt. Kamaladevi Chattopadhyay. The whole museum is set up like a village and the current building was designed by architect Charles Correa. A village complex also in the museum spreads over an area of 5 Acre.

The museum is important as it provides space to artisans from around the country to assemble and share their craft with counterparts from different regions. This transformed the project from a mere exhibit to a cultural exchange and craft promotion arena.



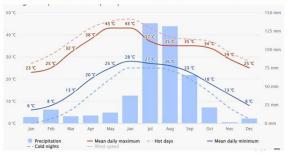


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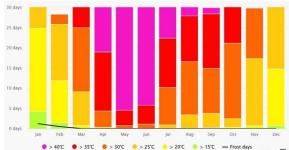
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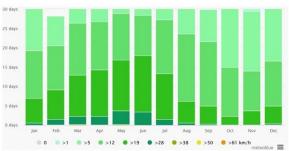


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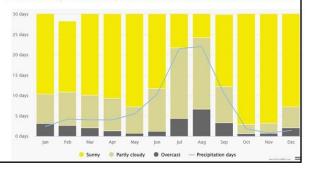
#### **MAXIMUM TEMPERATURES**



#### WIND SPEED



#### CLOUDY SUNNY AND PRECIPITATION DAYS



LAYOUT

The National Crafts Museum was an exercise in architectural and cultural metaphors.

The low-lying Museum building is a reflection vernacular architecture and fine craftsmanship. Several architectural elements like jharokha, internal courtyards, open and semi-open passages, roof tiles arches, carved doors, posts, pillars, perforated iron-screens etc. are all the visual delights.

Apart from the collection, the museum houses Research and Documentation facilities, a reference library, a conservation laboratory, a photo laboratory and an auditorium.

#### **FLOOR PLANS**





#### Facility Areas in Sq.m. Village Complex 3000 Craft Demonstration 2000 140 **Amphitheatre** Temporary Exhibition 130 Administration 50 Shop **Buta Sculptures** 60 Folk and Tribal Art 100 Village Court 60 Temple Court 140 Cultic Object 125 Courtly Craft 500 Darbar Court 60 110 Library Reserve Collection 100 Conservation Lab 50

**FACILITIES** 





#### CIRCULATION

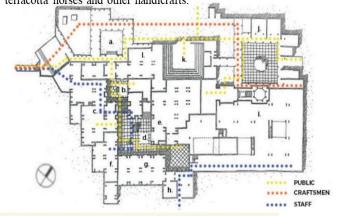
The museum is organised around a central pathway, revealing a sequence of spaces along the pedestrian spine.

Exhibits, such as in the Village Court and the Temple Court, lie along the path in the connected courtyards.

The design demonstrateds the relevance of courtyards as an effective means of regulating comfort conditions in an urban setup.

Off these courts are particular exhibits such as village crafts etc. The exhibits may be viewed individually or seen as an unfolding of "events" along the way.

The sequence ends with the exit via the roof garden, which forms and amphitheatre for folk dances, as well as open air display of large terracotta horses and other handicrafts.





**SECTION** 

#### LITERATURE STUDY 1-SOLOMON R. GUGGENHEIM MUSEUM.NEWYORK

#### INTRODUCTION

Location: Side neighbourhood of Manhattan, New York City.

Latitude: 40° 46' 58.728" N Longitude: 73° 57' 32.2956" 5.1 km away from Grand Central. 60 km away from Pensylvania Station

29 2 km away from J. F. Kennedy International Airport



-It is a landmark work of 20th-century architecture designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. The cylindrical building, wider at the top than at the bottom, was conceived as a "temple of the spirit".

-Its unique ramp gallery extends up from ground level in a long, continuous spiral along the outer edges of the building to end just under the ceiling skylight.

- -16 year project designed by American architect Frank Lloyd Wright.
- -The building underwent extensive expansion and renovations in 1992 when an adjoining tower was built, and from 2005 to 2008.
- -It has a 51,000 ft2 gallery space office, theatre, and retail space
- -92ft tall atrium topped with expansive glass dome Main ramp coils upward 6 floors, more than ¼ mile.

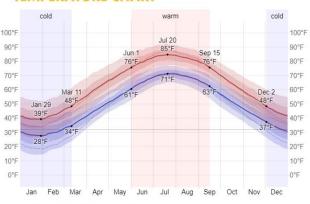


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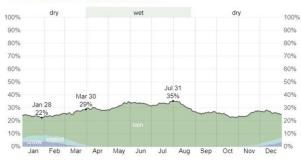
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#### CLIMATE

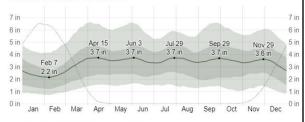
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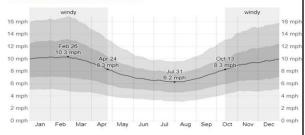
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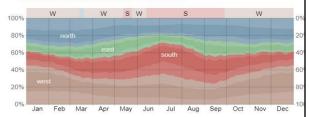
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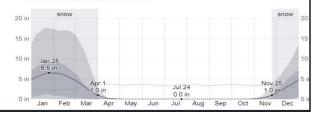
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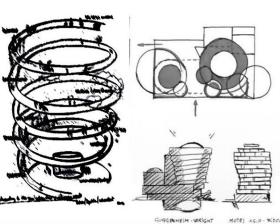
#### SNOWEALL CHAPT



Wright created the philosophy of organic architecture, which means that the building should develop out of its natural surroundings.

