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Client: Levana Hospitality LLP / Project Location: Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh, India / Built-up Area: 3500 sq mtr

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Principal Architects: Beyond Green, Ahmedabad and Sanghi (Architecture, Landscaping and Lighting design);
Hilal Jabbala Studio, Mumbai (Interiors and Interior Lighting design).
Other Consultant: Design Gravas, Lucknow (Structural Consultant);
Dnyanprakash Advertising Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai (Project Graphics and Creative).



BEYOND GREEN
Landscaping, Architecture & Urban Structure
Beyond Green
Location: Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India
Tatyasaheb Patel Marg, Maheshwari, India
Website: www.beyondgreen.in
Designer Incharge- Jignoy Suvarnigeni & Rucha Nangre
Design Team- Sagar Prajapati



HJS
HILAL JABBALA STUDIO

Hilal Jabbala Studio

Location: Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
Website: www.hilaljabbala.com
Designer Incharge- Hilal Jabbala
Design Team- Pratik Mehta

COMPANY PROFILE

Under the leadership of Mr. Hilal Jabbala, the studio was established on the principles of continuous evolution and logical clarity. A boutique studio, HJS Studio has a broad and varied experience in modern home interiors, private residential homes and commercial projects across India which translates into catering to a mixed set of clients. HJS Studio follows a step program, which starts with the client's brief, innovation in both design and execution of materials, constructability and budgets are carefully resolved and refined in a cost effective solution that seeks to engage human perception. This results in sensually touched designs that speak of intimacy and identity all at once. The deep expertise of the studio is translated into each design they undertake, making their projects stand out.



Hotel Levana Suites

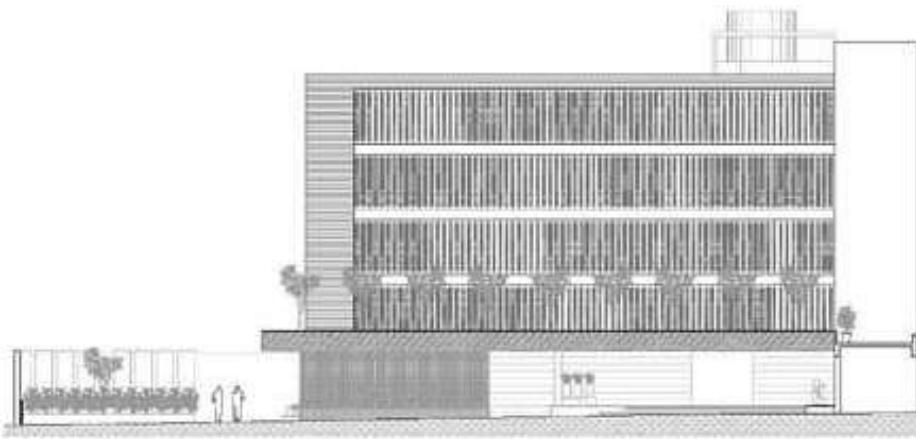
The idea behind the facade was to explore the stories behind the local Indian woods in staining patterns which translates into the jail bars—the stand-out feature of the hotel.

OVERVIEW

Essentially the brief dictated a refurbishment project where the skeleton framework of the commercial building was kept intact and converted to a boutique hotel. The existing commercial building had more of a box character which was in contrast to the end user then. The aim was to change the box-like character of the facade while maintaining the comfort of the users. For this, the initial planning involved the facade to be divided into three large floor plates almost like four rectangles stacked on one over the other. The Jali was then vertical louvers which connected the two floor plates. The intent was to convert the large facade of the hotel into sun shading devices with louvers, further to break the monotony of large surfaces of louvers they were split into three equal parts each infected differently in reference to the interior of the rooms and the principles of partial covered sky landscape which one could frame. This in turn casted soft shadows and made the hotel facade feel like an organic structure. The facade being in the city of Nawabs had to be like a "GLOW BOX" where the permeability of light both of which were used in facade and also from the rooms creating a raw factor.



