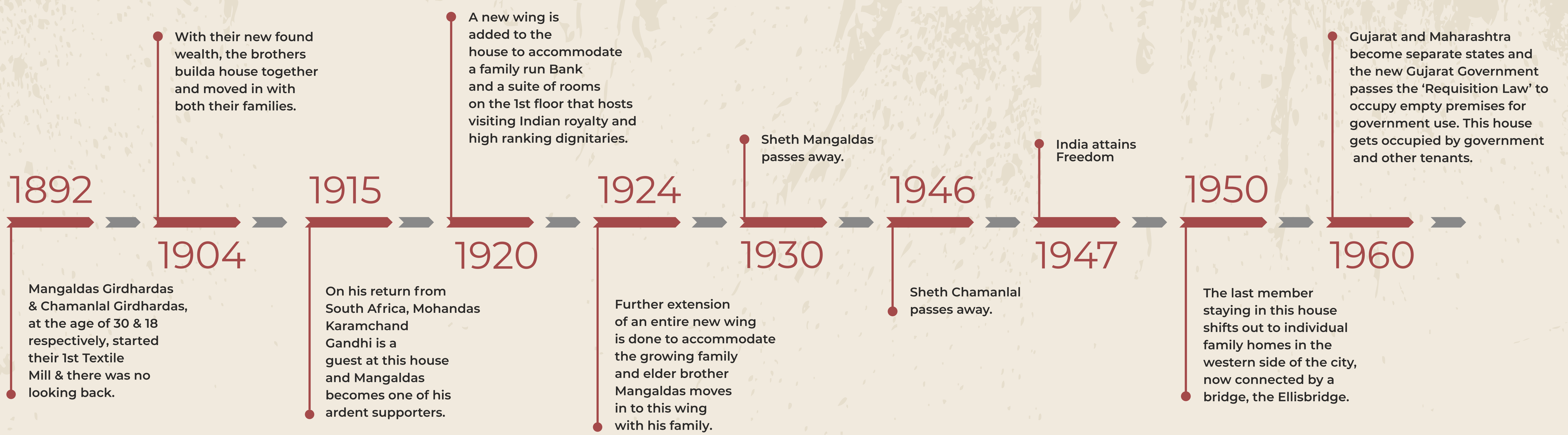


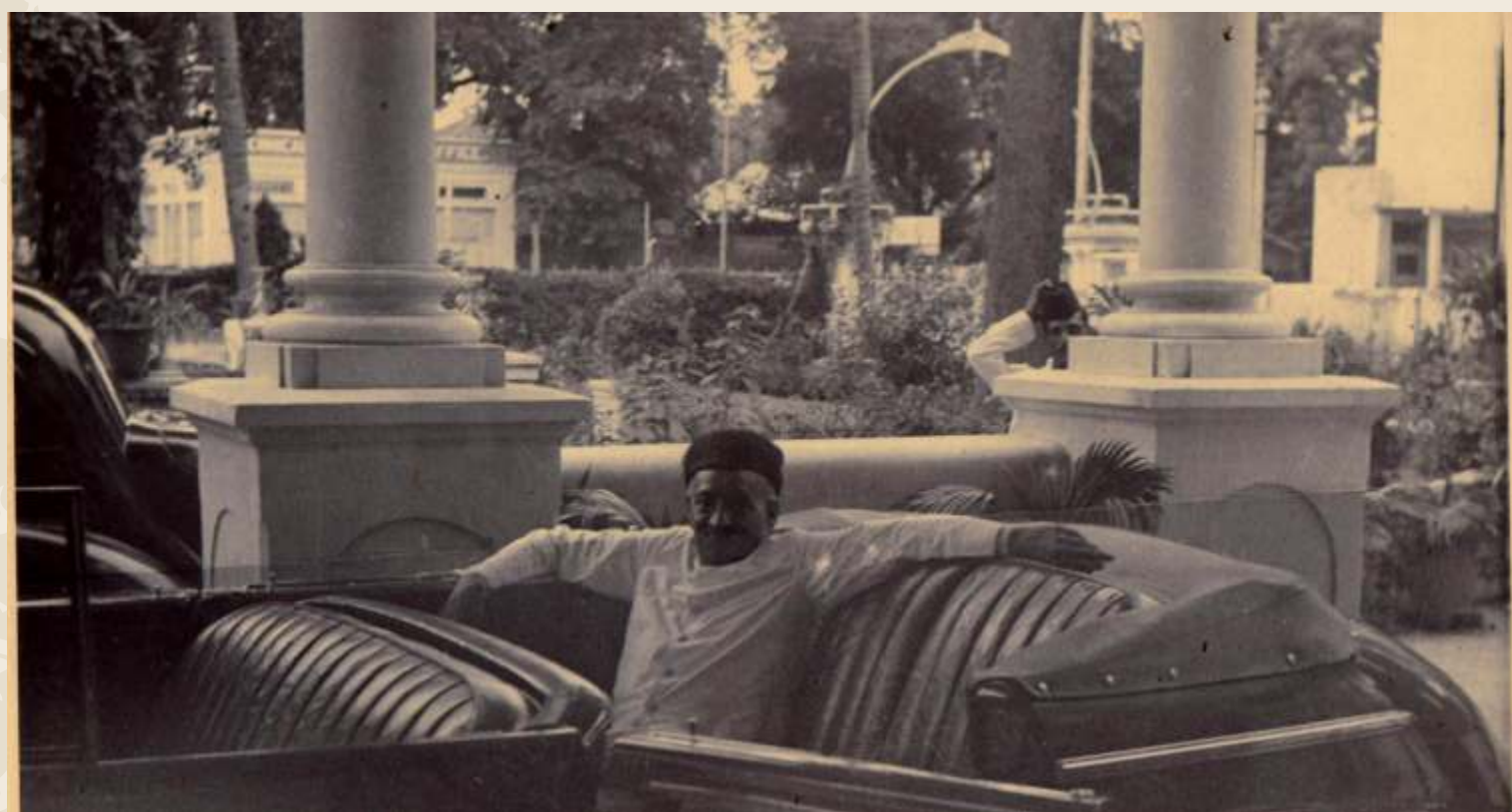
1904 - 1960

THE HOUSE OF BROTHERS MG & CG

House of Mangaldas Girdhardas & Chamanlal Girdhardas



Children went to school in a horse drawn buggy.