Although the word 'organic' usually refers to something that bears the characteristics of plants or animals, for Frank Lloyd Wright the term organic architecture had a separate meaning.

For him organic architecture was an interpretation of nature's principles manifested in buildings that were in harmony with the world around them. Building inspired by Wright's love for the automobile - Planetarium designed for visitors to drive up the ziggurat-like ramps.

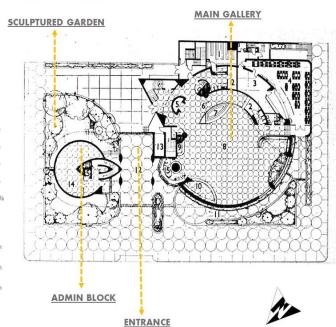


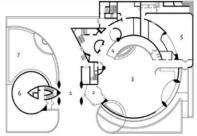
FORM AND FUNCTION SHOULD BE ONE JOINED IN A SPIRITUAL UNION

-by Frank Lloyd

In this building form and function are following together

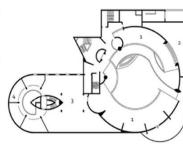
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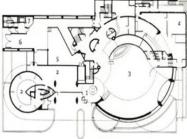


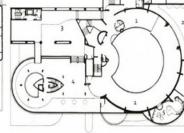
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- 3 MAIN GALLERY / ATRIUM RAMP
- 5 GALLERY 6 OFFICES
- 7 SCULPTURE GARDEN



MAIN FLOOR (1959)

- 2 HIGH GALLERY 3 LIBRARY
- 4 OFFICES





MAIN FLOOR (1984-1992)

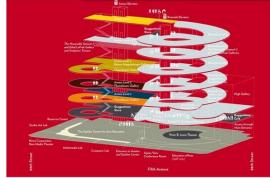
- STORE
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- RECEIVING

- MAIN FLOOR (1984-1992) 1 RAMP/ EXHIBITION 2 HIGH GALLERY 3 EXHIBITION
- 4 PERMANENT COLLECTION

Four floors of exhibition space, three of which are double height, also have office and storage space for mechanical systems. Twelve radial web walls divide the gallery into 70 bays for viewing art work, A large glass dome covers the entire rotunda, providing natural lighting inside the gallery. Skylights line each level of the rotunda, providing natural light along the periphery. The gallery walls are 9'6" tall and slope slightly outwards at 97 degrees from the floor. Designed to hold paintings, the tilt of the gallery walls was intended to replicate the slope of an ease!

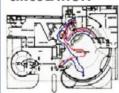
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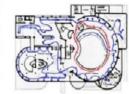
The museum was designed by zoning of spaces into exhibition spaces, administrative space and other amenities. Spaces were zoned vertically rather than horizontally approach. Four floors of exhibition space, there of which are double height, also have office and storage space for mechanical system.



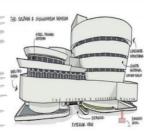
#### LITERATURE STUDY 1-SOLOMON R. GUGGENHEIM MUSEUM, NEWYORK

#### **CIRCULATION**





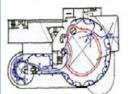


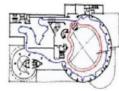


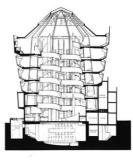
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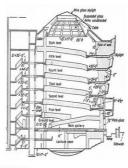
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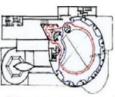


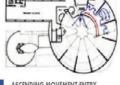












DESCENDING MOVEMENT/EXIT ASCENDING MOVEMENT/ENTRY

In the Guggenheim, Wright intended to allow visitors to experience the collection paintings by taking an elevator to the top level then view artworks by descending the central spiral ramp Museum currently designs exhibits to be viewed walking up the ramp rather than walking down.From street, building looks like a white ribbon rolled into a cylindrical shape, slightly wider at the top than at the bottom.

#### BUILDING LAYOUT WITH DESIGN CONCEPTS

- -Ten story limestone clad, Constructed in 1992.
- -It was an extension of the four story annex built in 1968, the present structure occupies the same footprint.
- -Four floors of exhibition space, three of which are double height, also has office and storage space for mechanical systems.





#### **MONITOR**

- -Originally serviced work spaces, a library, offices, and
- -In 1963, the second floor of the monitor was converted into a separate gallery that opens to the main exhibition space.
- -In 1980, the monitor's ground floor was opened to the main lobby. All other floors are utilized for gallery space.

