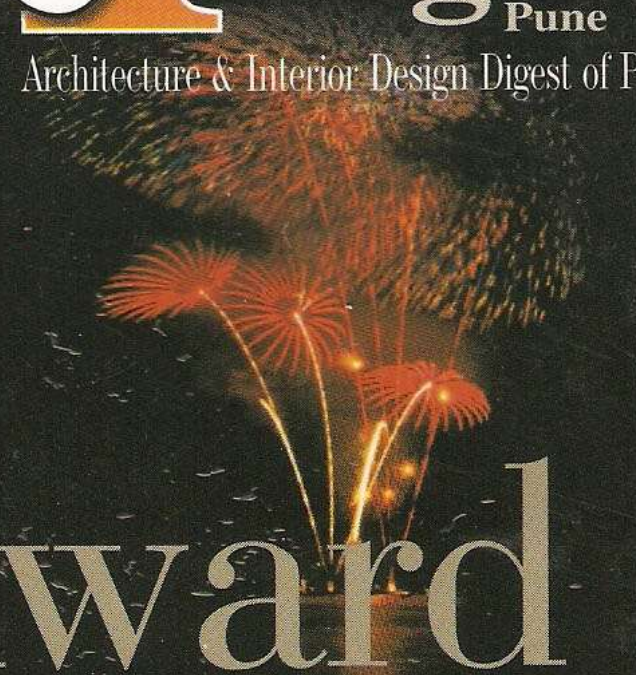


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Category Of Award :  
Best  
Architectural Design

## Gauri Apartments

designed by  
Group Ø Architects

Group Ø Architects got the  
Jury Recommendation Award  
for Best Architectural Design  
for Gauri Apartments  
in the year 2004.

An apartment was to be constructed with the first two floors to be given back to the owner of the plot.

**Four tenements of 1000 sq.ft** each were to be let out to the owner.

All the tenements were to be designed with a terrace / balcony and a parking space. Each flat **entrance** - should face **east-west** only.

**Plot area = 522.0 sq.mt.+T.D.R. - 0.8** to be utilised on the same plot.

As per owners requirements & the local authority byelaws the structure should be finished in **P+6 floors**. Structure designed - **earthquake proof**. All the **basic necessities** of the middle class flat owners like- space for wash basin, washing machine, drying clothes, parking, kitchen exhaust, service

connections, t.v, telephone, generator backup, fire fighting equipments, signages, etc.

**Existing trees** were marked & maintained as it is. Additional shrubs & flooring pattern is related to the main structure.

Though architect has not done the interior but all **interior layouts** have been thought and the civil work has been designed and executed to house the same.

**Perception of masses, fenestrations, colours, and form.**

Cylindrical form at the top housing the lift machine room & over head water tank & tank for fire fighting.

Play of three forms, the **white cylinders** with the **yellow/grey box** with the bond of **central blue cylindrical core**.

Play of **light & shadows**.

Amidst the natural elements, building **emerges from the natural surroundings**.

Framing of the form yet giving an openness to the terrace. All side ducts are used for the services such as rain water, toilet inlet, outlet connections.



The front elevation of Gauri Apartments.

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