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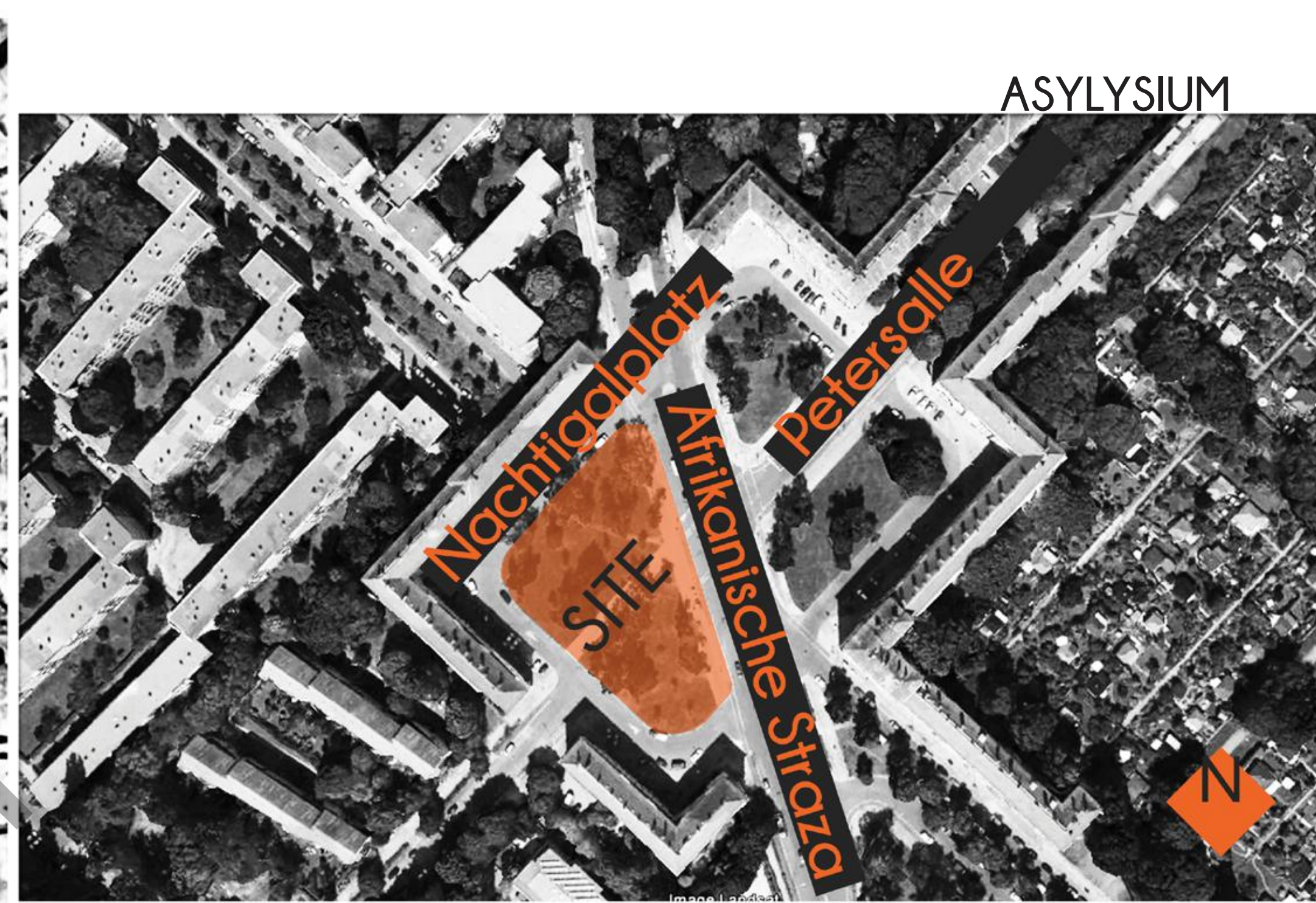
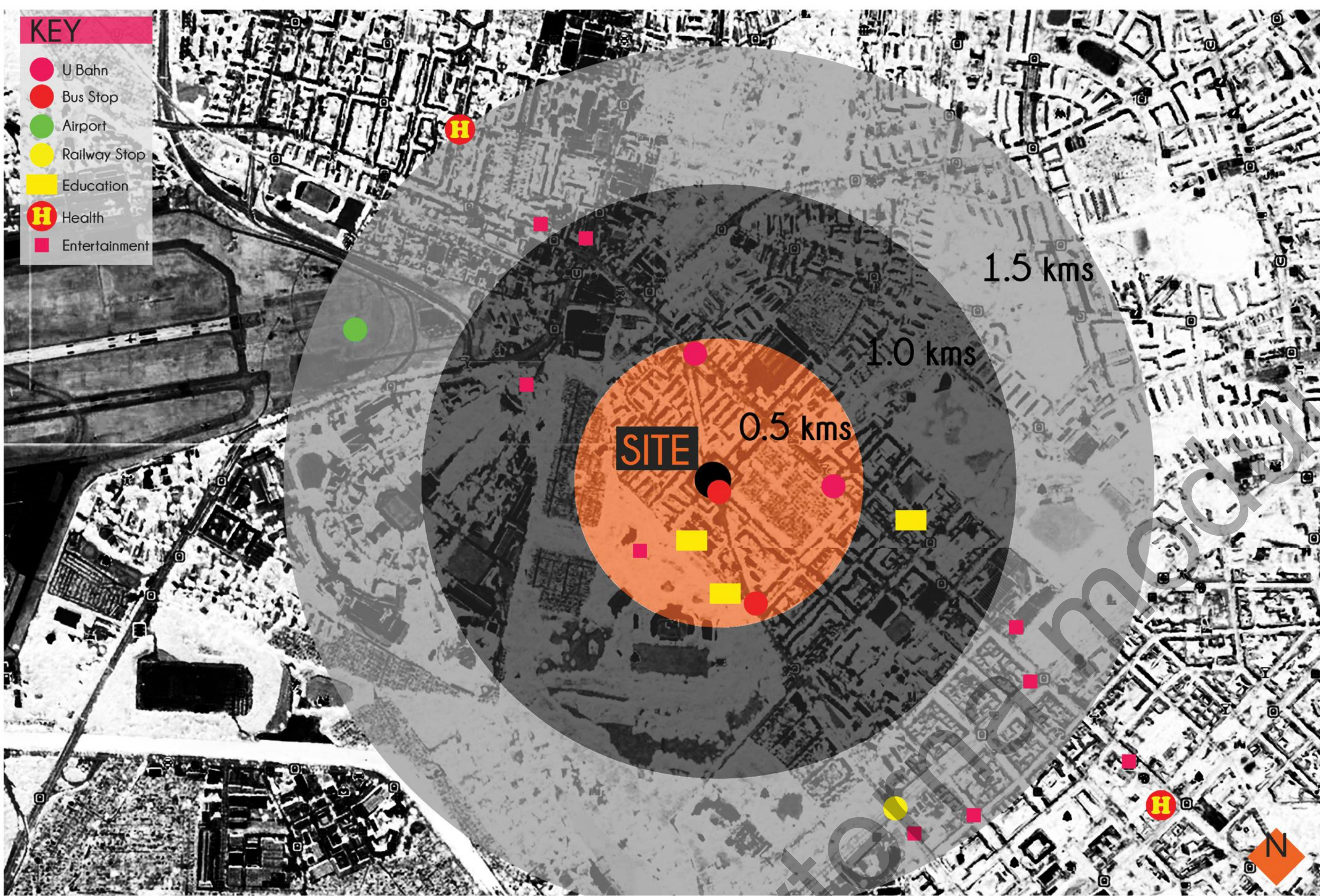
asylees are the persons who are unwanted
or unwilling to go back to their own country....

elysium is is a conception of the afterlife
that developed over time and was maintained
by certain Greek religious and philosophical
sects and cults...



Germany out of France, Finland, Lithuania, Norway, and Sweden because of the sheer number of Asylees they've and they take in. In last year of 2014, they had 2,02,645 number of Asylees (according to Eurostat ,online data codes: migr_asyappctza and migr_asyunaa). This was last year, well given the current population of Germany which is 80 million the figures heard is they'll be accepting 1.5million asylum seekers THIS year ALONE.

Berlin was Selected as it is the Capital City/State of Germany. The purpose is simple, if the Heart of the Country accepts the coming tycoon the whole Country will do so as well. But selecting Wedding and the Site was pretty tricky. The next segment has a Site Analysis and Concept Formulation