Twelve radial web walls divide the gallery into 70 bays for viewing

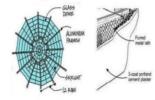
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#### **MATERIALS**

- -The Guggenheim is primarily composed of reinforced concrete
- -Normal weight cast in place concrete is the mater al of the lower levels.
- -Light weight concrete is the material of the interior radial walls and the ramps.
- -Gunite, or shot Crete, is the material used for the exterior of the spiral curved walls.
- -Wright used qunite to achieve a seamless monolithic facade.
- -Wright left out expansion joints, which would have created visual vertical breaks,
- -He hoped the application of elastomeric paint, known as the cocoon would fill in the cracks formed during construction.
- -The pairing of multiple types of concrete caused visible cracks in the facade.
- -Steel framed windows,
- -Aluminium skylights were designed. -Cement plasters soffits on metal lath.



#### 1-THE ROTUNDA (BOTTOM)

- 2-THE ROTUNDA (TOP)
- 3-STAIRCASE
- 4-SMALL ROTUNDA/ THANNHAUSER BUILDING 5-VASILY KANDINSKY PAINTING EXHIBITION 6-THE THANNHAUSER COLLECTION

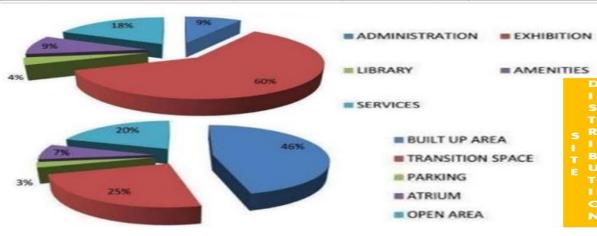
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USER	ACTIVITY	SPACE
VISITOR	Visual Experience	Level 1 Gallery Level 2 Gallery
		Level 3 Gallery
		Level 4 Gallery
		Level 5 Gallery
		Level 6 Gallery
		Level 7 Gallery
		Level / Gallery
	Shopping	Museum Shop
	100	
	Reading	Library
		Cyber Room
	Parking	4-1-2-1-1-1-1-1
	Parking	Parking Area
	Sanitation	Toilet
		Tonce
	Beverage & Food	Restaurant
		Water Fountain
ADMINISTRATION &	Official Work & Monitoring	Office
SERVICE STAFF	Lacordon for recognitive and	Server Room
	Services	Maintenance
	SCIVICES	Janitor Room
		Store
		Housekeeping Centre
		High Tension Control Room
		HVAC Room
	Meeting	Meeting Hall
		Seminar Hall
	Retiring	Staff Rest Room
		Canal Printers
	Beverage & Food	Pantry
	Sanitation	Staff Toilet
WORKER STAFF	Restoration	Restoration Lab
		Store
		Reserve Collection

#### **AREA STATEMENT**

S.NO	SPACE	NO. OF UNITS	AREA ( SQ METRE)	DESIGN CAPACITY
1.	ENTRANCE			100
	Entrance Lobby		300	C .
	Reception I 30	1	30	
	Back Office I 20	1	20	
2.	ADMINISTRATION			50
	Staff Office	5	60	
	Director General's Chamber	1	20	
	Curator Office	1	12	
_	Meeting Room	1	40	
	Staff Rest Room	1	40	
	Security Monitoring Room	1	20	
-	Server Room	1	20	
	Staff Toilet (M/F)	5/5	30	
	Restoration Laboratory !	1	200	
		1	40	
	Pantry	1	40	
3.	EXHIBITION GALLERY			700
- 5	Level 1 Gallery 1	1	200	
į.	Level 2 Gallery 1	1	400	8
	Level 3 Gallery 1	1	800	
1	Level 4 Gallery 1	1	800	
	Level 5 Gallery I	1	800	
	Level 6 Gallery I	1	400	
	Level 7 Gallery I	1	200	
4.	LIBRARY		150	60
	Librarian's Office	1	20	
	Cyber Room	1	30	
5.	AMENITIES			
	Restaurant	1	200	50
	Museum Shop	1	100	40
	Seminar Hall	1	200	50
-	Toilet (M/F)	10/10		
6.	SERVICES			
	Maintenance	1	200	
	Janitor Room	1	50	
	Store	5	200	
	Housekeeping Centre	1	200	
- 6	High Tension Control Room	1	200	
	HVAC Room	1	200	
_	2424446		200	
7.	PARKING		200	40
	Staff Parking		100	
8.	OPEN SPACES			250
	Atrium	E .	900	
9.	TRANSITION AREA(40% of Built Up)		3200	
	The state of the s		52.00	
	TOTAL AREA		11200 SQ METRE	





### LITERATURE STUDY 1SCIENCE CITY.KOLKATA

#### INTRODUCTION

The Science City was inaugurated on 1st July 1997 and has been developed as a major attraction for the residents as well as for national and international visitors of Kolkata. It is developed by the National Council of Science Museums, Ministry of Culture, Government of India. Spanning over an area of about 50 acres, the Science City presents science and technology in an inspiring and engaging environment which is both educational and entertaining for the visitors.