The flourishing large tree in the corner seeded the idea of creating graphical metal versions which have been installed against the Peridiso clad compound wall.



FRONT ELEVATION



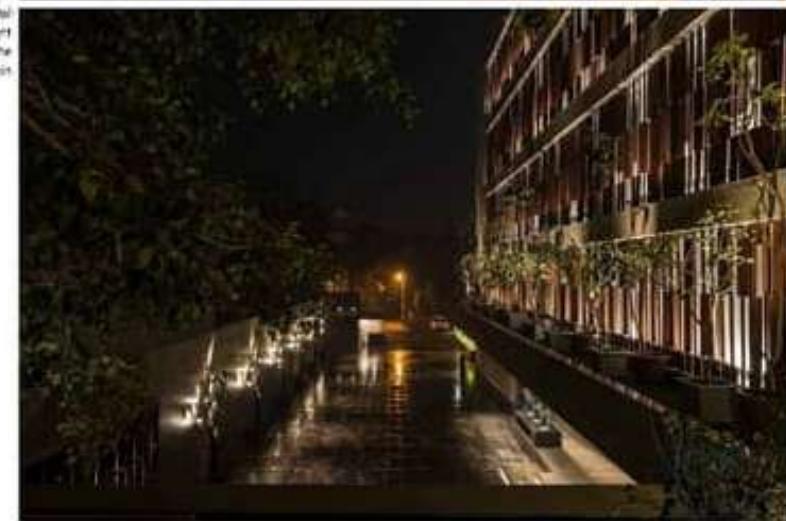
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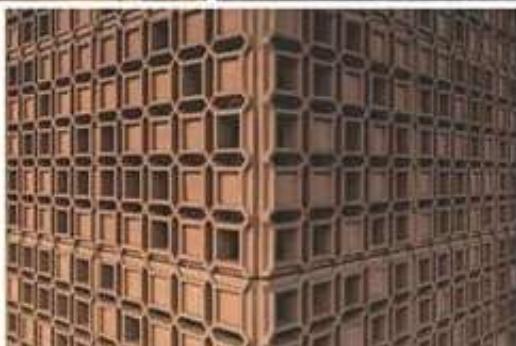
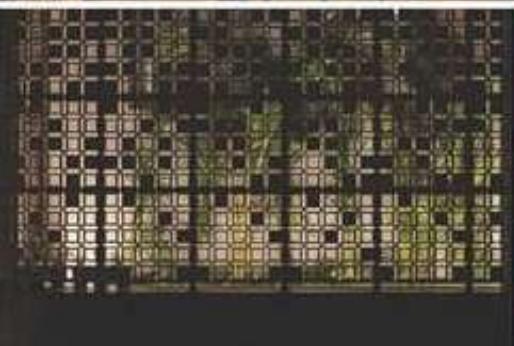
The permeable elevation treatment allows light from the facade and internal spaces to spill out, creating a delicately-wired light-box effect, so fitting for the City of Dreams.

The building seems to be floating when seen from neighboring trees.

