



REMODELLING OF HOUSE IN NORTHERN KOLKATA



▲ Our Site
A small house near Sitala Mandir, Bhuvan Sarani (College Street)



► The Neighborhood
Sitala Mandir serves as a landmark for the house.
Neighborhood consists of small houses clustered around common spaces



▲ The houses
A two-storied structure surrounded by other buildings



▲ Common Area Enclosed By Surrounding Houses

◀ Alley Leading to Entrance

COMMUNAL SPACES
A PROMINENT FEATURE OF THE
NEIGHBORHOOD AND THE HOUSE



▼ Common Courtyard inside House

Concept

WHAT WE HAVE:

A small house with tiny rooms and few areas for communal use

WHAT WE PLAN TO TURN IT INTO:

A backpackers' hostel and a small restaurant on the rooftop.
Because:

1. The house is located in the heart of the city and backpackers can get a sense of Kolkata here.
2. The space is ideal for a low-budget accommodation (as opposed to a hotel).
2. It evokes an informal atmosphere, ideal for those who do not enjoy the formality of hotels.
3. The rooftop can be covered and converted into a small restaurant (which may serve breakfast to backpackers).



Existing bedrooms to be turned into guest rooms for 3-4 people



Existing Roof Structure



Keep guest rooms overlooking courtyard for more sociable feeling



Maintain existing iron balustrade as well as wooden jalousie windows (characteristic of North Kolkata)

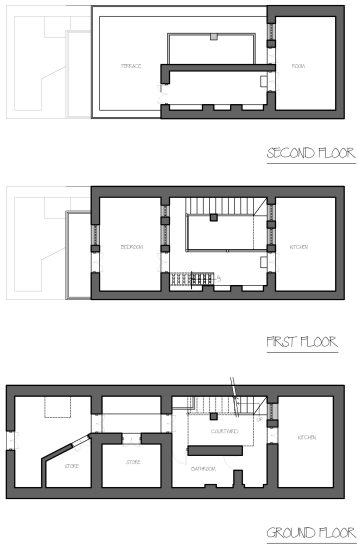


Utilize balcony to connect to rooftop

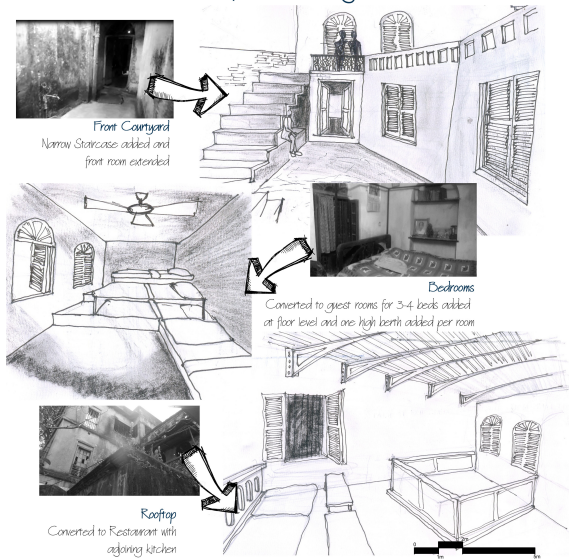
Required changes:

1. Change existing connection to rooftop.
2. Accommodate a caretaker's room within design.
3. Create more spaces ideal for sitting down.
4. Build bunk beds or berths to increase the number of backpackers per room.
5. Make provisions for bathrooms.

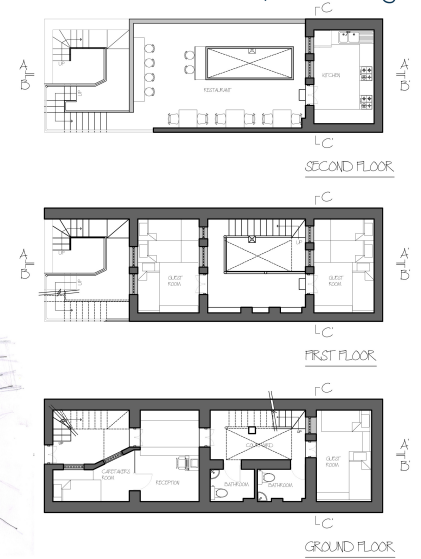
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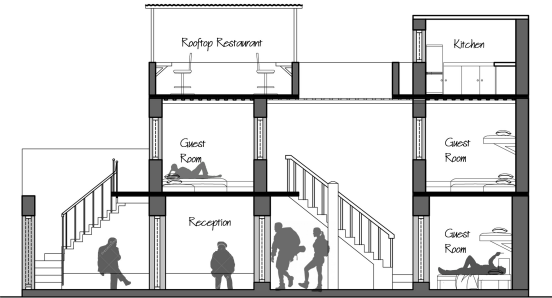
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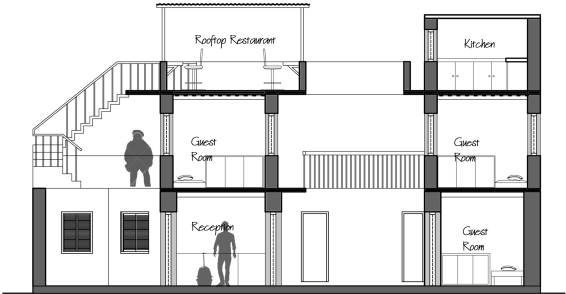
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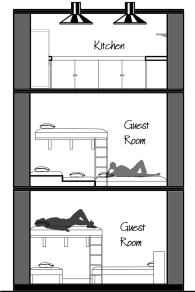
Post-Remodelling Sections



SECTION A-A'



SECTION B-B'



SECTION C-C'

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