Architect: Ar. Aftab Amin Director: A. D. Chowdhury

Site Area: 49.7 acres (201136 sq.m.)

Location: At the crossing of Eastern Metropolitan bypass

and Park Circus road,Kolkata Year of Completion: 1997 Cost of Project: 50 Crores ap

Cost of Project : 50 Crores approx. FAR: 0.34 (2.475 permissible)

Total Built Up Area: 68284 sq. m. (497811.6 sq. m.

permissible)

Ground Coverage: 16.62% i.e. 33426.38 sq. m. (35% i.e.

70397.6 sq. m. permissible) Parking: 1000 cars & 25 buses Visitors: 1573560 per annum

Staff: 72







#### SCIENCE CENTRE COMPLEX

- SDACE ODVSSEV
- DYNAMOTION
- SCIENCE PARK
- MARITIME CENTR
- EARTH EXPLORATION HALI
- EVOLUTION THEME PARK



#### CONVENTION CENTRE COMPLEX

- MAIN AUDITORIUN
- MINI AUDITORIUN
- SEMINAR HALL BUILDING

#### **SURROUNDINGS**

North: Milan Mela

Ground

South: Residential High-

Rise Apartments –

'Atmosphere', by Forum Projects Pvt. Ltd.

East: Energy Education

Park

West: Mirania Lake

Nearest Railway Station: Sealdah Junction, 5km

Nearest Bus Stand: Central bus terminal, 7.5km

Nearest Metro Station: Dum

Dum, 13km

Nearest Airport: Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose International Airport, 18km



The site is almost rectangular in shape and is formed on a barren garbage dump land with degraded soil on top covering up to 6 meters.

#### VIEW



#### 70NING

#### Public Zone:

Ticket Plaza – 1175 sq. m.

Space Odyssey – 4900 sq.m.

Dynamotion – 5500 sq. m.

Maritime Centre – 920 sq. m.

Earth Exploration Hall – 980

Science Park – 4550 sq. m.

#### Semi - Public Zone:

Main Auditorium – 9125 sq. m. Mini Auditorium – 1337 sq. m. Seminar Hall Building – 2261 sq.m.

Exhibition Area – 1700 sq. m.

Administrative Area Service Areas



#### **ENTRANCE & EXIT**

- -Access to the site is by a road network of 15m & 23m roads.
- -The roads inside the Science City are 7.5 m wide.
- -There are 2 entries, one main entry from the Park Circus connector road and the other one from the Eastern Metropolitan bypass; and one exit.

#### LANDSCAPING

Landscaping is an impressive feature at the Science City

Main Plaza: The huge plaza is carefully planted with low heighted plants & non foliage trees. Major part is covered with maze hedges enclosing open exhibits. Low height creeper shrubs are used near kiosks for shading seating benches. Musical fountain is the main attraction feature of the plaza. Royal palms are planted near parking & service lane.

Entrance Plaza: The entrance plaza is lush green enclosing fountains; it forms patterns with sandstone pathways.

Convention Centre: The plaza is landscaped with potted plants, flower beds, water channels and fountains. A combination of changing levels with steps, ramps and fountains exaggerates the function and beauty of the plaza.







Main Plaza

Entrance Plaza

**Convention Centre** 

#### ON SITE CIRCULATION

**Pedestrian movement:** A network of sandstone paved pathways of 3.5m, 2.5m & 1.8m wide are used by the visitors to access various buildings

By Ropeway: It was introduced to provide a panoramic view of the site from the gate complex to the end of the site.

By Monorail: Runs on elevated tracks throughout the site.

By Toy train: Runs throughout the site. Useful to persons who avoid walking especially elderly people.



#### SITE CIRCULATION



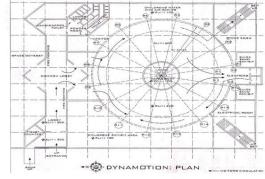
#### **DYNAMOTION & SPACE ODYSSEY**

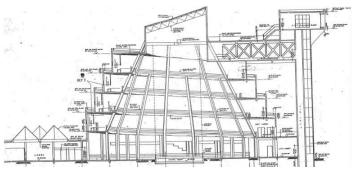
These are two different requirements clubbed up as a single structure with a huge common double heighted sky lit lobby which includes an information computer, drinking water facility and public toilets.

#### DYNAMOTION

A circular shell structure with a fascinating exterior geometry. It is 38m high structure with a spiral shaped ramp around a 15m dia. central atrium which is raised to the top.

Plinth area is 3000 sq.m. Space distributed for each floor: Third floor - 1000 sq. m; Second floor - 1500 sq. m; First floor - 2000 aq. m; Ground floor - 2500 sq. m.