ASYLYSIUM

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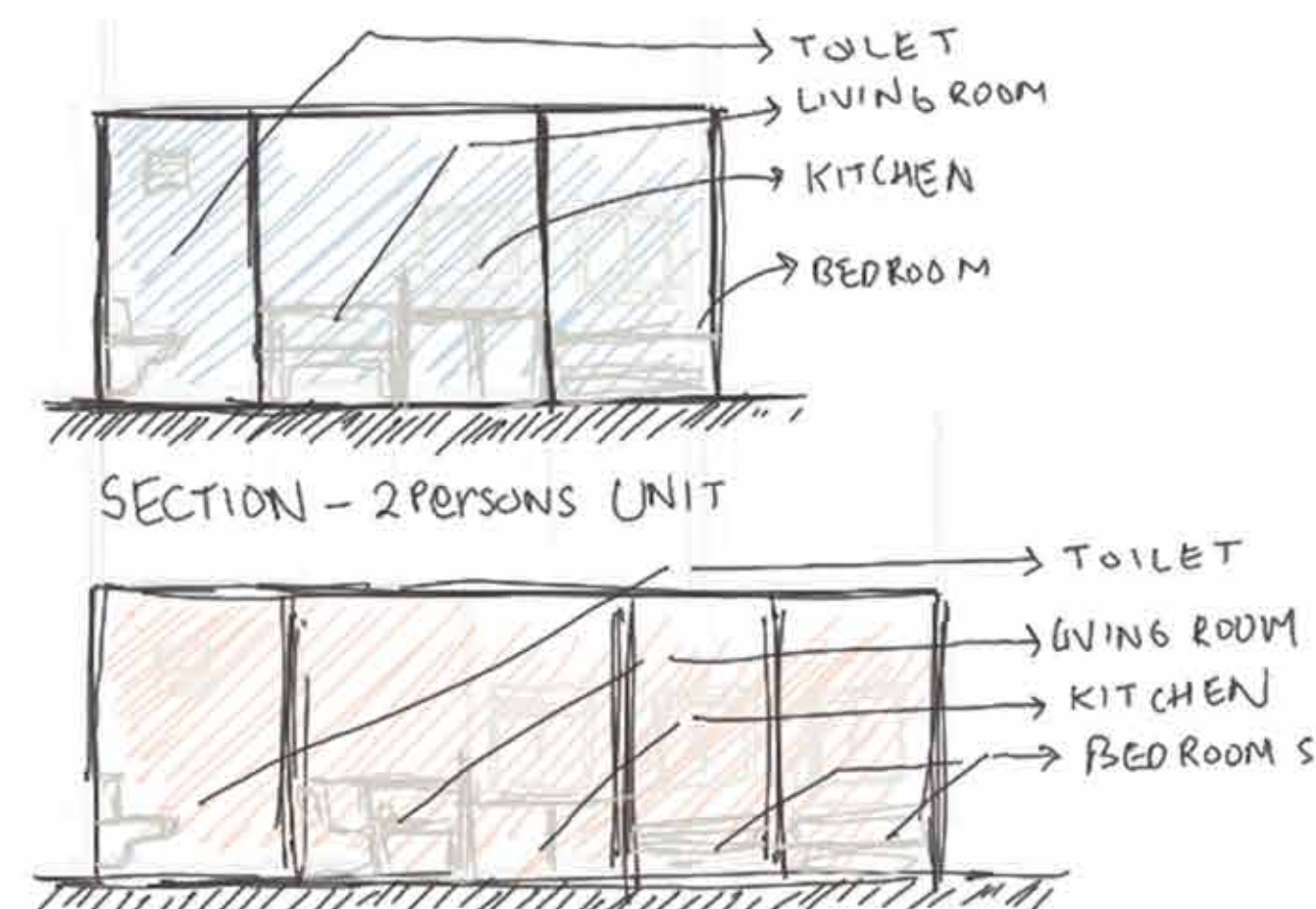
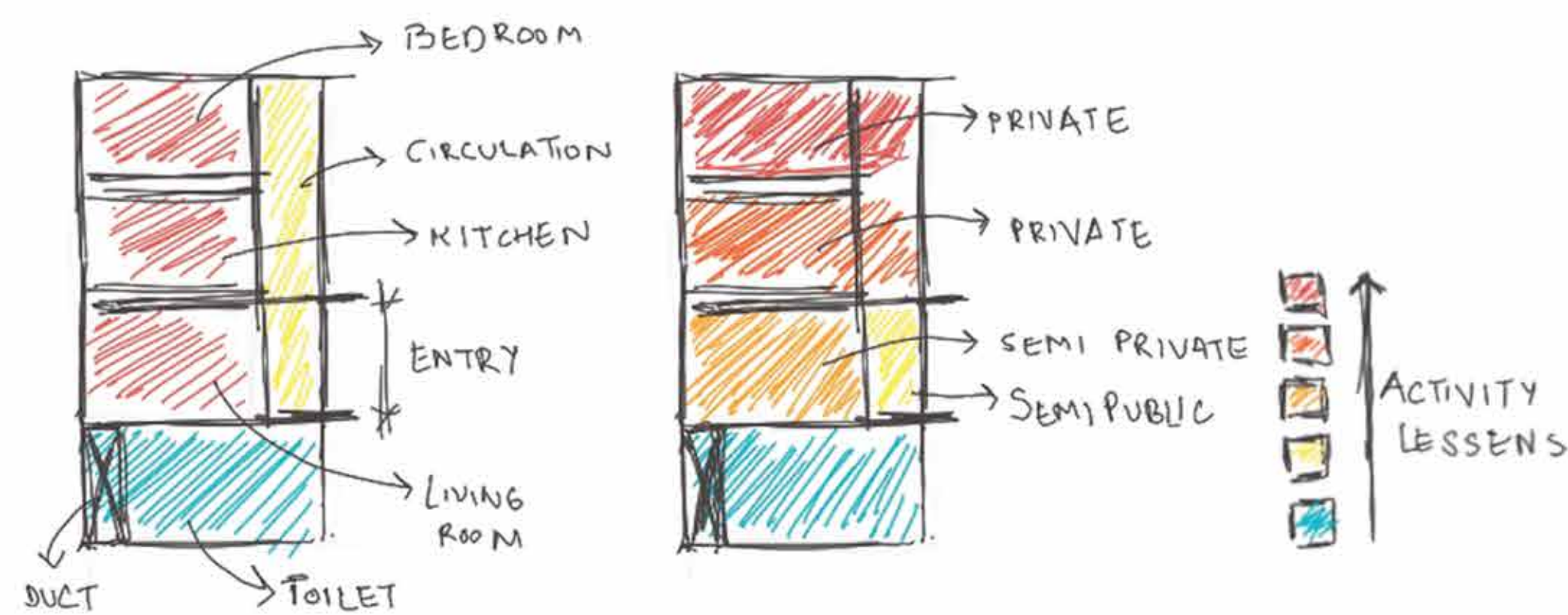
The Site was Strategically selected in such a way that it shouldn't lack out of Transportation, Education, Health, Food, Sports, or even on Entertainment. The site has everytthing within 1.5kms radius, U Bahn stops, bus stops, aiport, railways stops and all the other infrastructures for other departments. And in 2kms radius a Landmark and many more things also gets included. So, the site is a very Connected and Resourceful. The Major Concept was simple, to not Seclude them from other citizens of the country but still let the citizens keep an eye on the Asylees. The reason and explanation as to why such an already Densed area and Why Removing Garden and putting the ASYLYSIUM there will be done in the next segment of Concept Formulation.

Site Area: 3900 sqm || Site Location: Afrikanische Straza and Nachtigalplatx garden, Wedding, Berling, Germany || Site Geometry: Triangular || Function: Housing for Asylees ||

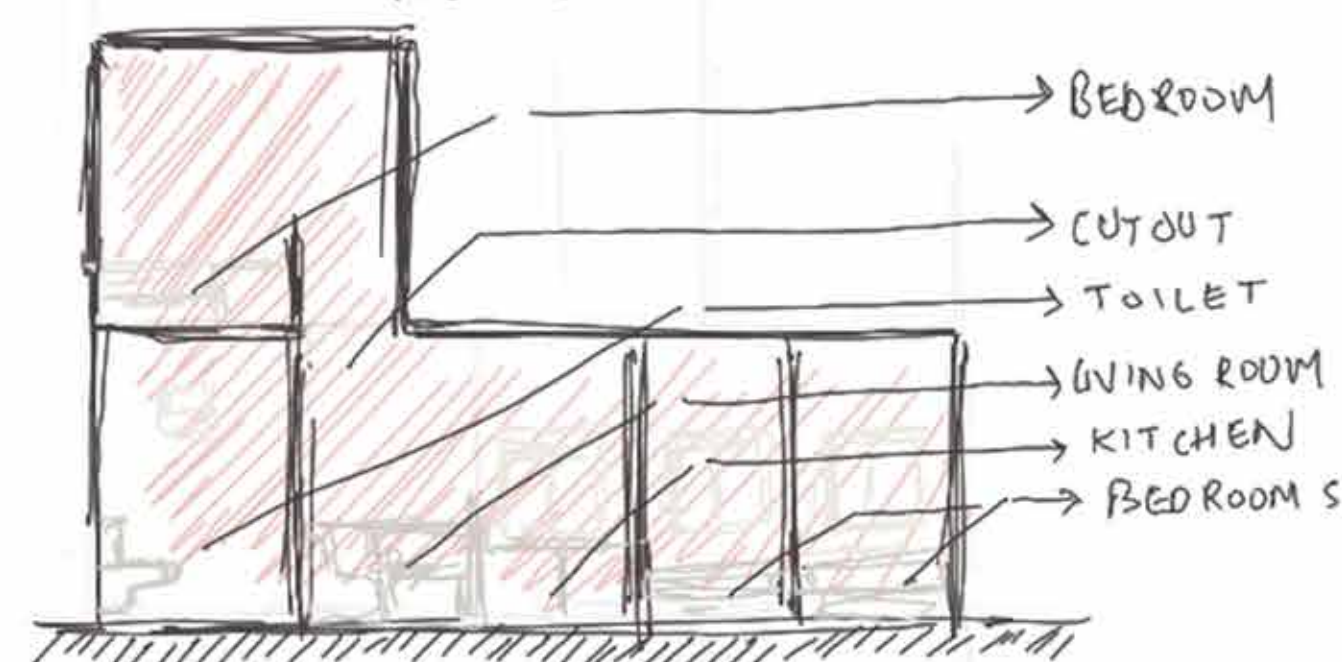


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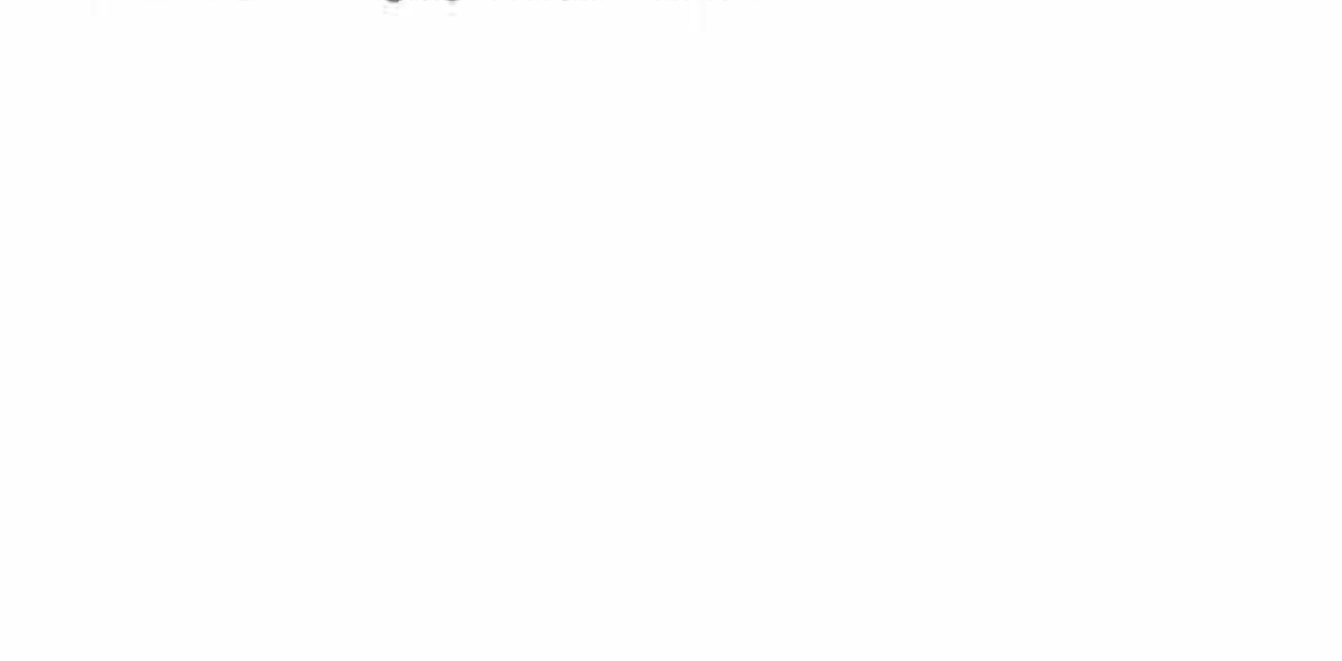
The idea or concept EVOLVED out of NECCESSITY. Asylees are that section of the society which needs attention, and care more than any citizen of any country. But what usually happens is people neglect them and or harass them considering them a BURDEN. So, the Site usually is Selected CHEAP and hence most of the times the Site has poor connectivity and resources. What is done here is totally OPPOSITE. I selected a Site which has best Connectivity, and the Best location around. But of course as I said Asylees need proper Care and Attention so planning a housing for them isn't a Simple and Ordinary task. After a lot of thinking, what I concluded is Let's give Asylees te Best location but let's not just give to the Asylees but the residents or Citizens as well. Because they are equally or more important than Asylees.