Chamanlal Girdhardas Parekh en route to work in a convertible car.



Sheth Mangaldas Girdhardas & Sheth Chamanlal Girdhardas.



The old home at Raja Mehta ni Pol where Mangaldas and Chamanlal grew up. It still exists.



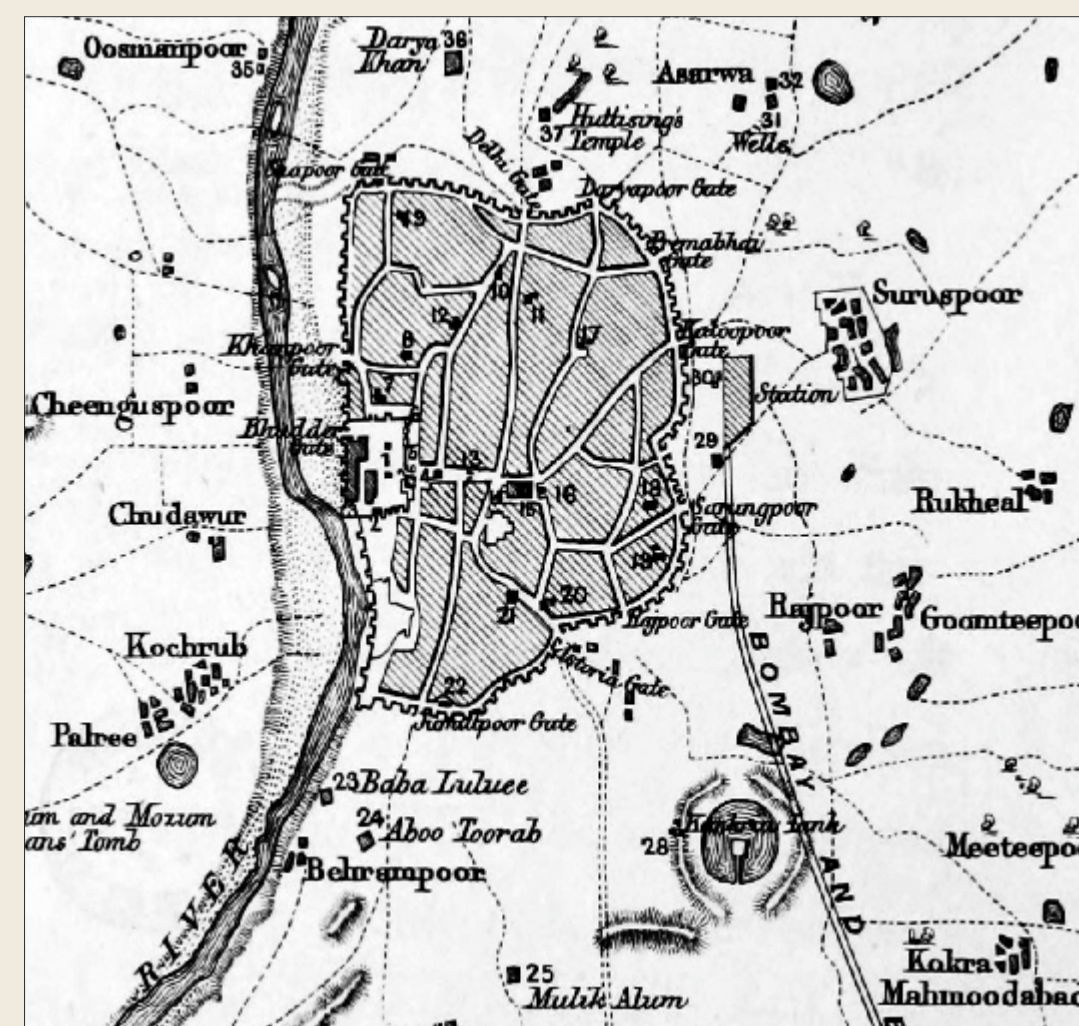
At the opening of the Industrial Bank in 1920 at this bungalow.



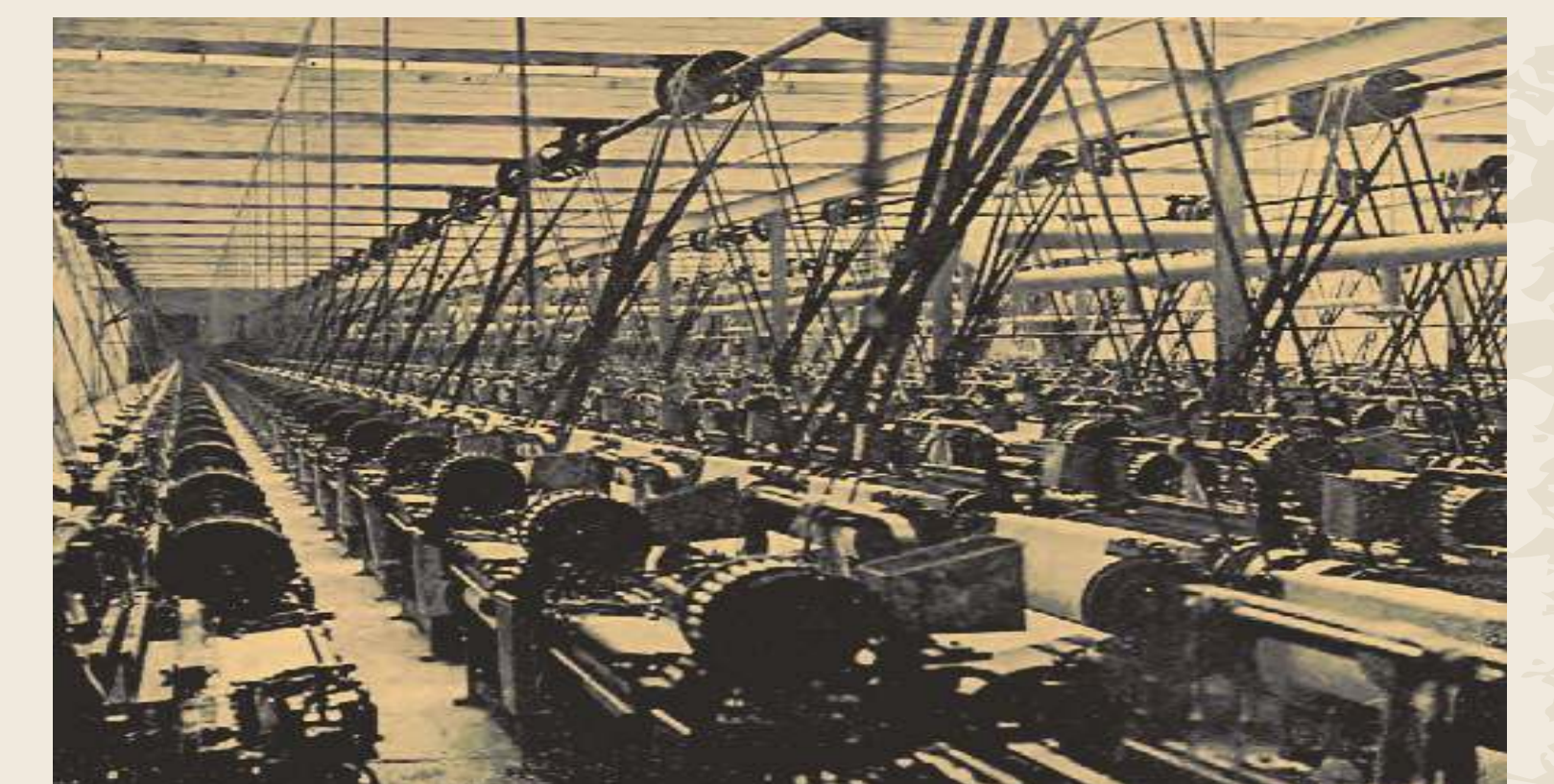
Mahatma Gandhi with Sheth Mangaldas Girdhardas.