### LITERATURE STUDY 1SCIENCE CITY KOLKATA

It consists of 3 galleries one on each floor: • Illusions(Third Floor) • Power of ten (Second Floor) • Aquarium (First Floor)







#### STRUCTURE

- -The complete structure is supported on 2 concentric rows of 16 columns each.
- -The top of the atrium is tied together with steel truss and glass on top for wide expanse of light.
- -Structure is finished with stone grit all around which unifies both the buildings with the help of colour, texture and finish.

#### CIRCULATION

- -A forced circulation pattern by a unidirectional and spiral ascending circulation ramp 4.5m wide is followed throughout the exhibition area.
- -The exit is through the staircase which leads the visitor to the ground from the 1st floor.
- -The ramp is 38 m high spiral shaped and 4.5 m wide.
- -Service entry is common with the visitors entry.
- -Once the visitor has viewed the ground floor exhibits; he/she takes the elevator to the top floor at a level of 24.6 m.





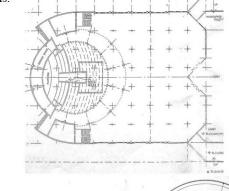


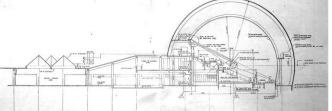
#### SPACE ODYSSEY

-The hall is approached from a common sky lit lobby.

-The hall is partially double heighted with spherical dome theatre at its end. The center of the hall contains an artificial moon surface and space science exhibits on 2m high display







#### SPACE ODYSSEY

Space Odyssey consists of:

Mirror Magic Gallery: This section of 35 exhibits explains the physical principles behind mirror images.

Space Science Gallery: This section consists of space related exhibits.





**3D Theatre:** A hall of 5.5m x 11m with a seating capacity of 50 people with 2 side aisles, wooden steps and projector room at the back. This theatre shows 3D format films.

**Space Theatre:** This is a 23m dia. dome theatre which shows films through the Astrovision 70 large format film projection system. It is a tilted dome & planetarium having a unidirectional seating arrangement for 360 people.

#### **STRUCTURE**

- -The dome of space theatre is supported on 2 concentric rows of 12 columns each, while the exhibition space consists of 30 columns in total.
- -The dome is a shell structure finished with unglazed ceramic mosaic tiles

#### EARTH EXPLORATION CENTRE

- -A permanent exhibition based on earth is housed in a two storied hemispherical building that displays the details of the southern hemisphere in the ground floor and northern hemisphere in the first floor.
- -Consists of 2 concentric rows of 12 columns each.
- -The building is fully air-conditioned and artificially lit.
- -The dome is 25m in diameter.
- -A huge Earth globe is located at the centre of the hall surrounded by multi-media presentations on all major global issues.
- -Hands on exhibits supplement the exhibition to explain various physical phenomena of the Earth.





#### **MARITIME CENTRE**

- -Maritime Centre, a permanent pavilion within Science City, depicts segments of maritime history, maritime activity and related subjects, and has been developed by in collaboration with Kolkata Port Trust.
- -It has been housed in a specially designed two storied building having a built up area of around 700 metres and it is shaped like a ship.
- -The interiors are lit by 0.5m dia. circular windows, tube lights and light bulbs.
- -This building is not air-conditioned, instead ceiling fans are provided

#### **MARITIME CENTRE**





#### **EVOLUTION THEME PARK**

-A theme park of 1300 sq. m. covering 7 large walk through ways with 71 robotic pre-historic animals and 26 dinosaurs. It portrays the story of evolution of animal life, specially the extinct species.







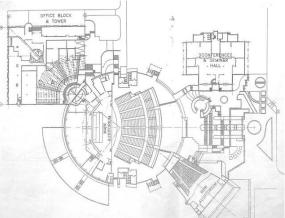
#### **SCIENCE PARK**

-In Science Park, people come closer to plants, animals and other objects in their natural surroundings and also learn about the basic principles of science in an open air learning environment. The park's interactive exhibits are engineered so as to tolerate all types of weather conditions. Spanning upto an area of 4550 sq.m., it comprises of Caterpillar Ride, Gravity Coaster, Musical Fountain, Road Train, Cable Cars, Monorail Cycle, Butterfly Nursery and several exhibits on physical and life science and a maze set up in a lush green hedges.

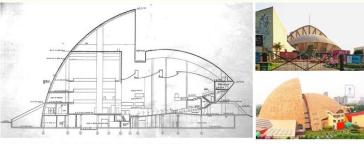
#### **CONVENTION CENTRE**

-It is self-contained complex with a capacity to host National & International conventions for about 3000 people. It comprises of: Main Auditorium, Mini Auditorium and Conference & Seminar Hall Building

-Shell structure of convention center is another structural marvel in the complex. It has massive steel structure acting as support skeleton upon which whole shell has been made. The individual structures are placed around the central plaza formed by series of steps with small water channels and connecting bridges.



