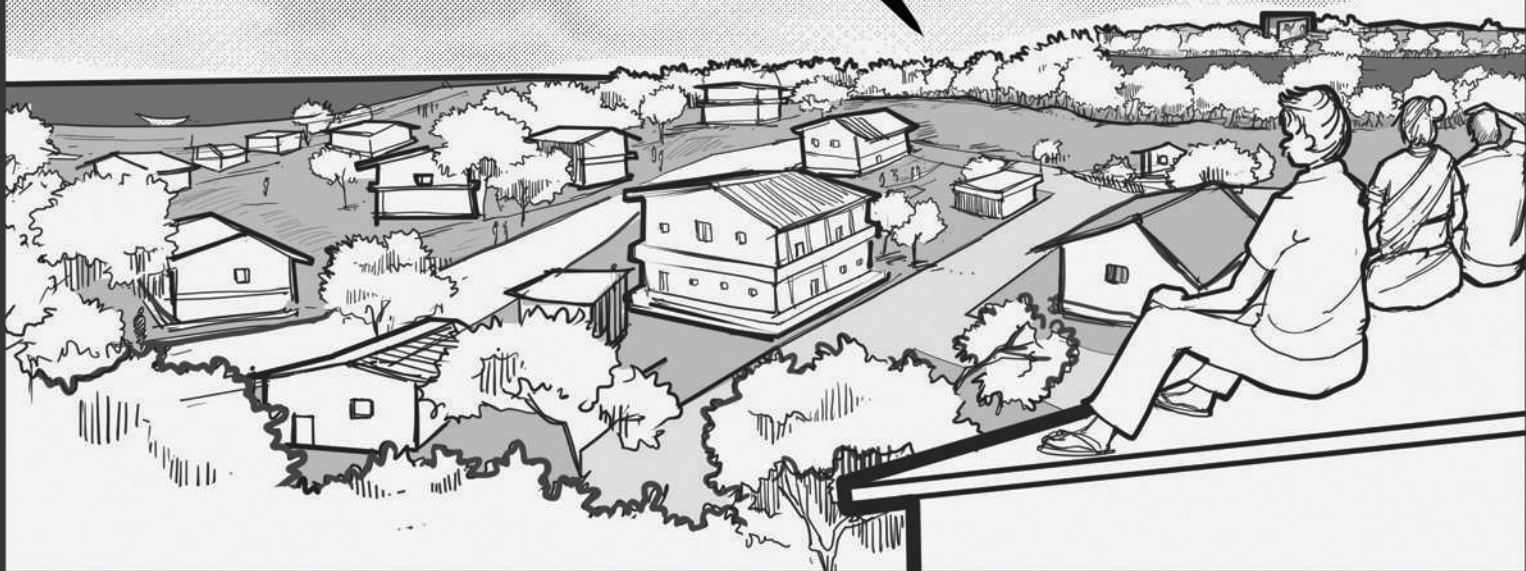


# VITHAL BHASKAR CHAWL

A GRAPHIC NOVEL

#2 - THE CONTRACTORS





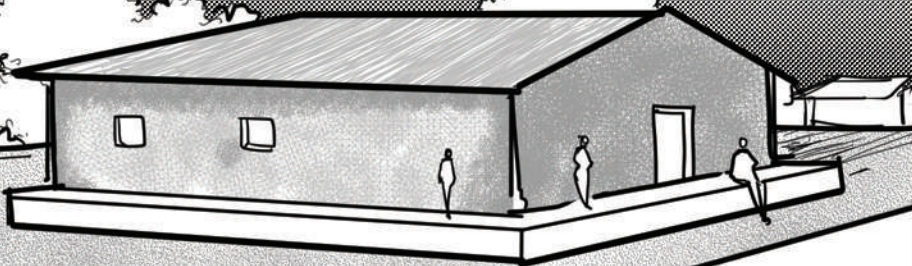
#2

ONE FINE MORNING, PRADEEP\* GOES TO JOSEPH'S\* OFFICE.