Sit-down thali dinner on terrace of the house. (now Agashiye restaurant)



Ahmedabad city during 19th century. The population of the city during 1901 was 185,900 and the area was 5.35 sq km.



The Weaving loom-shed in a 19th century cotton mill in Ahmedabad similar to the one started by Mangaldas.



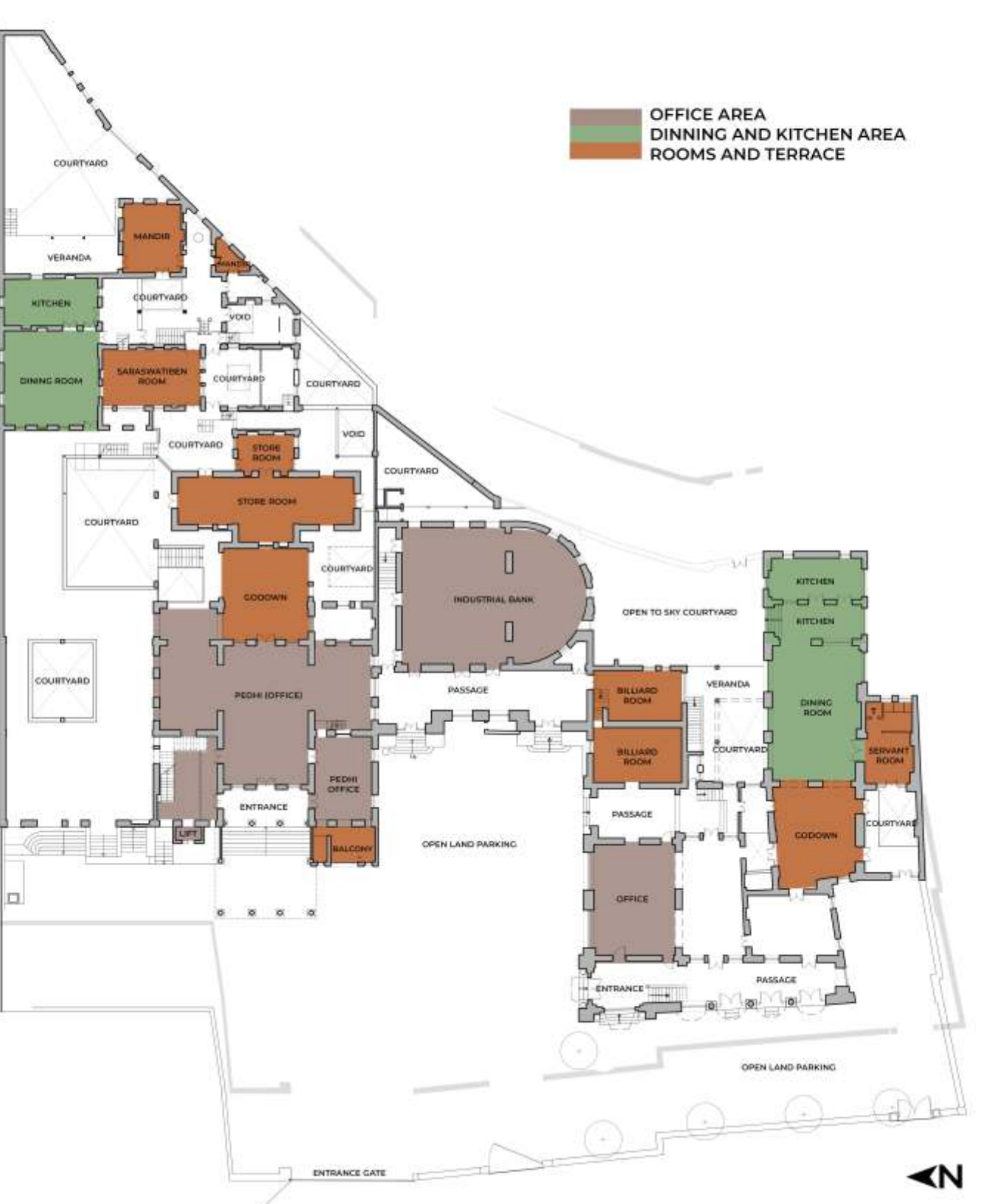
Shethiya club (1892-94). 'Shethiya' is a term used for 'bosses', then mostly of Textile Mills.