#### CONVENTION CENTRE



#### MAIN AUDITORIUM

-Designed as a multipurpose hall for film festivals, performances, ballets, live orchestras etc., it is a huge auditorium of sitting capacity 2232 people & a huge stage of 27m x 16m for 100 performers with hydraulic moving platform.

Total height of this structure is 42m. The lowest ground hosts services like kitchen, canteen, ac plant etc.

-The building has 2 curved shells. Higher one houses the stage and the services whereas the lower one houses the seating and projection room. 50 green rooms each for both men and women

#### **MINI AUDITORIUM**

-The entrance foyer is made up of fibre glass sheets supported on a space frame.

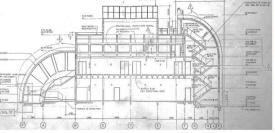
-It accommodates 392 people, meant for small audience performances including seminars and screen projections.

-Stage size 15m x 10m for about 30 performers.16 green rooms for men and 14 for women

#### **CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR HALL**

-The Seminar Hall Complex houses eight fully air-conditioned halls in two floors with a large lobby, registration counters, pantry and projection facilities.

It consists of the following number of halls:. Lecture Halls – 4 with a capacity of 96 each Lecture Halls – 2 with a capacity of 40 each Round Table – 2 with a capacity of 30 each

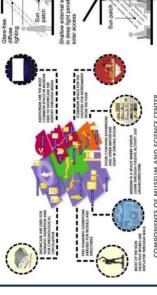




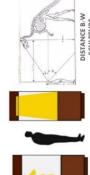
#### **INFERENCES**

-Overall zoning and segregation of entries is required for large public movement.

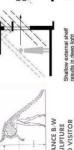
- -The complex should be unified with the help of controlled circulation.
- Circulation pattern of the main museum should be one of the major concerns.
- Landscaping plays an important role in complexes where major part of the site is left vacant/green.
- The facilities and open air exhibits should be placed such that there is a play area for children and a relief area for adults side by side.



COMPONENTS OF MUSEUM AND SCIENCE CENTER



DISTANCE B/W SCULPTURE AND VISITOR



CONFERENCE ROOM STANDARDS

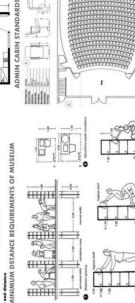


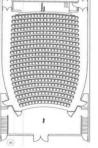
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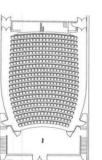


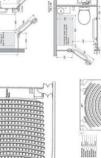
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VIEWING ANGLES TOWARDS EXHIBITION











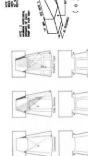


**AUDITORIUM STANDARDS** 

LIBRARY STANDARDS

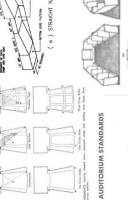
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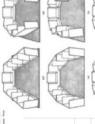
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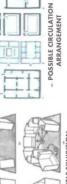


STAIRCASE WIDTH

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ACTIVITY CHART









DISPLAY TECHNIQUES IN MUSEUM AND SCIENCE CENTER

#### COURTYARD

buildings, typically located in a building's center. Modern office spaces and universities, where students and workers courtyards are an architectural feature most commonly seen in A courtyard is an open-air area surrounded by tall walls or can relax, eat, or talk to peers.

# ADVANTAGES OF COURTYARD

penetrate deep into the museum interior, reducing the need for artificial lighting during the day. This natural light can enhance the visibility of exhibits and artworks, showcasing them in a more natural setting. Additionally, courtyards can provide latural Light and Views: Courtyards allow natural light to pleasant views of outdoor greenery or architectural features, igement: Courtyards provide visitors with opportunities for relaxation, contemplation, and social interaction in a tranquil outdoor setting. This can enhance the overall visitor experience by offering moments of respite and creating a refreshing contrast to the indoor exhibition spaces. reflection amidst the museum visit.

courtyards can contribute to passive climate control strategies by allowing for natural ventilation and thermal regulation. This Integration: Courtyards contribute to the architectural design and identity of the museum, often serving as focal points that connect different parts of the building or highlight specific architectural features. They can enhance the can help reduce energy consumption for heating and cooling Control: Depending on the design and location, aesthetic appeal of the museum both internally and externally. within the museum building.





Courtyard represents the four corners of the Sri Chakra is the Yantra of the Cosmos. Universe.

-Brahmasthan is the main centre of any plot. Plot should be fixed for openspace.

 Construction in the centre of plot means blocking the main energy

### **MUGHAL GARDEN**

I have integrated a Mughal garden into my museum and science center in Agra to:

Showcase historical and cultural heritage.

Mughal ou •Offer educational opportunities architecture, horticulture, and science.

Provide a serene recreational space amidst urban

activities.

 Promote community engagement and environmental !! sustainability.