1897

VITHAL BHASKAR CHAWL IS ONE OF THE OLDEST STRUCTURES IN OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD. AT THE TIME, IT WAS A GROUND STOREY STRUCTURE BUILT OF MUD AND STONE.



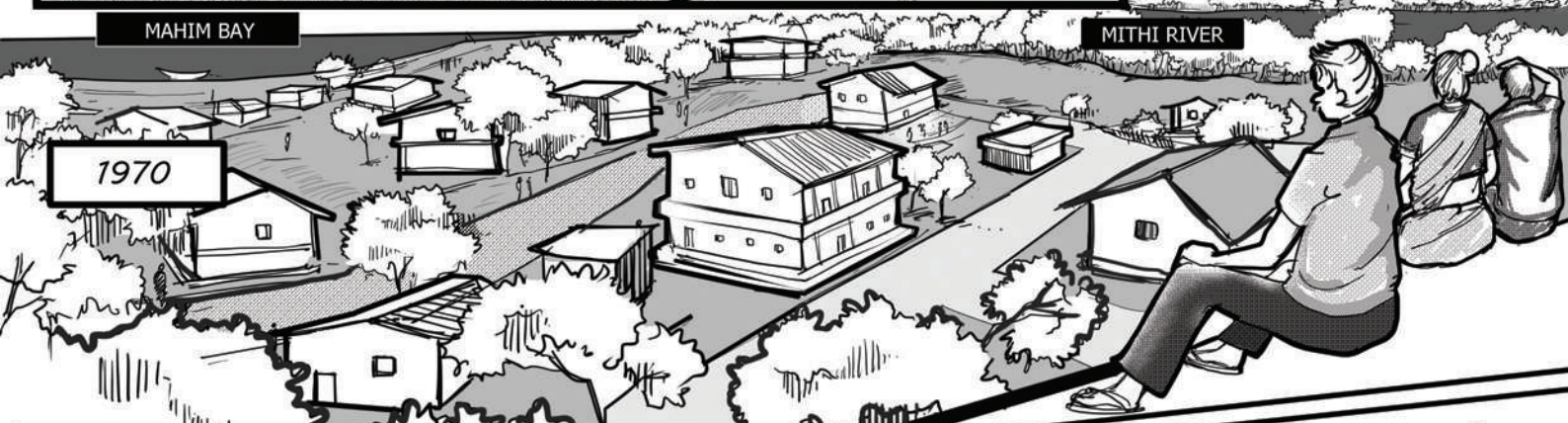
THERE WERE FEWER HOUSES, ONE COULD SEE AS FAR AS THE MAHIM BAY ON ONE SIDE AND ACROSS THE MITHI ON THE OTHER. ON SOME EVENINGS, WE WOULD GO ON THE ROOF AND WATCH MOVIES SCREENED IN THE OPEN AIR TALKIE.

OPEN AIR TALKIE

MAHIM BAY

MITHI RIVER

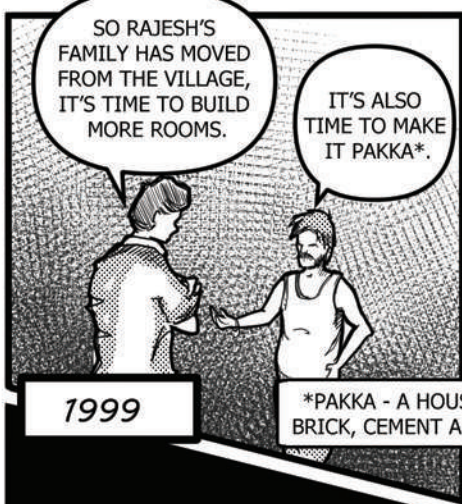
1970



\*PRADEEP KOLI - RESIDENT OF VITHAL BHASKAR CHAWL (NAME HAS BEEN CHANGED TO MAINTAIN ANONYMITY)  
\*JOSEPH KOLI - LOCAL CONTRACTOR