The house had common bath and toilet areas. One of the most noticeable rooms was the delivery room with attached toilet where, at times, both mother and daughter would be giving birth together. The public spaces had sitting areas for business and offices (*kacheri*). The terraces of both the houses were used commonly for celebration of festivals like kite festival and for joint dinners of the entire family.



Queen Elizabeth visits Sidi Saiyed Mosque (1961). The house is visible in the background.

GROUND FLOOR PLAN



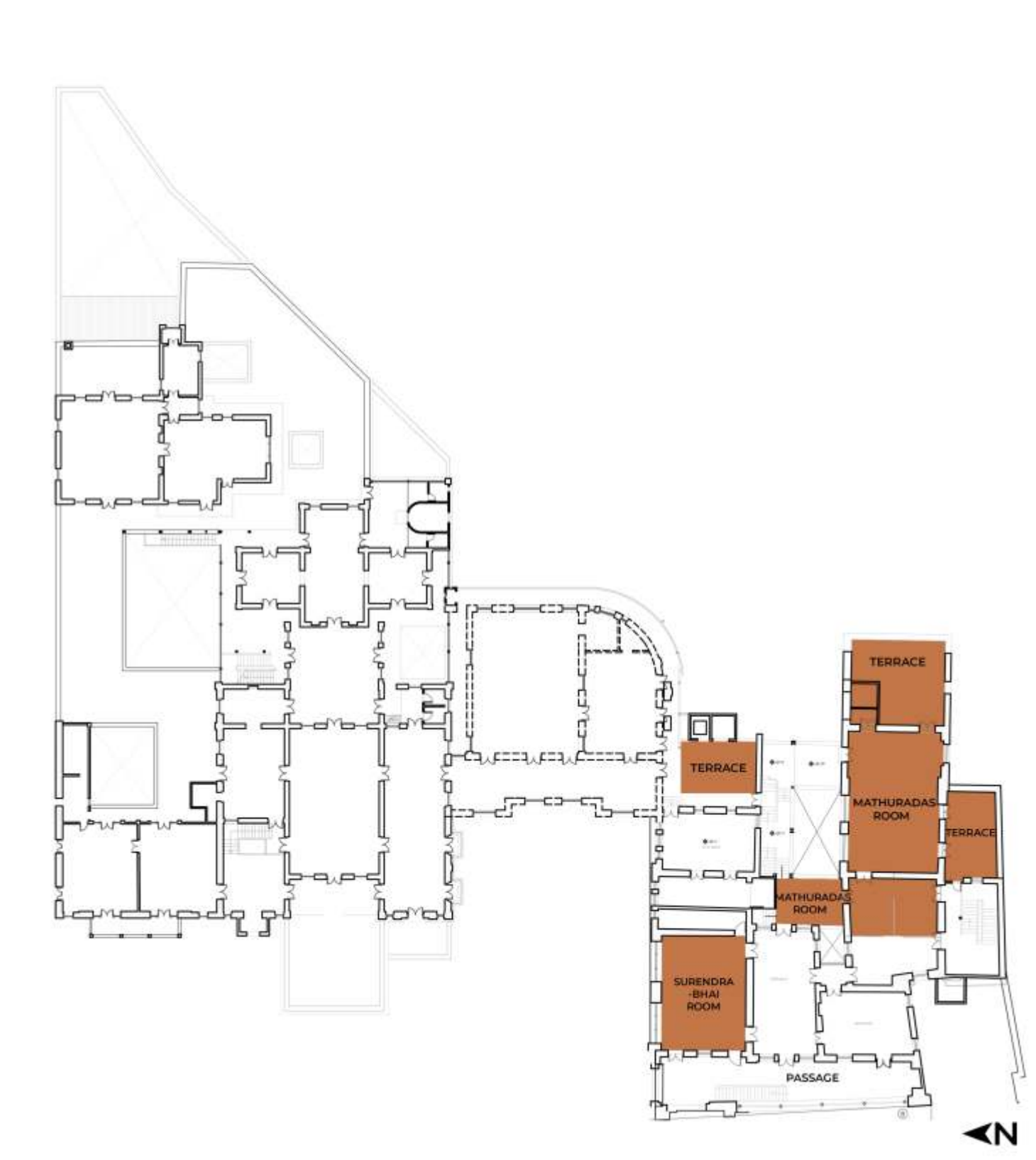
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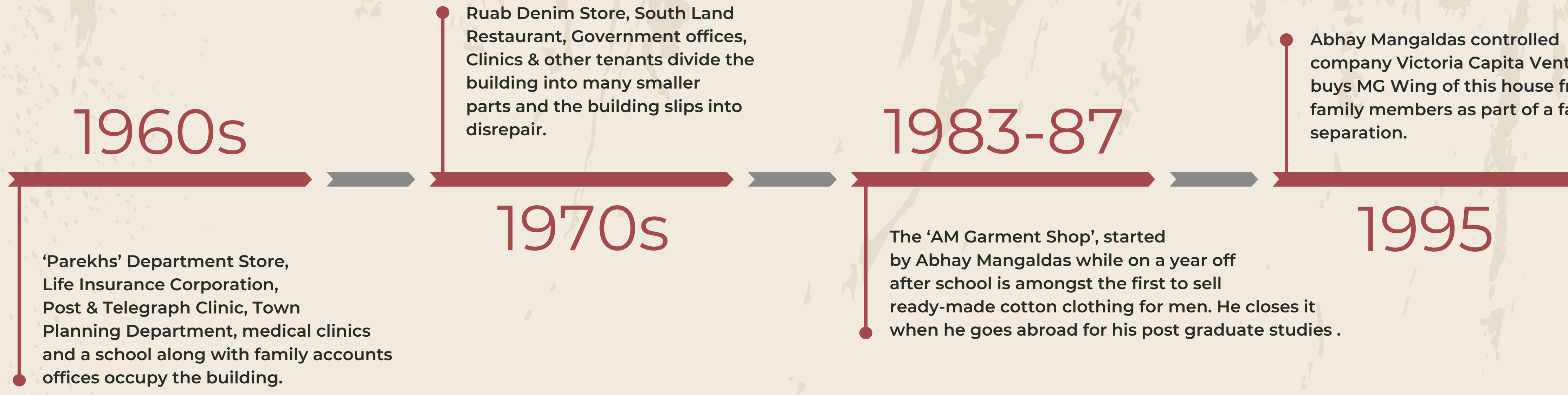
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1960 - 1995

