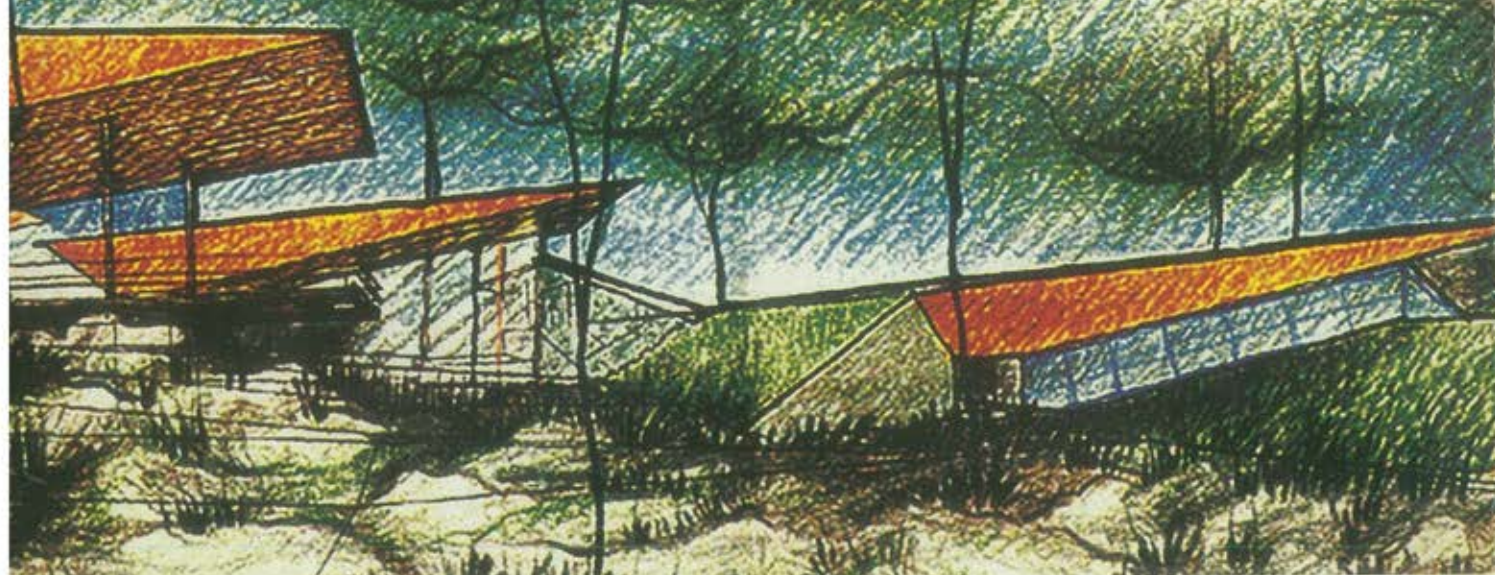
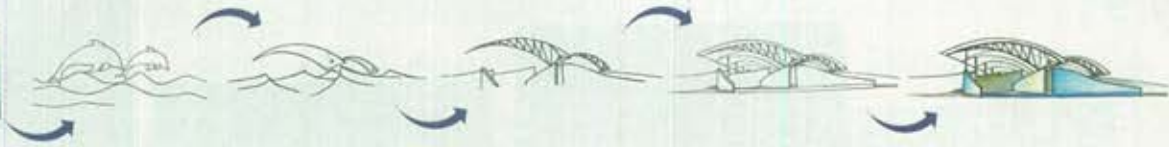


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GROUND FLOOR PLAN



The project, to design a bus stand in a semi-rural setting at Cuncolim, near the commercial city, Margao, addresses successfully the utilitarian aspect of the facility. The architect uses current know-how and skills in deploying contemporary materials in a modernistic style of design. The primary consideration was utility (linked to which are user safety and ease of use), coloured by the element of Goan-ness in the design with proper scaling to the setting and the need for a low-cost, low maintenance public facility.

A curvilinear theme was chosen for the design, which was carried over in the sweeping lines of the roof and the flowing curve of the walls, and the aquatic theme was maintained in the look of the interiors, too, with suggestive underwater imagery. Bits of mirrored glass on the walls and the colour of the tiling, as also the design of the upper spaces, were efforts to evoke a submarine feel.

There were separate courses for entry and exit of commuters, buses, visitor vehicles and para transit. The interior design provided for bus bays and waiting areas is undisturbed by the commuter flow. +

Client Goa State Urban Development Agency
Design team Rahul Deshpande, Yogita Ghorpade and Larissa Lobo
Structural design Rahul Deshpande, Anil Palekar, Vinish Dessai
Electrical consultants Castellino Consultants
Contractors D S Contractors Pvt Ltd
Built-up area 2000sq m
Cost of project Rs 386 lakh
Year of completion 2007