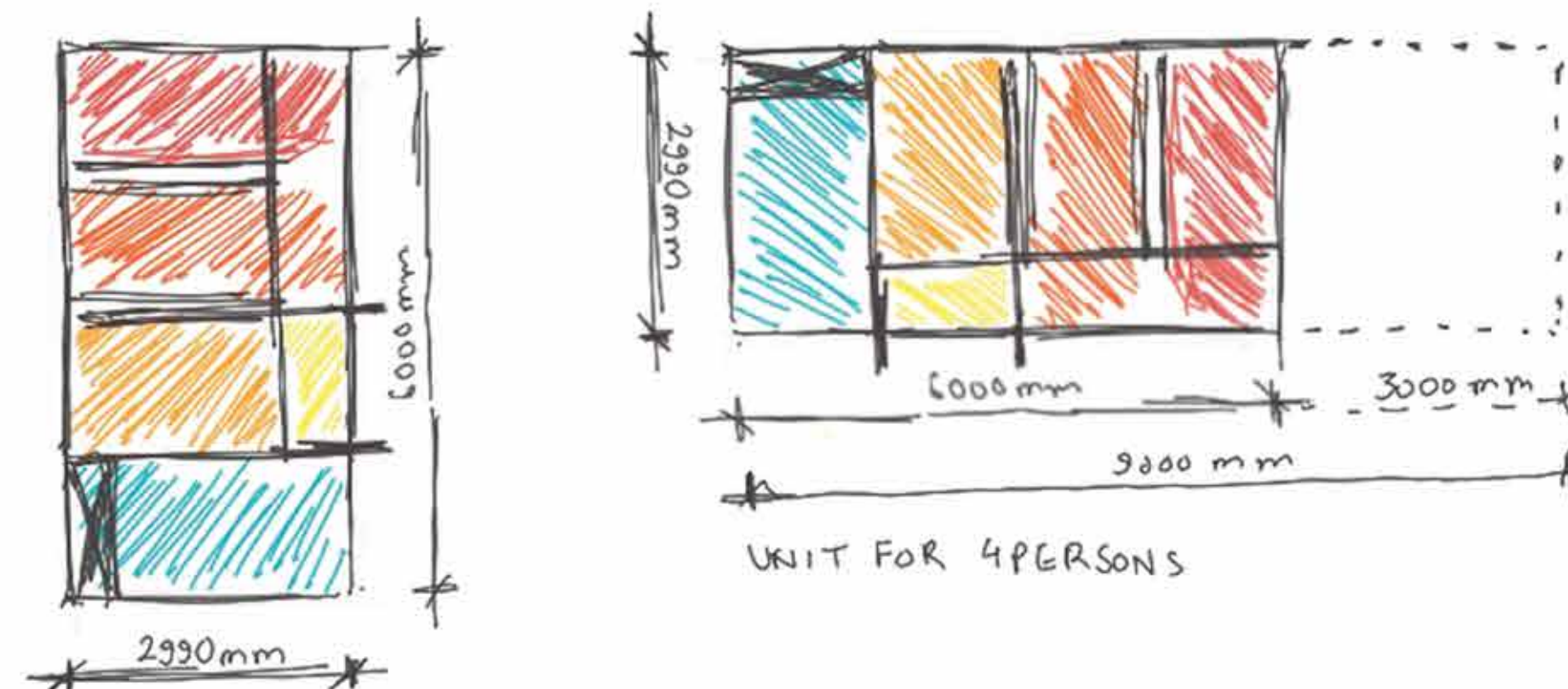
SECTION - 2 PERSONS UNIT



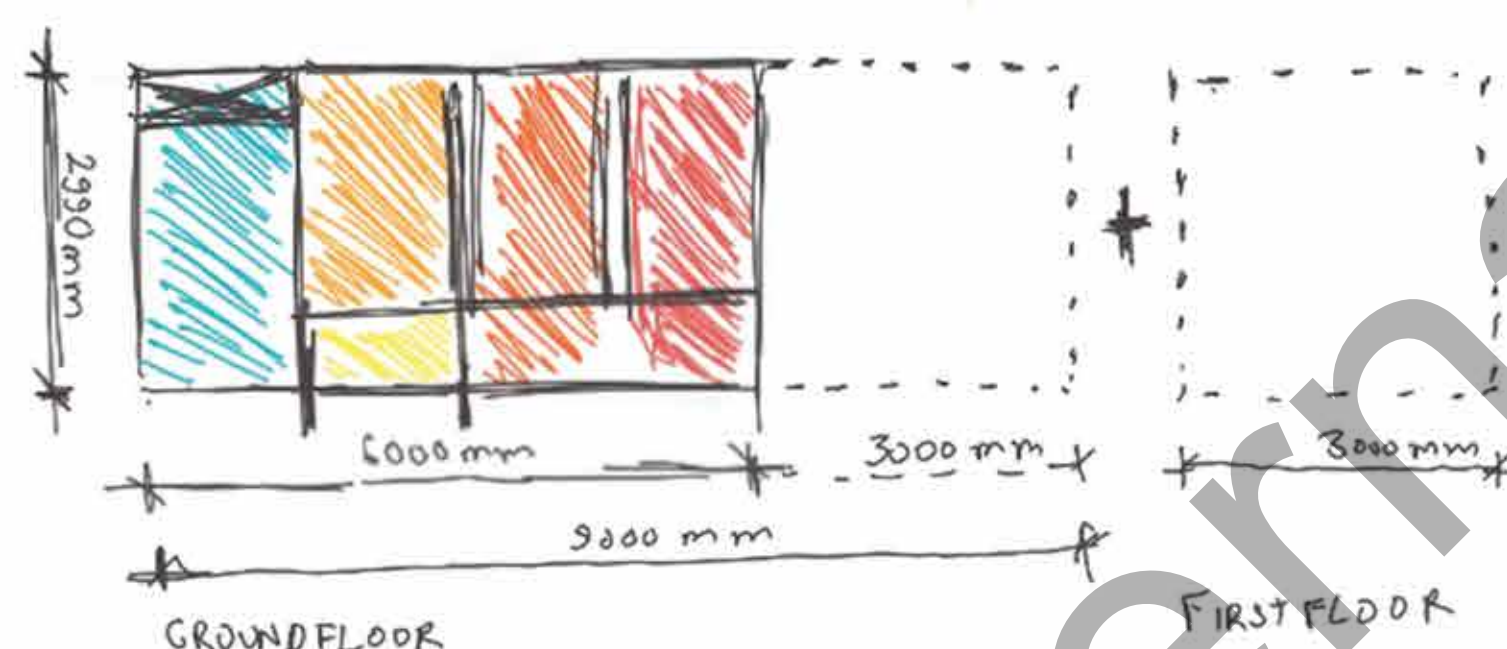
SECTION - 4 PERSONS UNIT



SECTION - 5 PERSONS UNIT



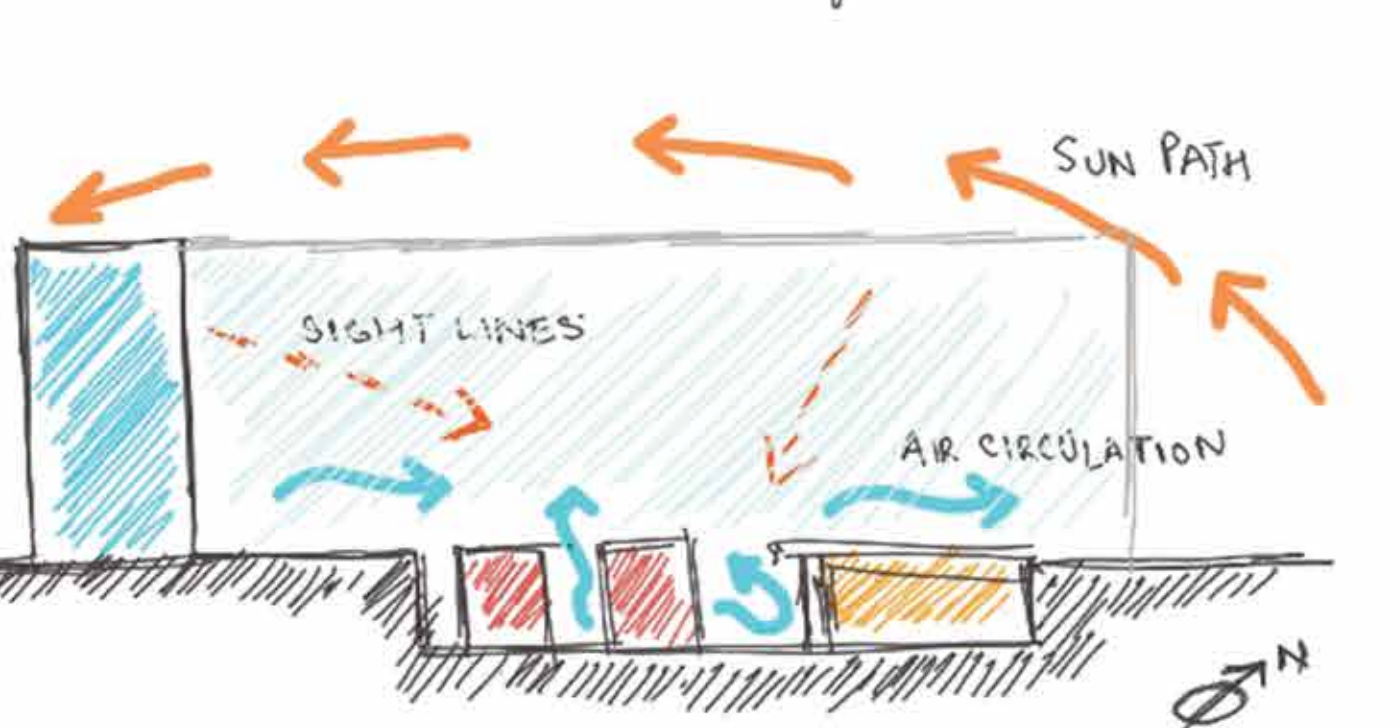
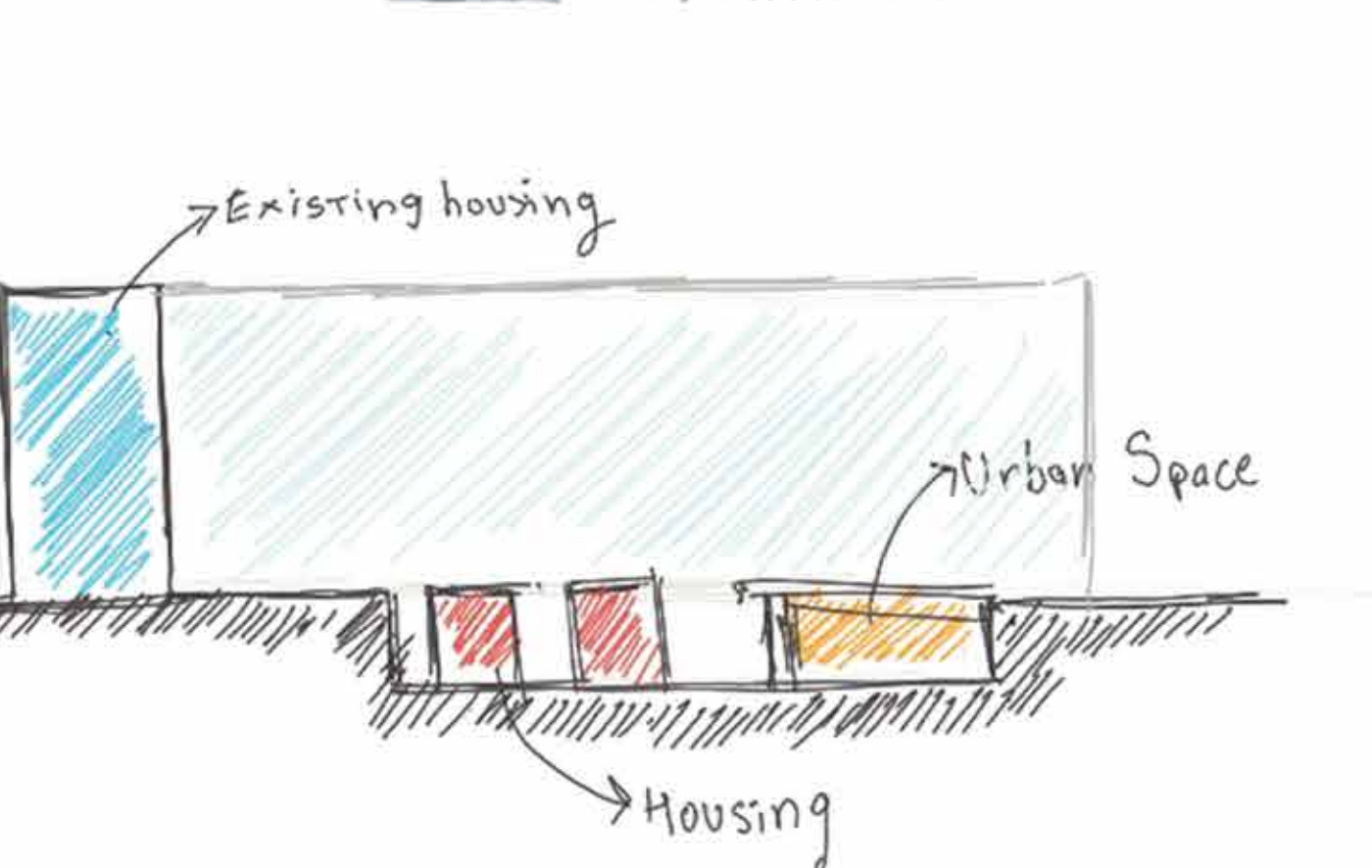