DEPARTMENT STORE, RESTAURANT, SHOPS, CLINICS & OFFICES

Tenanted Property



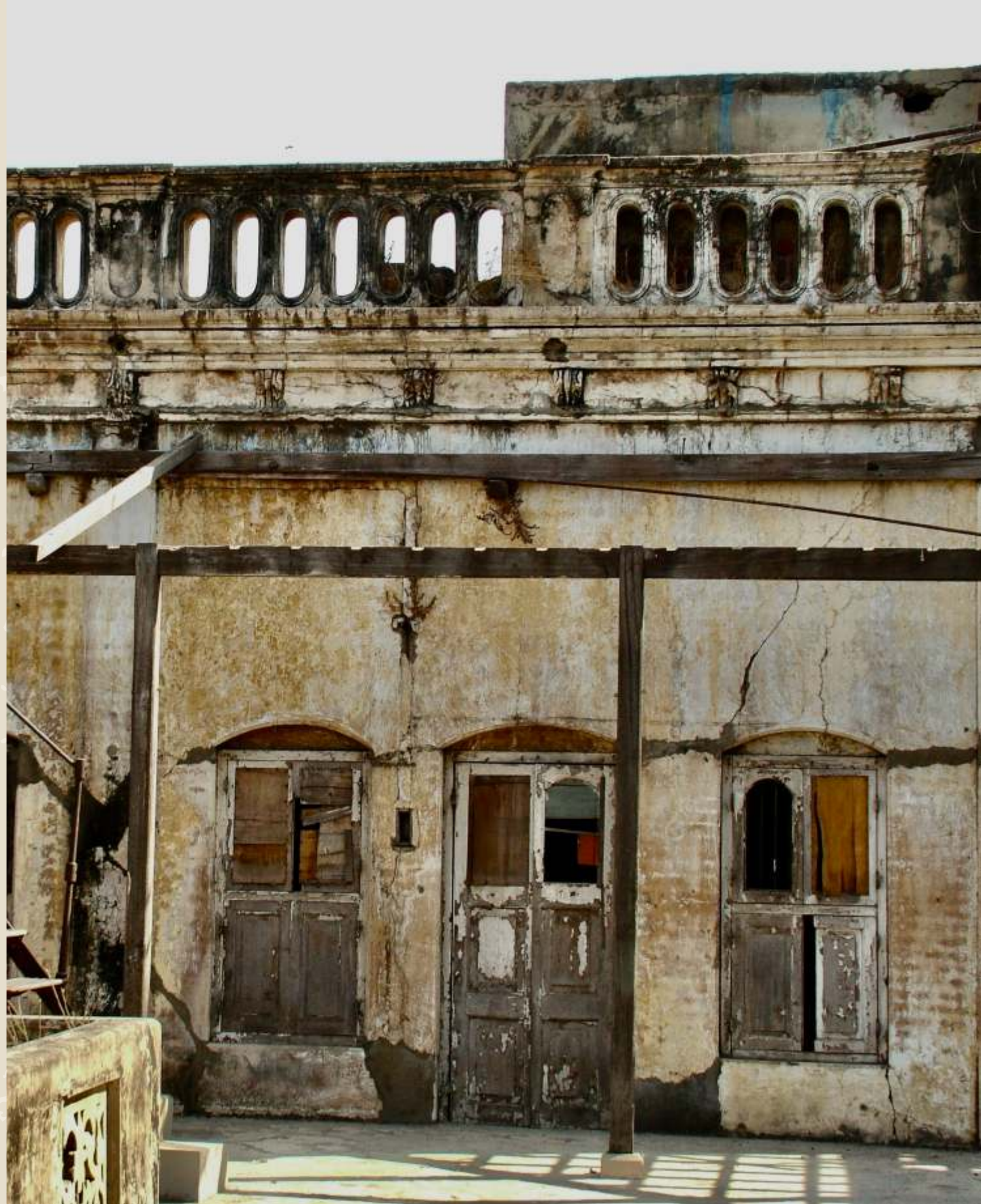
AM Garment Shop on first floor and Ruab Denim Store on the Ground floor of the house. Aryodaya Mills was amongst the first mills to make denim in India.



The building was tenanted to many entities including Government offices, private offices, clinics and a restaurant. The family members account offices and some entrepreneurial ventures started by individual members also operated from here.



Closed Parekh's department store, India's first multi-brand department store, started by members of CG family which was very popular in its time.



Part of CG wing, now Agashiye restaurant, before renovation. Old buildings in the city were being torn down to make room for modern buildings from 1970s onwards.



State of CG Wing before renovation.



State of the woodwork before renovation.



CG wing facade in 1995. An empty shell where once there was a home.

As the family moved out to the Western part of the city across the river, with more open land and room for independent houses, this building went into disrepair. The boom in the textile business slowed through 1980's and the family members opted for other careers. During 1960's, after Gujarat and Maharashtra separated into two separate states, the Gujarat Government introduced the Requisition Act that allowed it to occupy a substantial portion of the empty space in this building. The family also took in other tenants as its financial condition deteriorated and the glory of the building faded.



