“Green spaces” – Office building for Kalptaru builders

Location: Nasik, Maharashtra
Site Area: 283 Sq.m.
Built up area: 253 sq m
Typology: Commercial
SVA GRIHA rating: 4 star

The following strategies were adopted to reduce the building impact on the natural environment:

**Landscape**
- Almost 55% of the total open area on site is soft paved and/or shaded under trees.
- No trees were cut during construction of the building.

**Energy**
- Building envelope and layout is designed to enhance natural ventilation inside the building.
- Over 94% of total living area falls under daylit zone.
- Fenestration design of the building reduces the direct incident heat penetration by about 48%, compared to SVAGRIHA base case for Nashik
- Lighting power density is 4.01 W/sq.m.
- Solar photovoltaic panels of size 1kWp have been installed at the office.
- All air-conditioning systems, fans and geysers comply with at least BEE 4-star efficiencies.

**Water and waste**
- Use of low-flow fixtures reduces the building water demand by almost 66% compared to SVAGRIHA base case.
- Rainwater storage tank of 65000 litre capacity has been installed on site to capture and utilize rainwater.

**Materials**
- Use of low-VOC and lead free paints helps in maintaining good indoor air quality.
- Over 75% of interior finishes are low-energy like rough granite stone, plywood etc.

**Lifestyle**
- There is provision for basic amenities like grocery store, pharmacy etc. in vicinity of the project.

**Integrated Design Team:**
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