## KINETIC FACADE

or surface that is designed to move dynamically, often in response to environmental conditions such as sunlight, A kinetic facade refers to an exterior building envelope temperature, wind, or user interaction. These facades typically consist of movable components or mechanisms that allow for changing patterns, shapes, or positions.

1.Sensors: Sensors detect environmental factors like sunlight, temperature, wind speed, or user presence. The working of a kinetic facade involves:

2.Control Systems: Data from sensors is processed by

control systems, which determine how the facade 3.Actuators: Actuators are mechanisms (such as motors or pneumatic systems) that physically move or adjust should adjust.

parts of the facade.

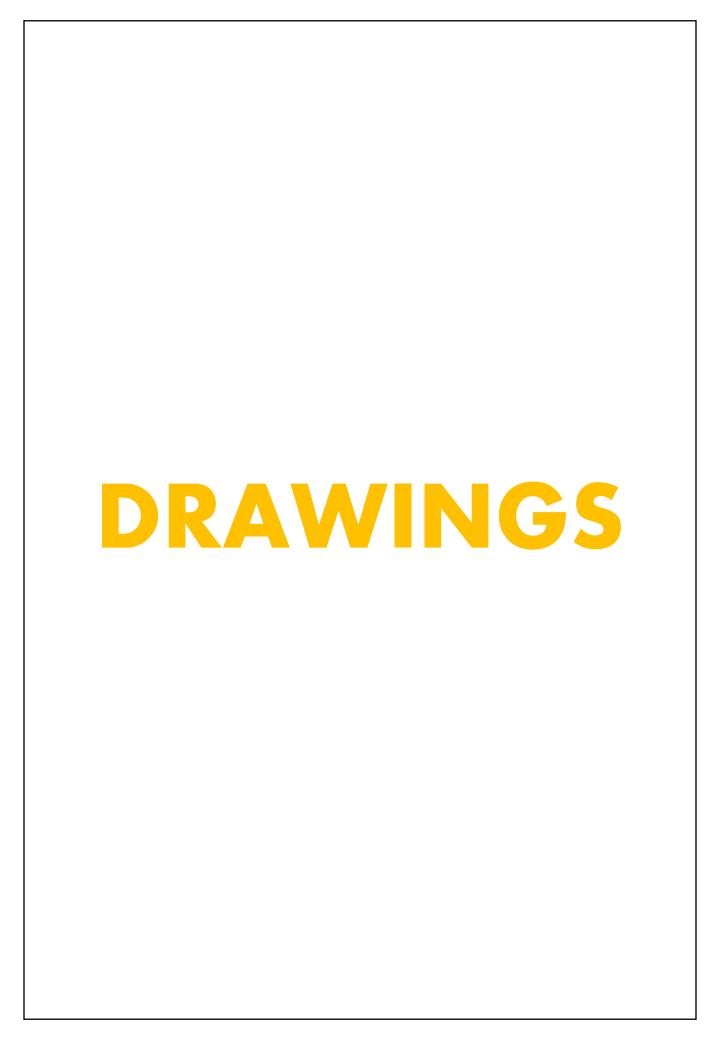
KINETIC FAÇADE IS USED

VERTICAL FOLDING

·Solar Heat Gain Control: During midday and afternoon, the south-facing facade receives direct sunlight, which can lead to overheating inside the building. The facade can fold to provide shading and reduce solar heat gain, thereby improving thermal comfort and reducing cooling energy demand.  Daylight Optimization: It can also be positioned to allow controlled daylight penetration into the building, reducing the need for artificial lighting and enhancing visual comfort for occupants.

•Afternoon Sun Control: In the afternoon, the west-facing facade is exposed to intense sunlight. Similar to the south-facing facade, it can fold to create shading and minimize solar heat gain, particularly during the hottest part of the day.

MODERN MUSEUM AND SCIENCE CENTER EXHIBITION GALLI LECTURE ROOMS COMMON AREA THEME ZONE EXHIBITION GALLERY EXHIBITION GALLER LECTURE ROOMS ADMINISTATION COMMON AREA RESTAURANT AUDITORIUM



#### AREA CHART

- RECEPTION AND ORIENTATION =55 SQMT
- INFORMATION COUNTER = 15 SQMT
  - ENTRANCE HALL = 120 SQMT
- PROJECTER ROOM =55 SQMT
  - •TOILET HE =16 SQMT
    - •TOILET SHE =16 SQMT COUNTER =32 SQMT
- SHOP 1 =15 SQMT SHOP 2 = 12 SQMT

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- LOCKER ROOM =40 SQMT
- TEMPORARY EXIBITION =270SQMT
  - FIRE FITTING ROOM= 6 SQMT
     HVAC ROOM= 20 SQMT

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ENTRANCE HALL = 120 SQMT

**AREA STATEMENT** 

GROUND COVERAGE -25 % (PERMISSIBLE)

F.A.R. (PERMISSIBLE) -1

SET BACKS -FRONT SIDE AND REAR

SITE AREA - 25050 SQ M

**KEY PLAN** 

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EXHIBITION GALLERY- 2200 SQMT

AUDITORIUM - 500 SQMT RESTAURANT - 626 SQMT

O.A.T - 614 SQMT

GROUND FLOOR PLAN

SCALE - 1:100

NOTE : -ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN MM.

