



SHY PEACOCK HOMES

A home built with a Quiet human soul.

THE OBSESSION WITH THE XBHKs.

The “Modern” Man’s Pursuit of an ideal house today, he has completely forgone the notion of the nourishment of the mind, over which he chooses to buy houses, with the maximum number of bedrooms. As if the more number of useless bedrooms in his house somehow represents his own perceived value, this ideology does not allow any room (quite literally) for his hobbies, worship, prayer or study.

Today every Developer / Builder fuelled by the idea of maximising his profits, furthers this notion of a house with the maximum number of bedrooms. When did we decide to lose the beloved “Study”? : A room for the nourishment of the mind, of a meditative state of growth, what happened to the Hobby rooms? : where children played and the adult human created orchestra from his desk? No wonder we doom scroll endlessly and our children are glued to their precious Tablets.

Today we have become vessels for the salesman’s dream we consume to be sold products, products that we don’t even need, ideas that only stifle our minds. We have accepted a mindless existence over evolution and our houses too today represent this exact ideology, A house without a prayer room or a simple study, is accepted nationwide. We the developers promote X-BHK proudly as if that’s enough, a House without a Soul!

The idea that every home can house a monastery of Prayer, of study of cultivating hobbies, used to be the backbone of intelligent life on earth, we cherished our courtyards our prayer rooms, these spaces transcended us into a state of mindfulness a place for Nowness. Today as the developers & builders of our communities we are killing the souls of the home, we focus on decorative gardens and hollow amenities instead, spaces essential but designed as an extension

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of a society building, not as a part of the household. One cannot be expected to invent on a public community table, a creation first is private, it is deep :

“We need a space within our home that can be accessed right in our pyjamas.”

We the architects are responsible for providing the right conditions — through space and volume — for a continuously evolving mind. Our children need to witness this ritual, this practice of deep engagement of the mind, so that they grow with such rituals, and thus follow their own calling. A Study / A hobby room naturally allows the mind to shut off from the world, it is a vessel for creativity, of expansion.

The developer and the architect today have a much deeper responsibility as we are responsible for shaping our communities and nation. Without a room for this expansion we signal only corporate growth, there is no room for cultivating nation builders or creators to thrive, it is our responsibility to change this notion.

I believe a home built with such a space can truly transform our lives through habits and practice, it can preserve a deeper life, a more **human spirit**.

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