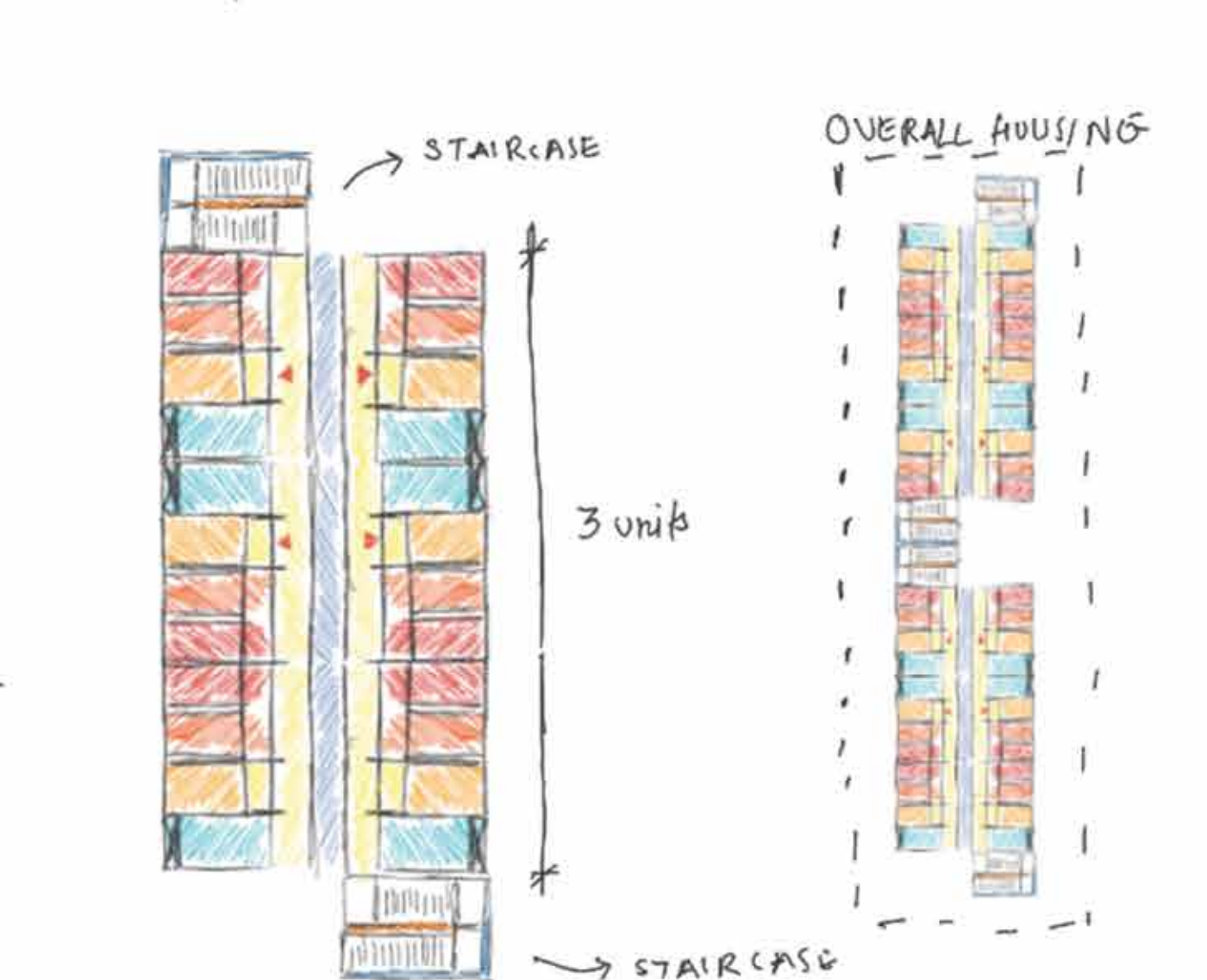
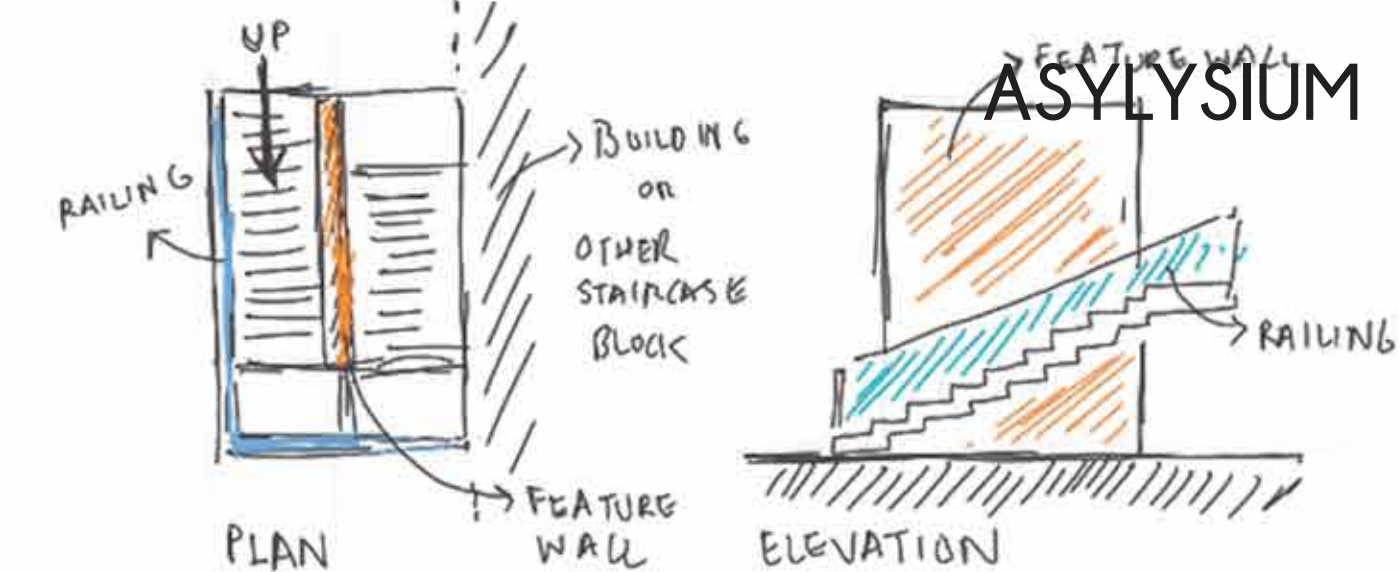
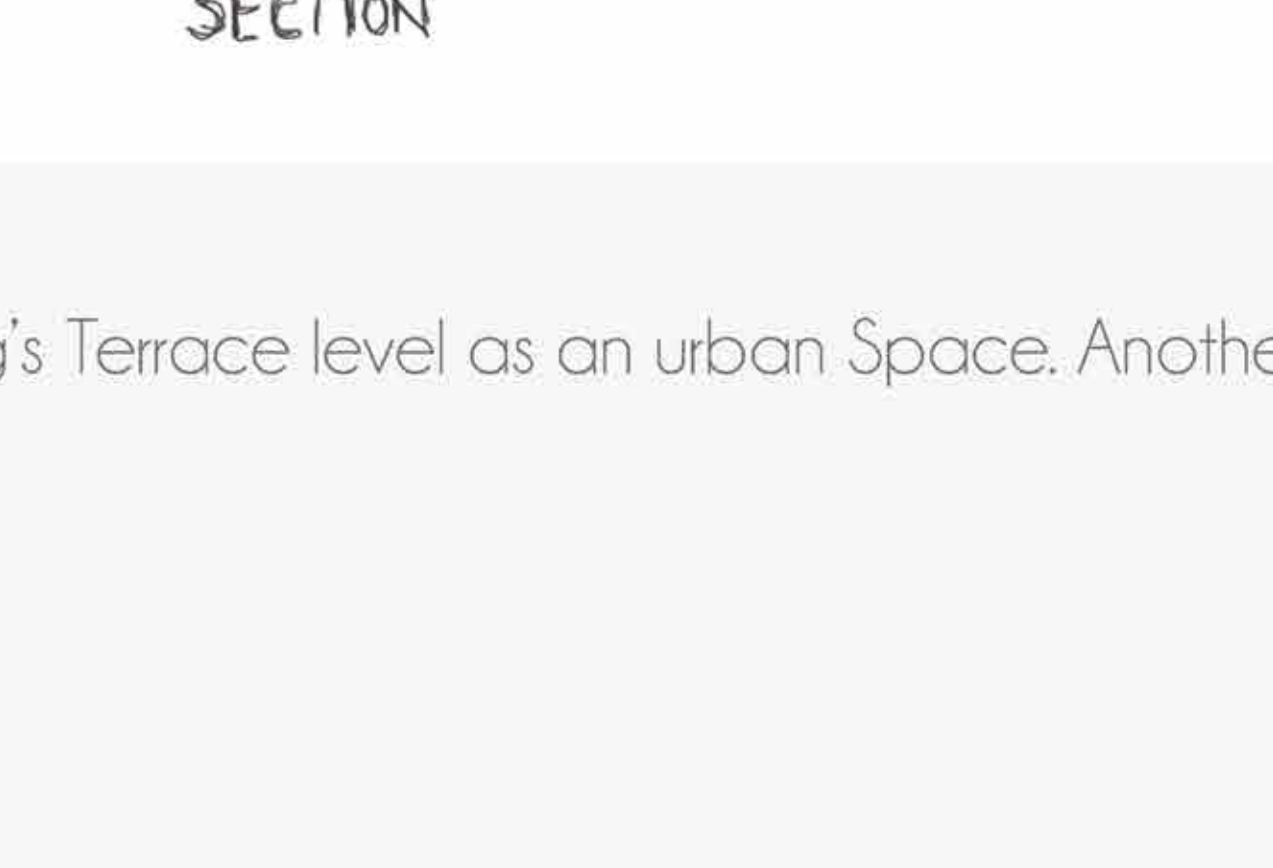
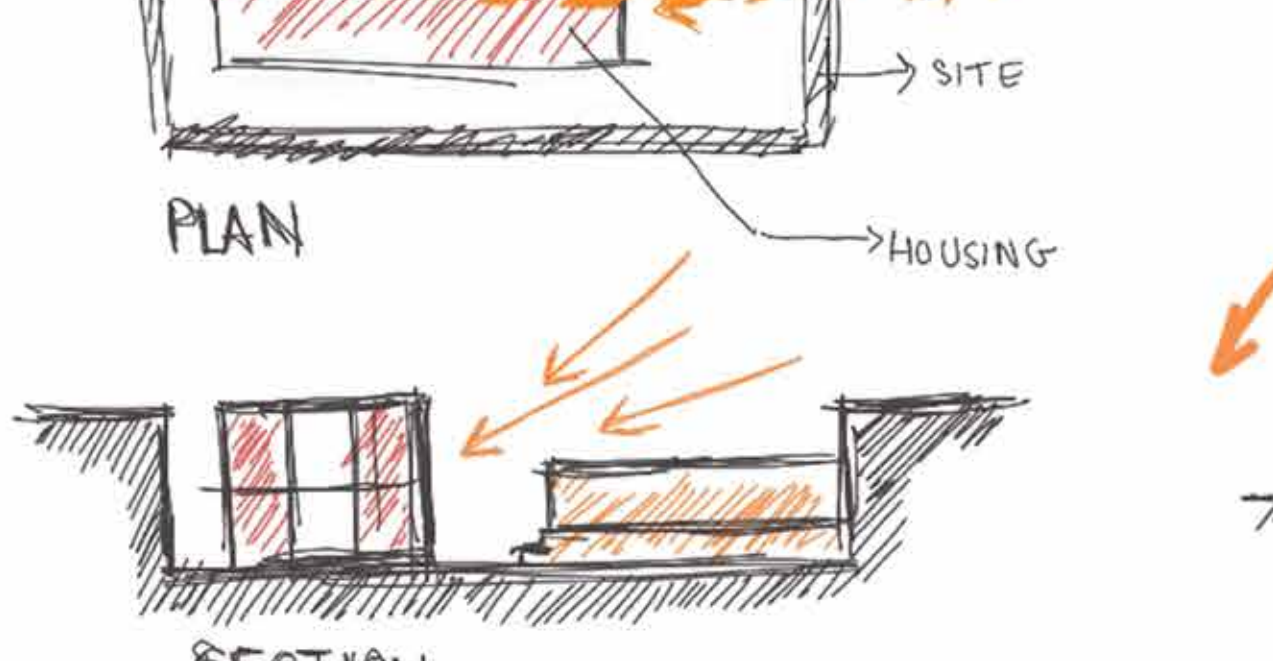
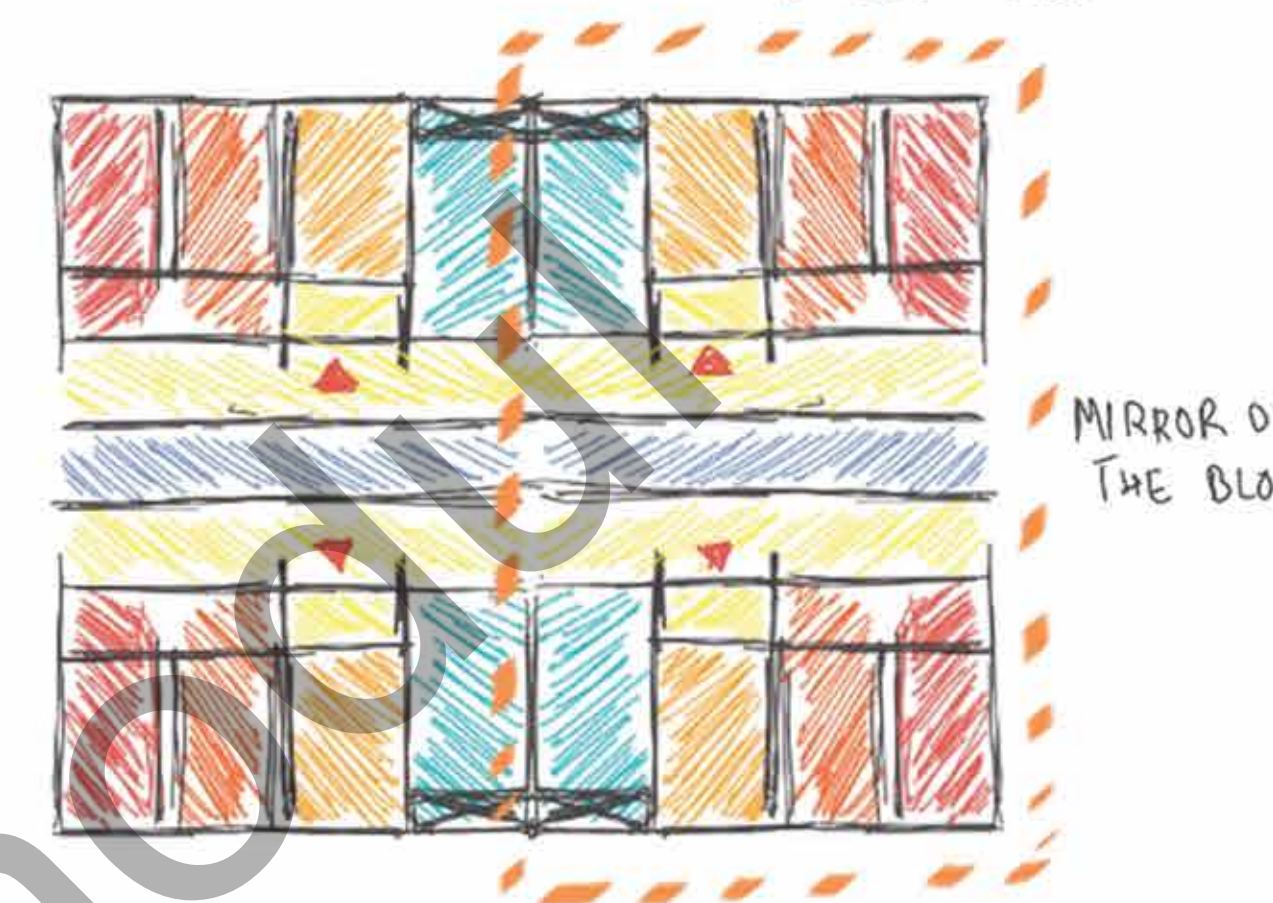
UNIT FOR 2 PERSONS



