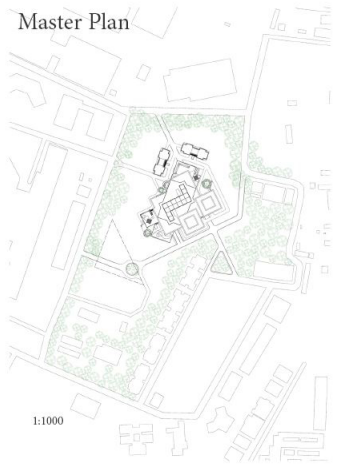




URBAN STRATEGY

BIOPHILIC RESIDENTIAL COMPLEX

Master Plan



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It is a common concept for people to move into big established cities in search of better living opportunities. But most often what we don't consider is the pressure that the city is going through because of massive rates of urbanization and immigration. There are certain cases where some very strong character of the city is washed out to cater to the expanding demand of its occupancy. One such city is BANGALORE. Bangalore is well known around the world as the Silicon City of India. But over the years it has lost one very integral title - "The Garden City". I still remember walking on the streets of this green city as a child and being amazed by how a metropolitan could still breath such freshness. It is a pity that the present-day urban scenario has put so much pressure on the housing segment, that acres of city greenscape is being cleared to accommodate more people.

As a young architect, I have always waited for an opportunity to work on a project that would help me bring light upon this situation. In 2019, Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Medical Sciences hosted a design competition to create a residential complex as part of the university facility. Although the competition was won by one of the leading architects in the city, I chose the same parameters of the design brief to make my proposition. This project focuses on the concept of biophilia, vertical buildings, indigenous and minimalist materials and passive techniques for a residential complex of a mixed user group. The project can mostly be termed as "ARCHITECTURE THAT CONNECTS PEOPLE AND NATURE IN THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT of a metropolitan city."