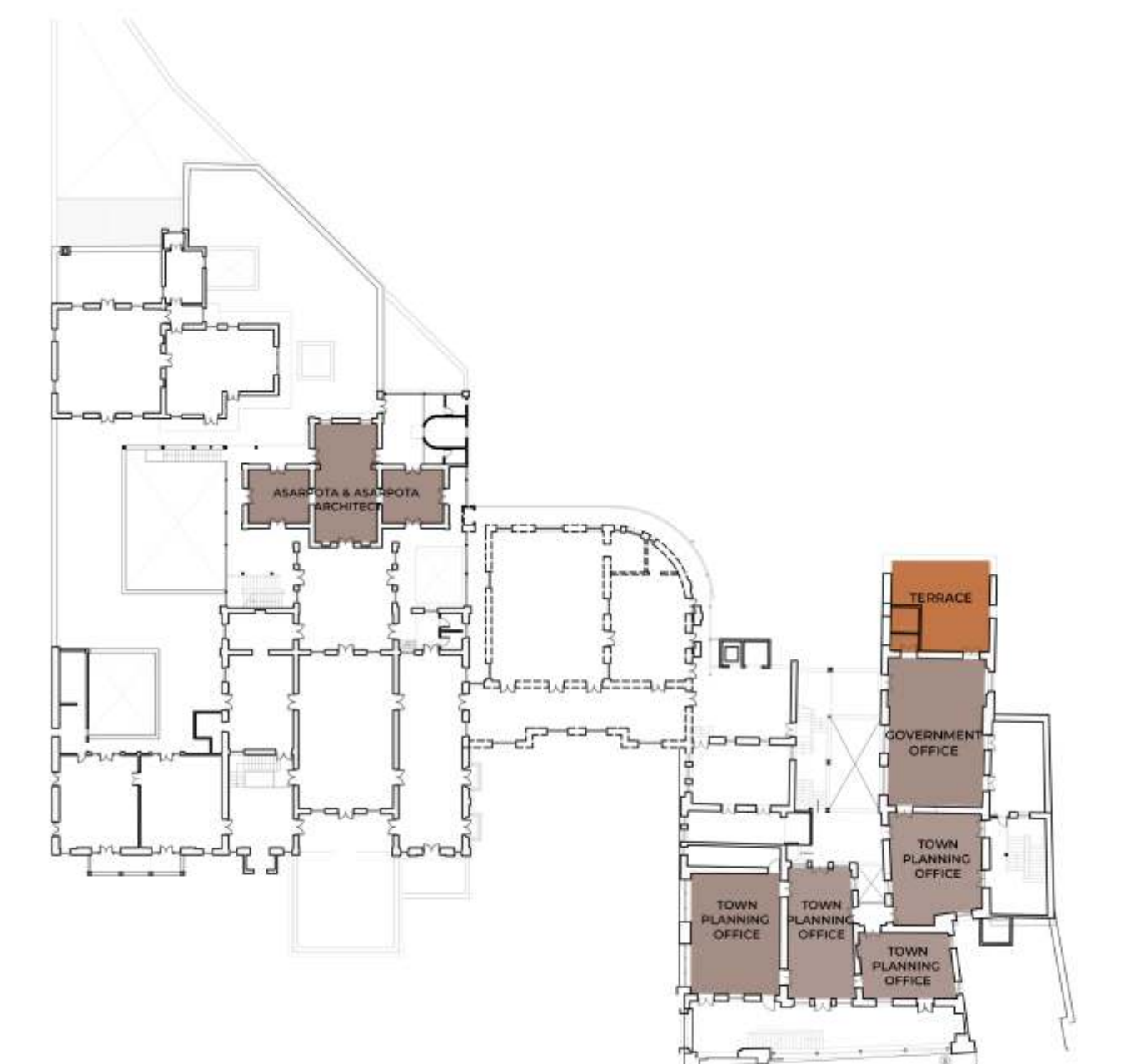
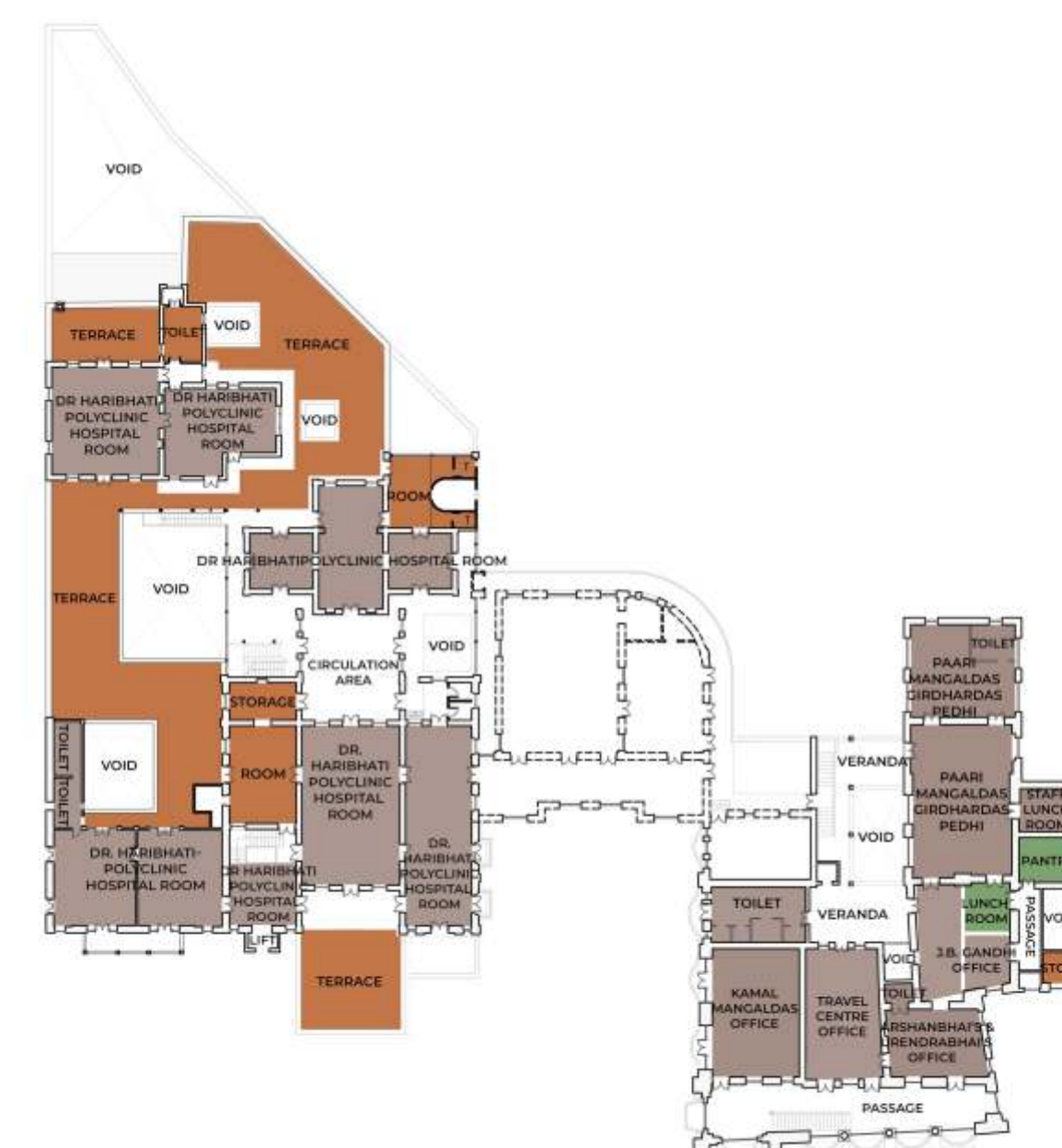
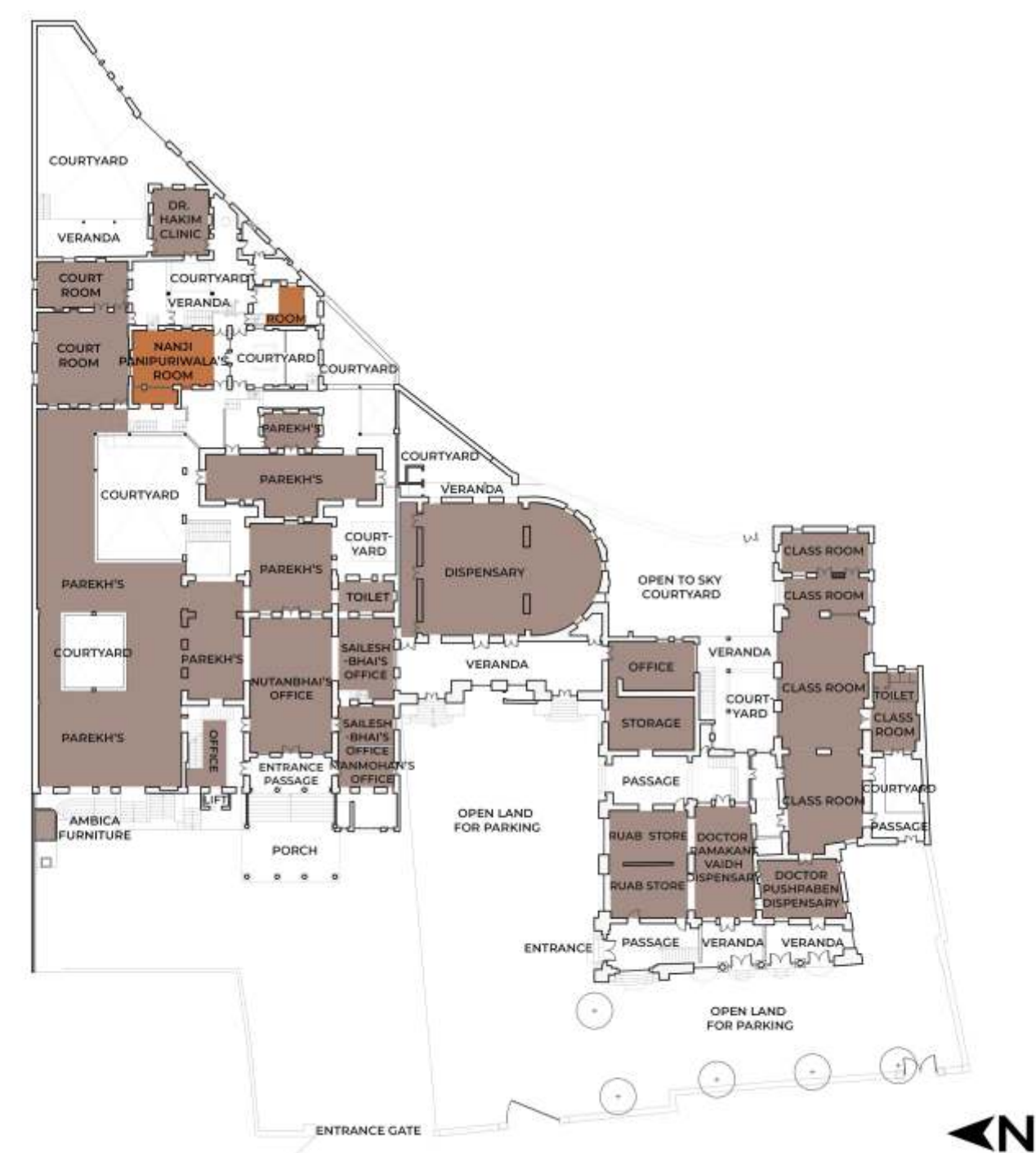
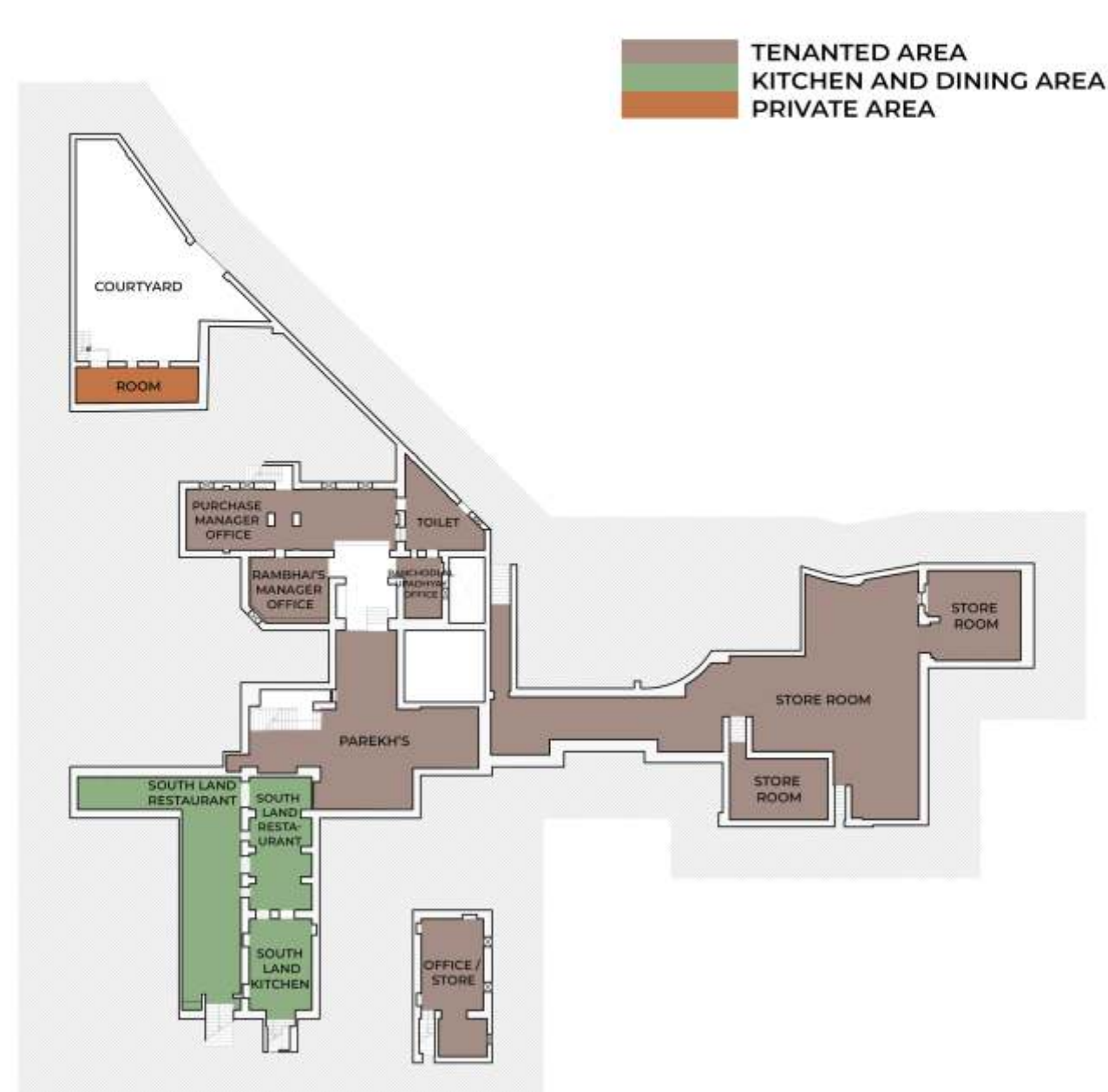
Dilapidated & run down state of tenanted spaces post 1960.