GROUND FLOOR
UNIT FOR 4 PERSONS



UNIT FOR 5 PERSONS



So, the Concept/idea is this:

Let's take the Housing Underground, and Select an Urban Site such as a Garden and Convert the Housing's Terrace level as an urban Space. Another point was, Asylees are an EXTRA, so let's not disturb what is already there, i.e. Citizens, instead DESIGN such a way that

1. Asylees get their OWN private housing with a huge space for Market/Urban Pocket
2. Let's give or UTILIZE the Terrace of the housing as an URBAN space for the Citizens as well as Asylees.
3. Let's not change the ELEVATION of the EXISTING surroundings.
4. EXTEND the EXISTING footpath and provide DECKS for VIEWING the wonderful Housing from the top.



CHAPTER 1: A NEW BREEZE

"...it was just another day of life, same old routine, passing by Afrikanische street, grabbing a cup of coffee and sitting at the bus stop waiting for the bus. But suddenly my heart skipped a beat, because just where I used to see a garden, the place totally had changed overnight. I was devastated at the fact that there is no garden anymore. All the save Environment Campaigns and the lectures, and all the facts I knew about the Present day Earth came in flash. I was agitated. I calmed myself and went nearby to find that the place has not just changed but Drastically changed. Was it right or wrong became a secondary scenario because when I saw the space, I felt rejuvenated. A sudden rush of adrenaline burst into my body and I took a quick pace to go near it and observe more carefully of what it is. I couldn't make any sense out of it frankly. It was empty, it had container types of boxes lying in an arranged manner, it had a huge Plaza and there even was Garden. Well, not the lush green garden we lost, but it was garden nevertheless. I still couldn't understand what it was? Was it a new landmark, was it housing, was it an Urban plaza, what is it? But before my curiosity would peak really high and I'll go and see the name for myself, I thought before I tag the place Let me enjoy it for a while(and oh yes, I missed my bus today). First thing I noticed was it was Underground. I've not seen many spaces Underground like this, especially an Open and well Lit space. There were wooden decks roughly for say 3-4 persons can stand and look onto the whole space and there were 6-7 such decks equidistant from each other. Well, it was something unusual if not breathtaking to stand on the cantilevered(that's what my architect friends call a freely suspended thing) deck and see an amalgamation of an Urban Plaza and Housing for Asylees(yes I read the board afterall)....



CHAPTER 1: A New Breeze

....It was named Asylum or Asylee's Elysium. Well, it cannot be further away from truth the name. Why? Because Asylees are usually avoided the confrontation with, secluded from the society but here it was totally connecting with the urban fabric of the existing city, it was talking with the city, It didn't just connect with the city and people but actually intersected them.. After checking it out from the decks I went on a walk on the terrace of the housing, or pathway at Ground level. This Underground Spaces surely mess your terminology up!! The walk was same as walking in the garden before, of course the whole thing had changed, there were no trees on the ground level, instead they were transported down to G-2 level but I could still feel them around. because trees weren't gone, but just transported to another level. Well done Architect, I thought. Pretty clever. All in all the walk was decent with patches of Gardens and landscaping here and there. I went down through the staircase. Well, the staircase had a nice feeling of Neo-classicism to it with stone wall and cantilevered steps supported by them. What I noticed was, unlike other housing even for normal citizens leave alone asylees, this housing had plenty of room to it. It had nice common areas on first floor as well. Sure, the houses were pretty tightly stacked but you can't get everything in life. I reached down, thinking of buying a house here, just for myself but then I stopped the thought because that would not just waste my money, but Asylee's important resources as the house is for minimum 2 people. After going down, first thing I noticed was....