THESIS GUIDE -AR. ANSHU RASTOGI

SIGN OF GUIDE

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TOTAL COVERED AREA- 6243 SQMT

SERVICES ROOM =80 SQMT

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SECURITY ROOM= 35 SQMT

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SECURITY OFFICE=15 SQMT

- MANAGER ROOM WITH P.A.= 40SQMT
  - CURATOR"S OFFICE =32SQMT
    - •TOILET SHE =16 SQMT TOILET HE =16 SQMT

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- EMERGENCY MEDICAL AID =20 SQMT
  - MEDICAL STORE =20 SQMT
    - RESTAURANT= 626 SQMT
       KITCHEN =100 SQMT

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AUDITORIUM =430 SQMT
 CHANGING ROOM MEAE =20 SGMT
 CHANGING ROOM FEMALE =20 SGMT
 TOILET =12 SGMT

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Name of

- **ENTRANCE HALL OF**
- AUDITORIUM =133 SQMT
- HISTORY PERIOD OF CITY(1475-1526) EXHIBITION
   640 SQMT
- TOILET HE = 16 SQMT
- HISTORY PERIOD OF CITY(1526-1545) EXHIBITION 460 SQMT •TOILET SHE =16 SQMT
  - HISTORY PERIOD OF CITY(1545-1628) EXHIBITION
  - 630SQMT
- FIRE FITTING ROOM= 10 SQMT
   HVAC ROOM= 25 SQMT • MATERIAL ROOM =75 SQMT
  - SERVICES ROOM =75 SQMT
    - LOBBY =310 SQMT













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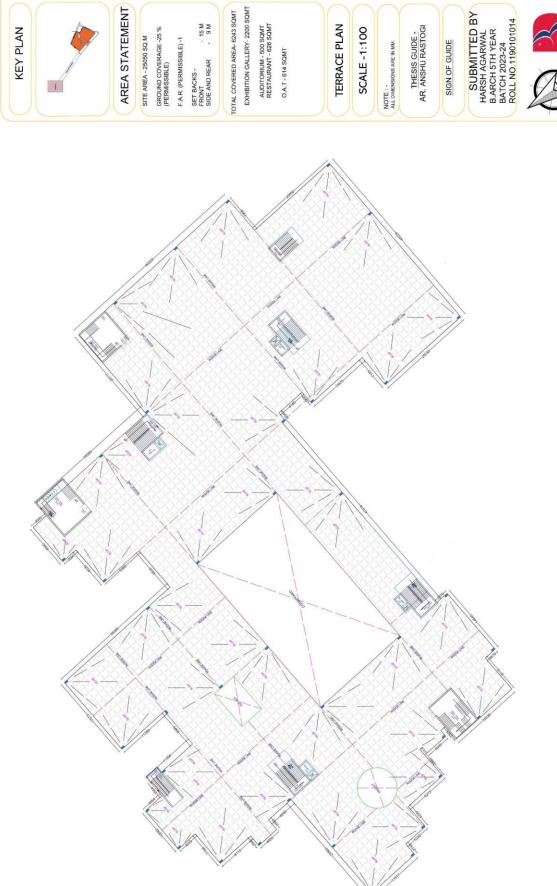
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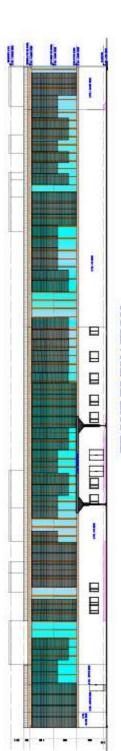
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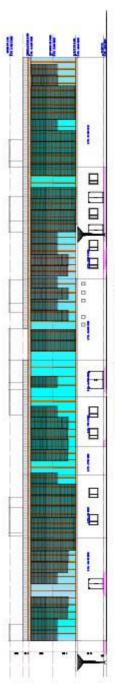
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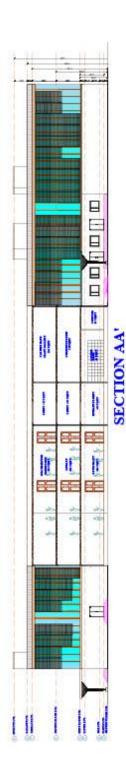


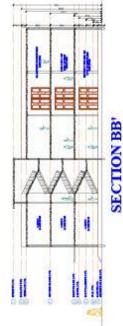
KEY PLAN

## FRONT ELEVATION



# LEFT SIDE ELEVATION





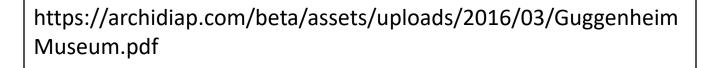
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