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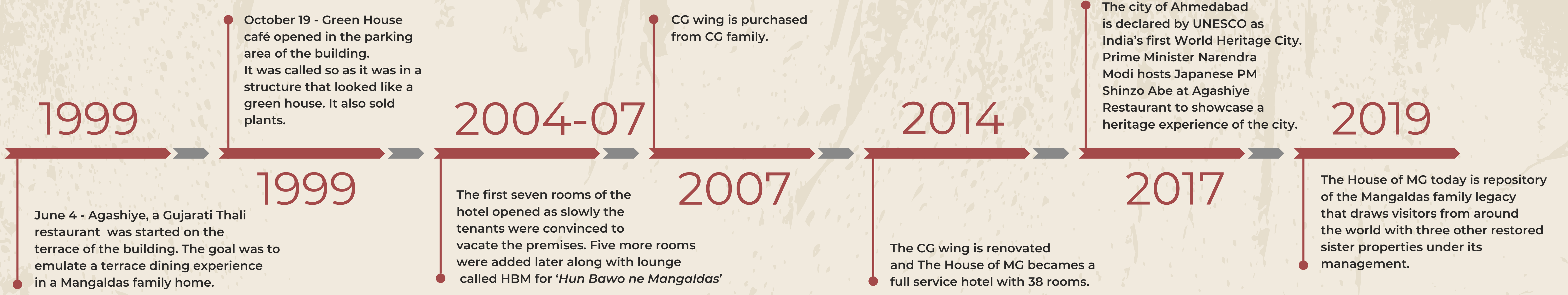
SECOND FLOOR PLAN