CHAPTER 2: The Thinker

.....I finally entered the plaza and it was just really Elegant, Simple and Awesomel. What I first noticed, but not just me anybody will notice is there is a Miniature version of the very famous Statue, "The Thinker", and the first thought of mine was Why THE THINKER here? Well then I went near the statue and there it was written on the nice platform, "The Thinker, why here you must THINK. Well, the sole reason of putting this statue here is to push the people to think, to think what we are doing is wrong, what is wrong in this world right now, why does war happen, why such political tiffs makes living for us harded, and finally the most important questions, Why are Asylees present between US, and How can we help stop increasing the number of Asylees in the world. But it also tells you to think that Asylees are humans afterall, even though they don't have a country to live in. So, let us all think and accept them of who they are and why they exists between us". The Urban Plaza just got real. I was shocked that I never thought of how in deep shit we are. The number of wars has been increasing so much in the recent times, and because of that number of Asylees has shoot up like anything. But am sure about one thing, am Proud that am Germany born, because No country accepts as many Asylees as we do. And it is a Statistical Fact and not just a goofed up talk.....

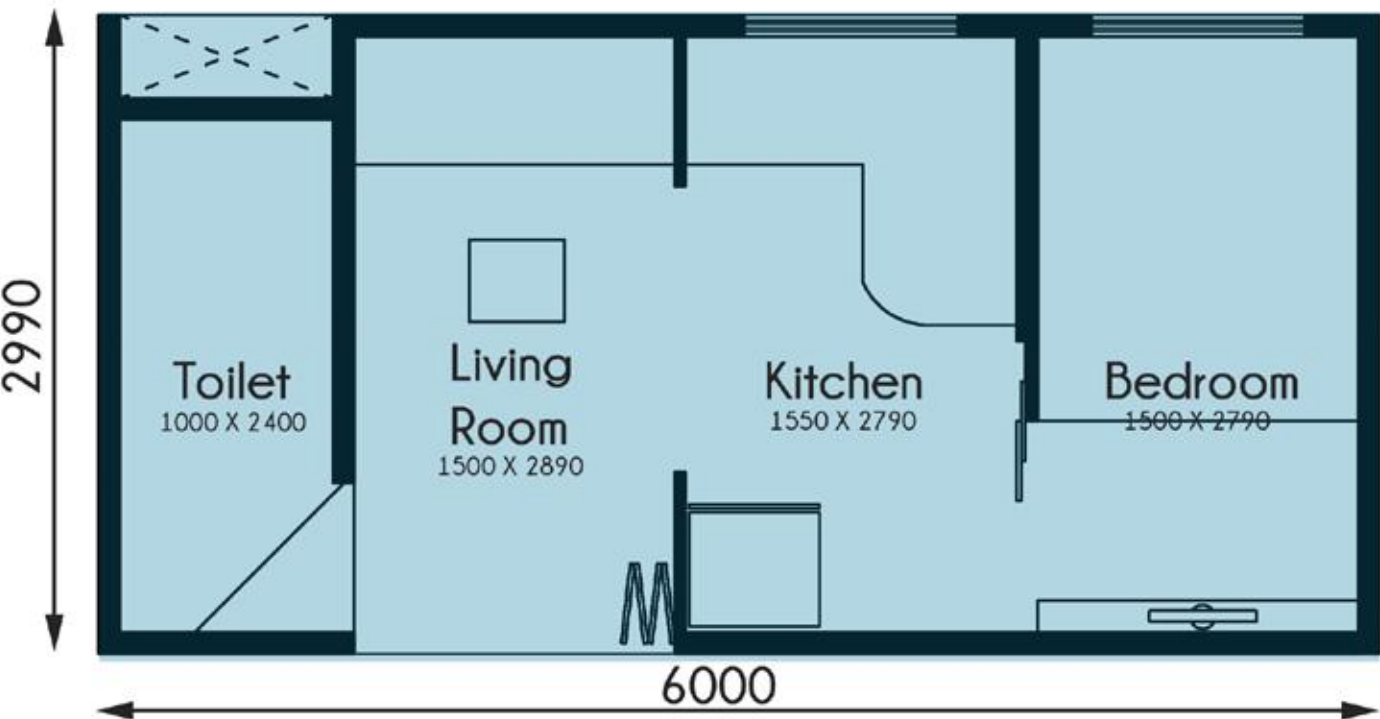


CHAPTER 3: A New Perspective

.....all in all, this place changed the whole perspective of how I thought of Asylees. Whenever I pass through this area(daily, duh) I greet whoever I meet and no, I'm not boasting about myself but I've made some good friends among the Asylees. I do whatever I can to help them whenever I can all thanks to how well the space narates itselfs to us, *the citizens*.

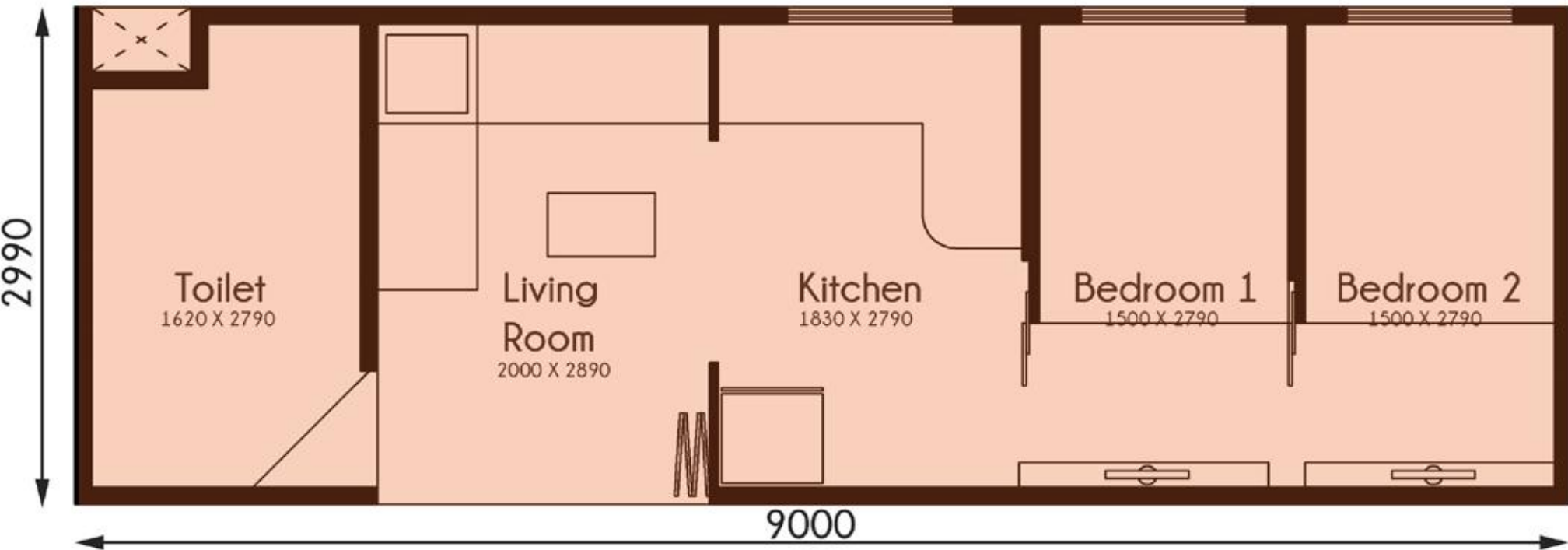
It Truely is an Elysium for Asylees , because they are respected, cared for, aren't neglected and main thing, the place Respects them and tries to merge with the already existing urban fabric of the city."

- an Excerpt of a German Citizen.



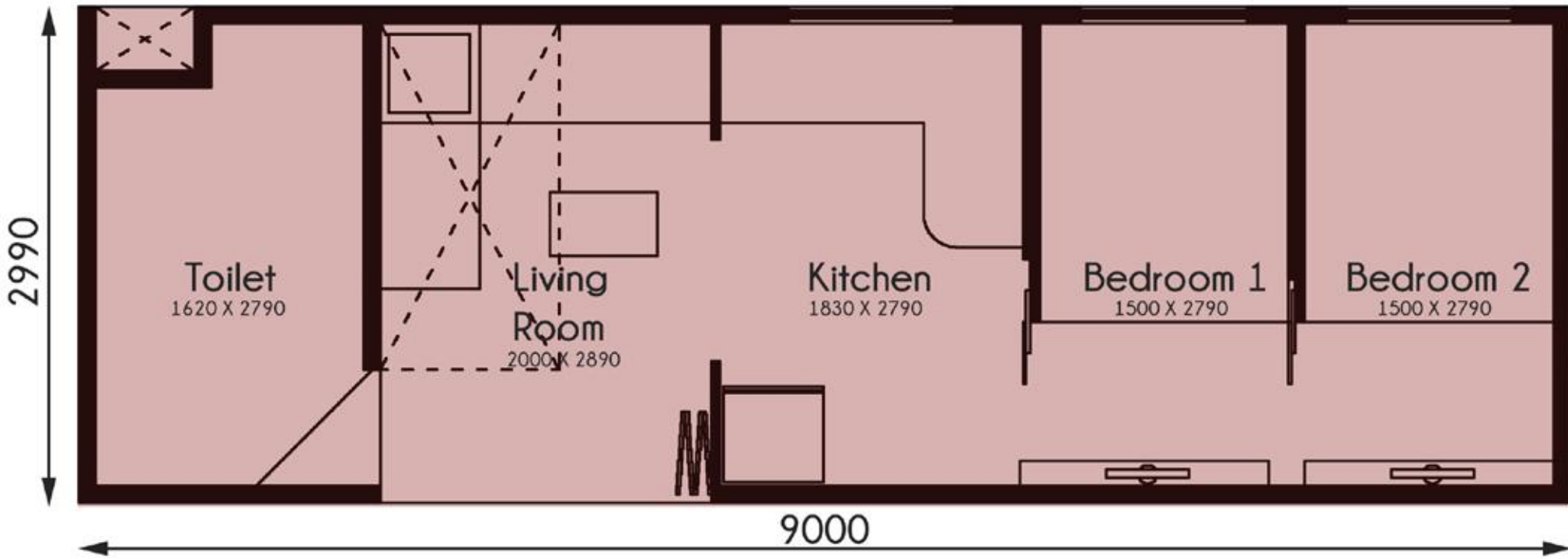
Plan(Unit for 2 persons)

Area: 17.940 sqm
Door Types: Sliding for Bedroo, Folding+Sliding for Living Room
Partition: Wooden for Bedroom, Granite for Kitchen and Living
Users: 1. Single Parent and One child OR
2. Couple OR
Preffered Finishing Color: Steel Blue