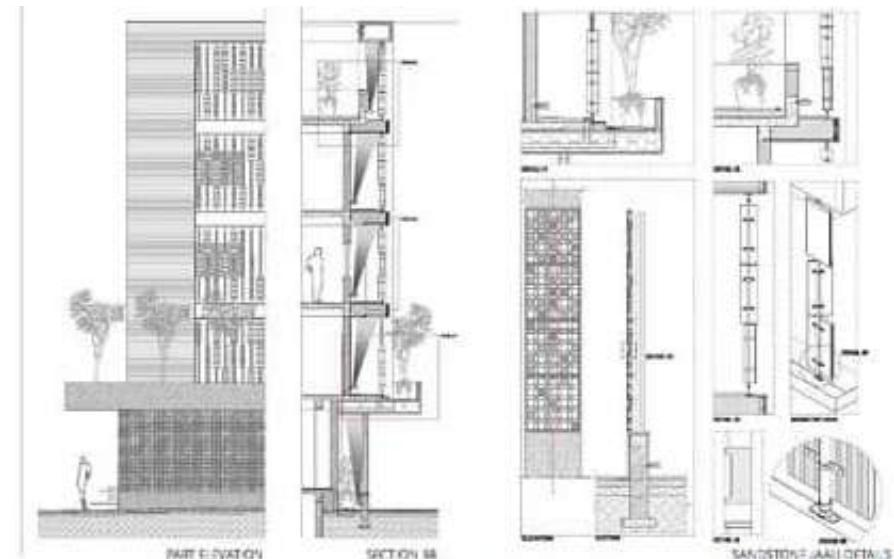


The cantilevering trees, one metal other natural, at two different planes as one sees from the building trees towards the main gate.





The lower-level is accented by one storey of entrance plazas and rises toward the hotel; the split-Panveli also add another dimension to the facade. The metal trees also function as lighting installation. The copper-heart fittings fit to the driveway, while others with magnifying glasses create virtual waves for the MS trees at night. The delicate sandstone tiles which has been lacquered by carbon embroidery allows the facade to stand out, varying the thickness engendered an interesting yet design and perforated effect. The Red Sandstone wall, carved for different thickness forms one of the main features of the facade design.



The coarse restaurant is a blend of contemporary and new classical elements and clusters at the rear deck adding a virtue to the space.



The ceiling of the reception desk area uses delicately folded, blues painted metal in metallic finish. The wall adjacent to the door to the guest room is clad in veneer that is etched with undulating lines that echo the pattern of carpet with signage hanging along the wall. The guest rooms are spacious, almost suite like, therefore the name of hotel. The curved walk with the red carpet ceiling creates a sense of mystery because of its curved shape.



The corridors on the guest floor are carefully designed with attention to detail.



Walkway connects the cubicles having different seating composition facing towards guest rooms. The elevated silent DJ Gallery box with its changing colors indicates the music which is at its peak.





The cubicles, with bamboo screening, are set against the vast expanse of sky as its background.



Private cubical with tensile and the tip of bamboo create a sense of green enclosure.



GROUND FLOOR PLAN

LEGENDS

GROUND FLOOR PLAN

1. MAIN ENTRANCE
2. ARRIVAL PLAZA
3. STONE WALL WITH LIGHTS
4. ENTRANCE DOOR WITH FLORAL DISPLAY LIGHT
5. SCULPTURE
6. THINWALL WITH LIGHT
7. MURAL TREE INSTALLATION WITH LIGHT FIXTURES
8. CAR PARKING
9. DESTYL TREE
10. RECEPTION AND LOBBY
11. RESTAURANT
12. SALON ENTRANCE
13. BAR/WIFI PRIVATE DINING
14. OPEN KITCHEN
15. LIFT LOBBY
16. KITCHEN
17. PANTRY & CHILLER ROOM
18. ROOM SERVICE
19. PANTRY
20. MAIN STORE
21. UTILITY BLOCK
22. WASHROOMS

TERrace FLOOR PLAN

1. LIFT LOBBY
2. BOOK CABINET
3. INDOOR BAR
4. ENTRANCE TO THE TERRACE
5. FIREPLACE WITH LOGWOOD
6. SEATING POINT
7. THEMATIC PLANTING
8. CANNONA WITH OFFSHORE SEATING LOCUTUS
9. OPEN SEATING WITH PROJECTION SCREEN
10. OUTDOOR AM
11. STA. CASE TO ELEVATED DR BOX
12. DR BOX ABOVE
13. METAL SCREENING WITH PLANTER



TERFACE FLOOR PLAN

Materials

Flooring: Parquet Giove with Honed, Blue and Mirror polish finishes
Wall Cladding: Ondolite on Hotel facade at Ground Floor; Sauer Marble Honed French Brown Italies Marbre

Islab Red Agate Sandstone

Red Floor: Teak wood natural fibre composite with M.S. Frame structure

Light Fixtures: Mostly customized and Guzzini, Italy

Furniture/Decor: Mostly customized

Others: The art sculpture M.S. Customized with Automotive paint and integrated lighting with magnifying lens