1999 to Present

HOUSE OF MG WITH CG WING

An iconic Heritage Hotel



House of MG is located in the centre of the city. The population and area of the city has expanded to 86.44 lakhs(2019) and 464 km².



1999- 'Agashiye' rooftop restaurant serving the Gujarati thali is the first enterprise in this building that continues to this date.



1999 - Green House, a café opens in what used to be the parking lot of the house.



2004 - Interior of a room at The House of MG where all the items are hand made by artisans.



The House of MG as a completely restored project in 2014.



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi hosted Japanese counter part Shri Shinzo Abe at The House of MG for an Indo - Japan summit meeting in September 2017 to commemorate Ahmedabad being declared India's first UNESCO World Heritage City.

From late 1990's, the dream of making The House of MG a world class hotel has gradually taken shape. With the opening of 'Agashiye' - a rooftop restaurant in 1999 to restoring the CG wing in 2014 - new layers to the property continue to be added. It now offers the visitor a glimpse in to the heritage legacy of a family that is closely linked with the history of the city. In 2017 when UNESCO declared Ahmedabad as a World Heritage City, The House of MG, with three iconic Heritage properties under its management, could lay claim to have contributed to this recognition in a small way. Today, it serves as an example of what the city can offer if it manages its heritage well.



2006 - Where there was once a bank, later a Post and Telegraph Dispensary, opened as an Indoor Swimming Pool.



2017 - 'Dev Viman' is a space for celebrations and gatherings. Its inaugural function was an Indo - Japan summit meeting.



2017 - Ahmedabad Trunk Gallery shop with folk textiles, tribal arts and heritage related books opens on 1st floor.



2017- 18 Gujarat Textile Gallery and later Saree and Shawl Gallery with items from the personal collection of Leena Sarabhai Mangaldas and Anjali Hutheesing Mangaldas opens at Ahmedabad Trunk

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