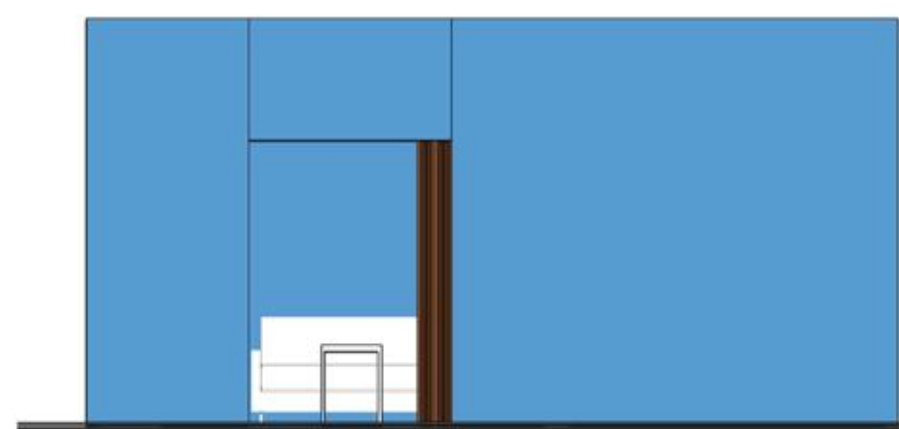
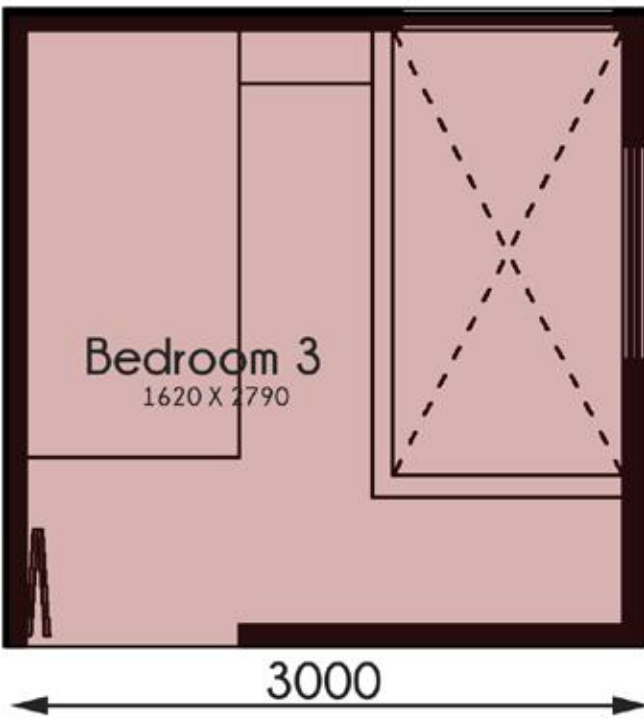
Plan(Unit for 4 persons)

Area: 26.91 sqm
Door Types: Sliding for Bedroo, Folding+Sliding for Living Room
Partition: Wooden for Bedroom, Granite for Kitchen and Living
Users: 1. Single Parent and One child OR
2. Couple OR
3. Couple with one child OR
4. Couple with two children OR
5. Couple and Grandparents
Preffered Finishing Color: Coral



Plan(Unit for 5 persons)

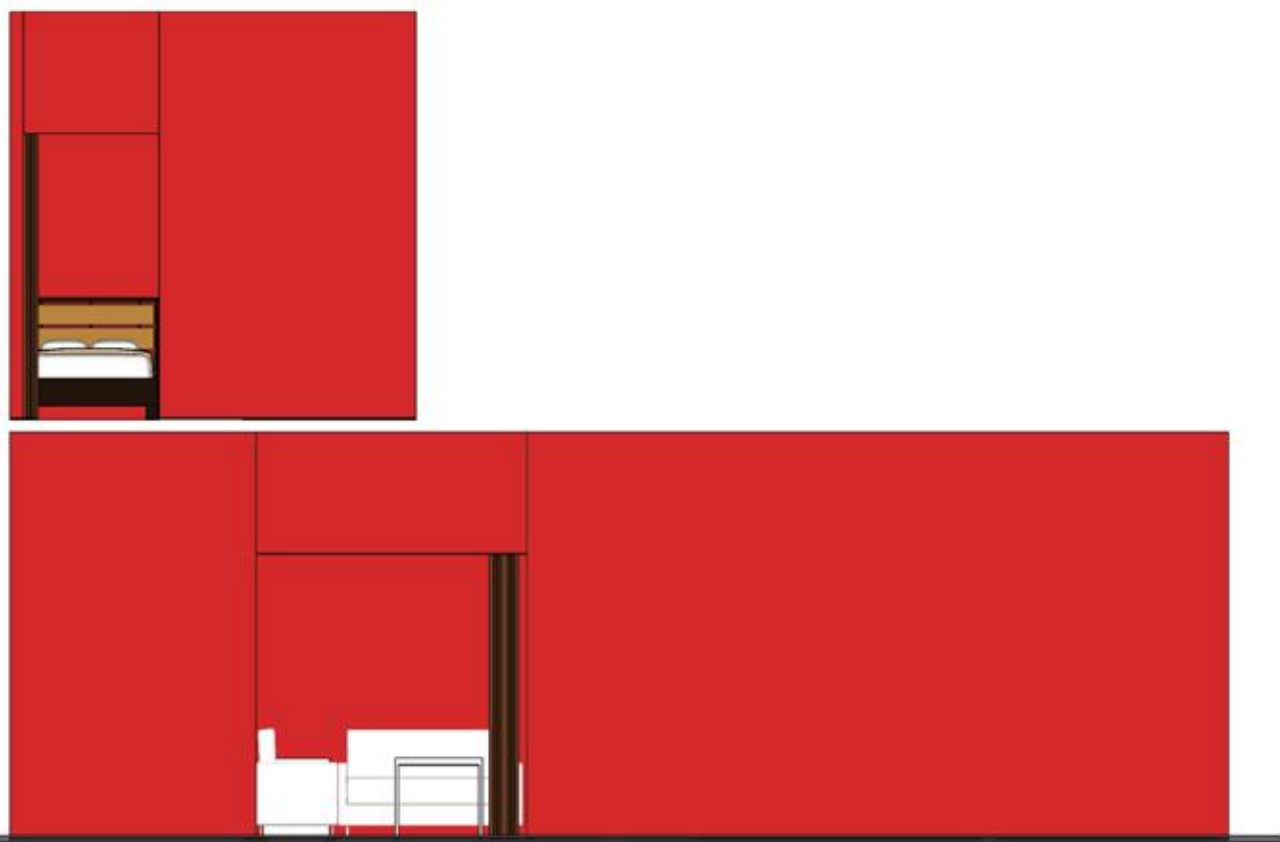
Area: 35.88 sqm
Door Types: Sliding for Bedroo, Folding+Sliding for Living Room
Partition: Wooden for Bedroom, Granite for Kitchen and Living
Users: 1. Couple with 2 children OR
2. Couple with 3 Children OR
3. Couple with 2 Children and 1 grandparent
Preffered Finishing Color: Redbricks



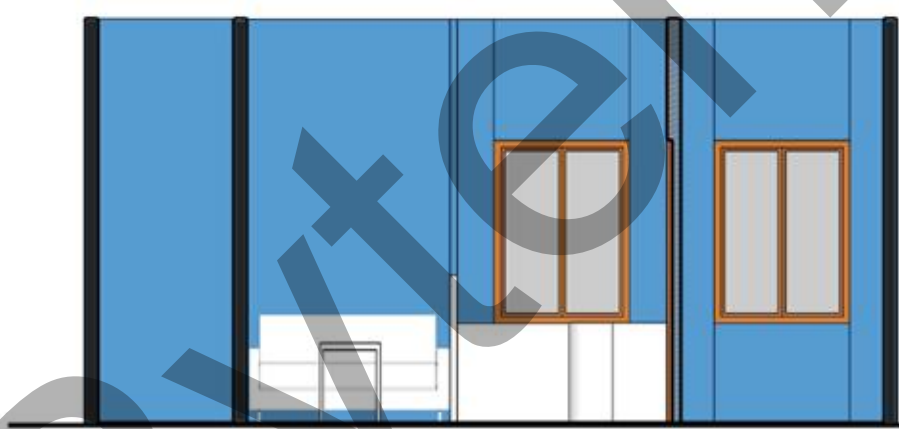
Elevation(Unit for 2)



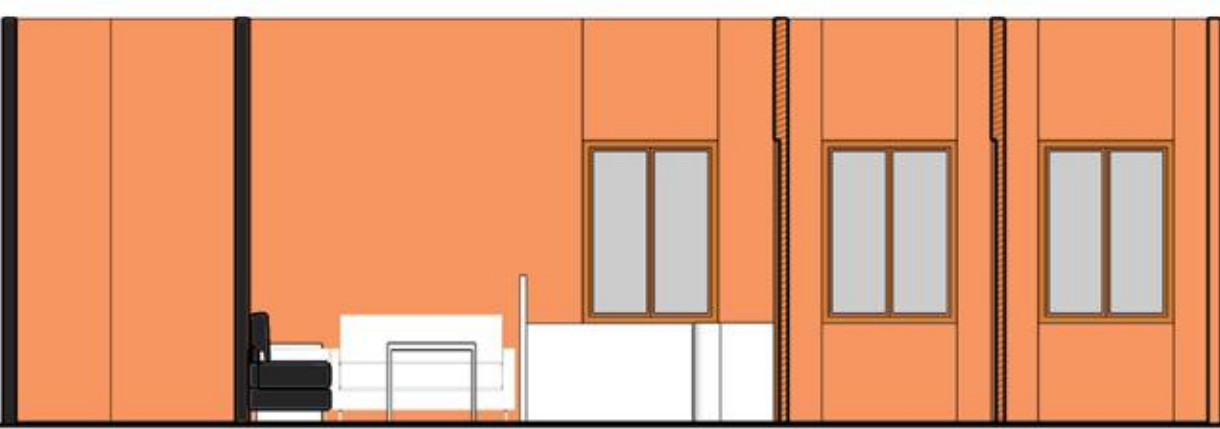
Elevation(Unit for 4)



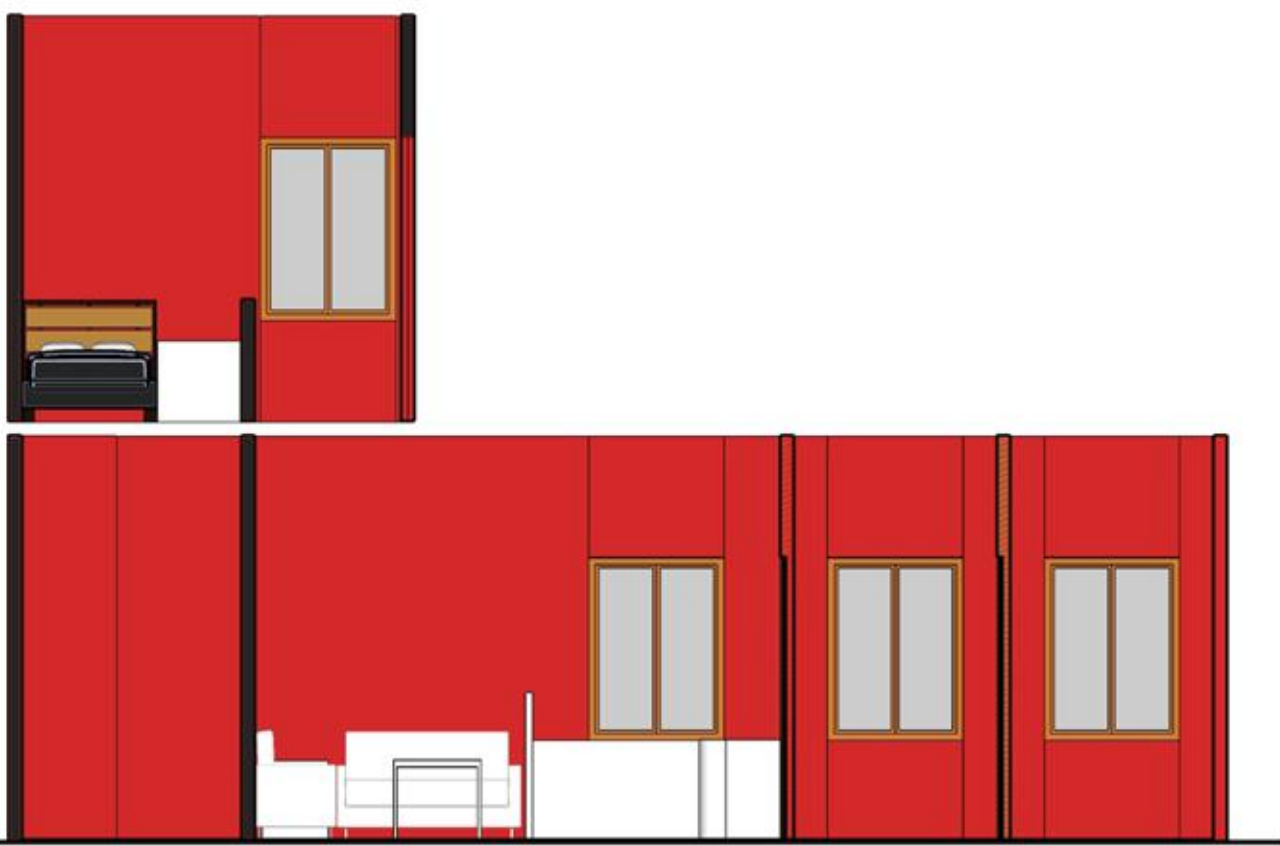
Elevation(Unit for 5)



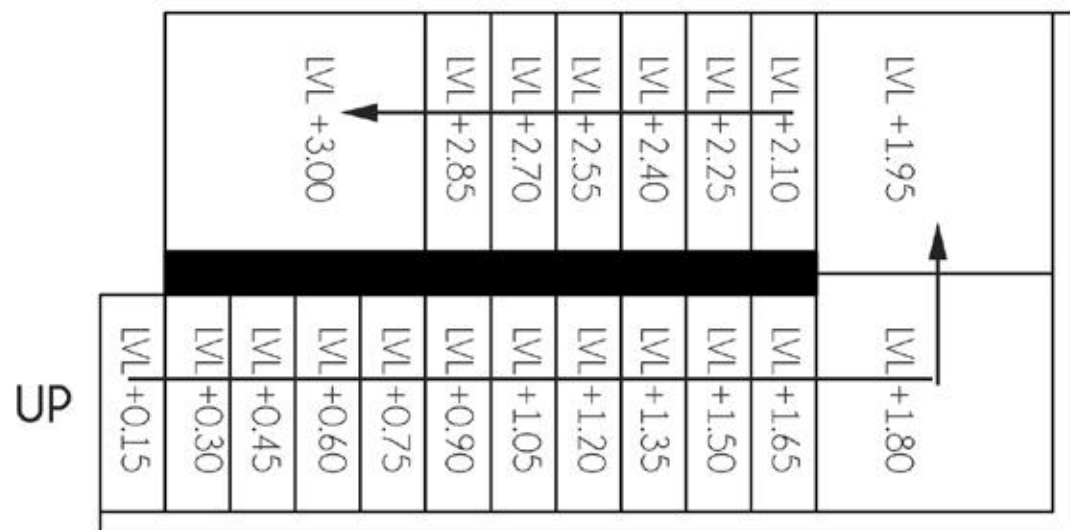
Section(Unit for 2)



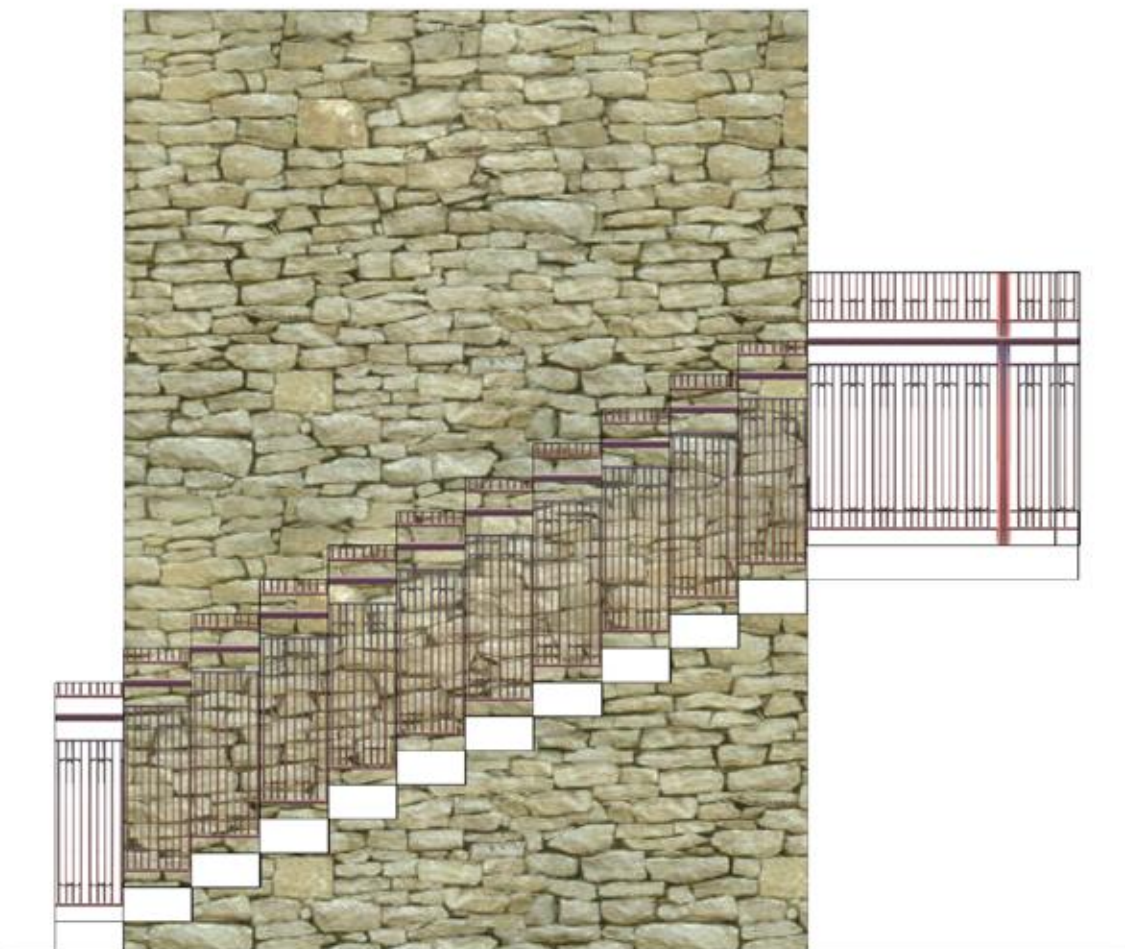
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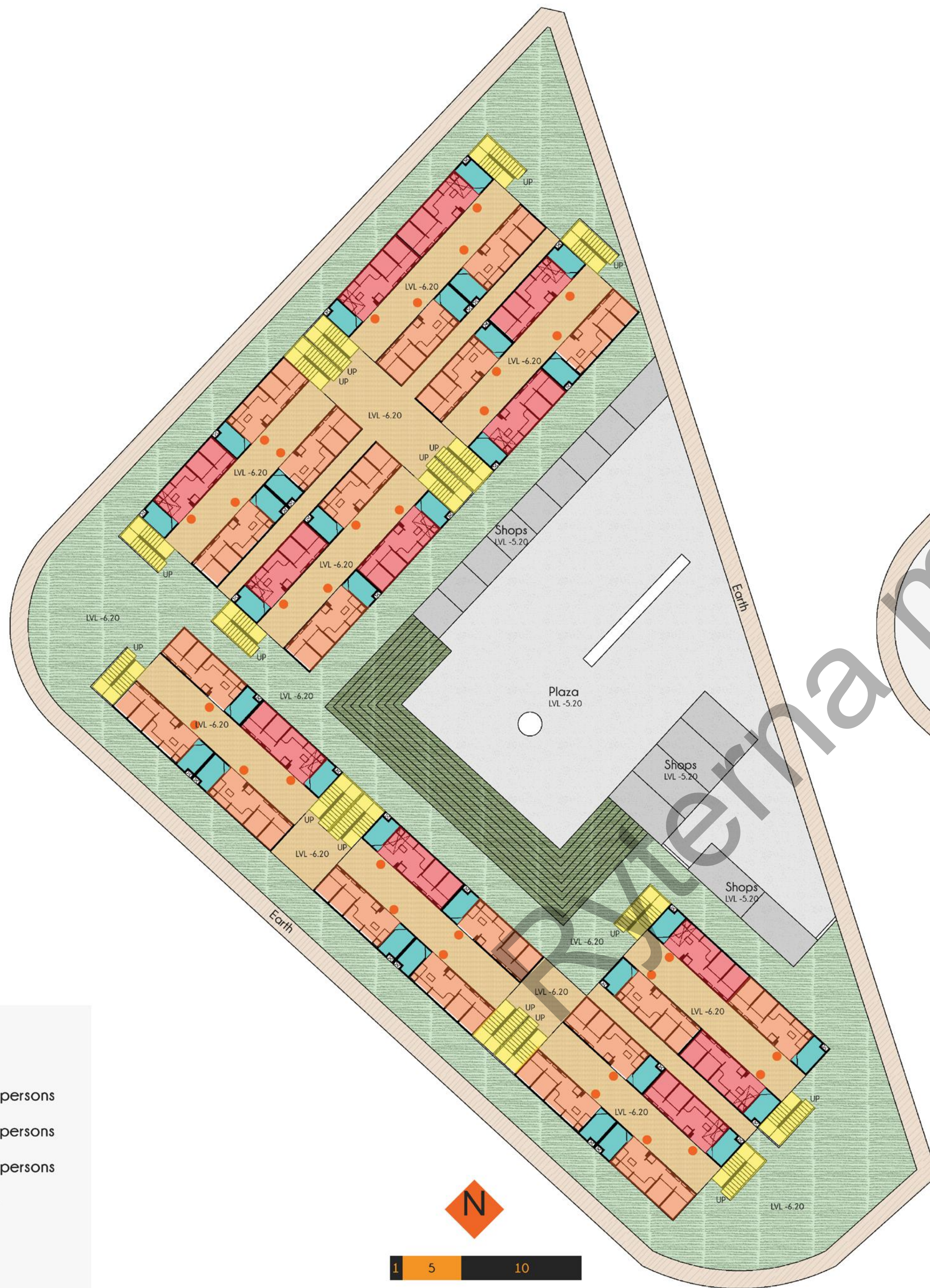
Plan(Staircase)



Elevation(Staircase)

KEY

- Toilet
- Unit for 4 persons
- Unit for 5 persons
- Unit for 2 persons
- Staircase



Ground Floor Plan
(G-2)



First Floor Plan
(G-1)



[NOTE; As the housing is Underground, there will be no Elevational treatment or Elevational Importance. Still, to fulfill the requirements two Elevations are Provided.]

Number of Houses for
Unit of 2 persons= 10 (10%)
Unit of 4 persons= 30 (60%)
Unit of 5 persons= 12 (30%)
Total Cost (580per sq m)= 2418694 (4170.16 sqm)
Total Site Area= 3900 sqm
Therefore Achieving FSI of 1.06



Site Development Plan
(Terrace plan/G)