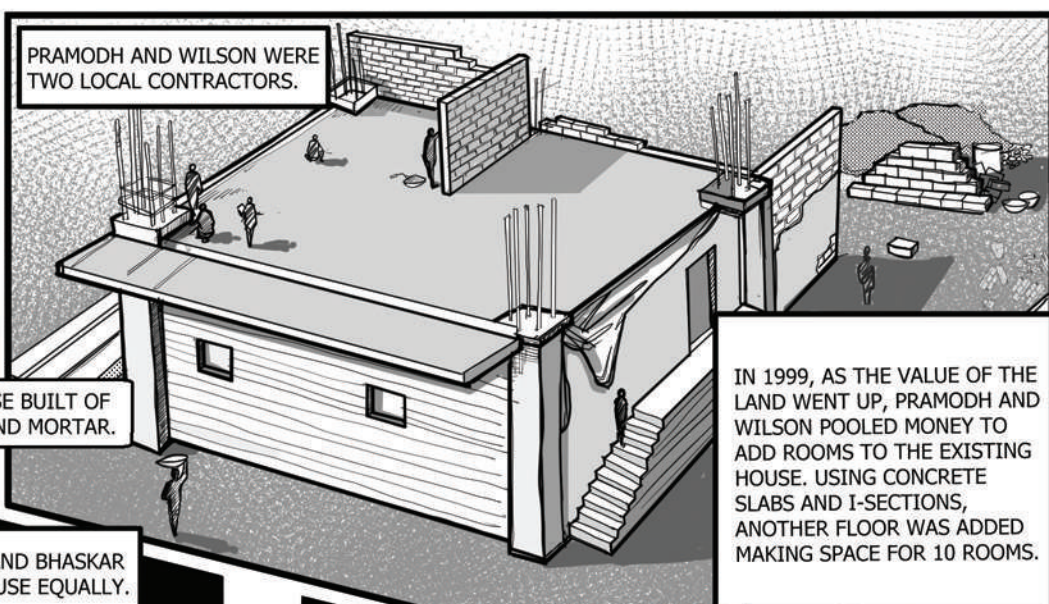
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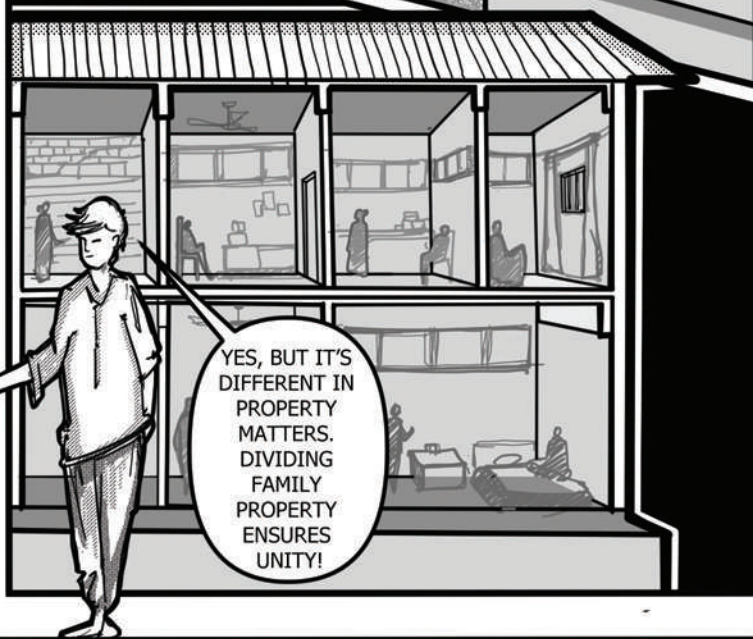
1999

\*PAKKA - A HOUSE BUILT OF BRICK, CEMENT AND MORTAR.

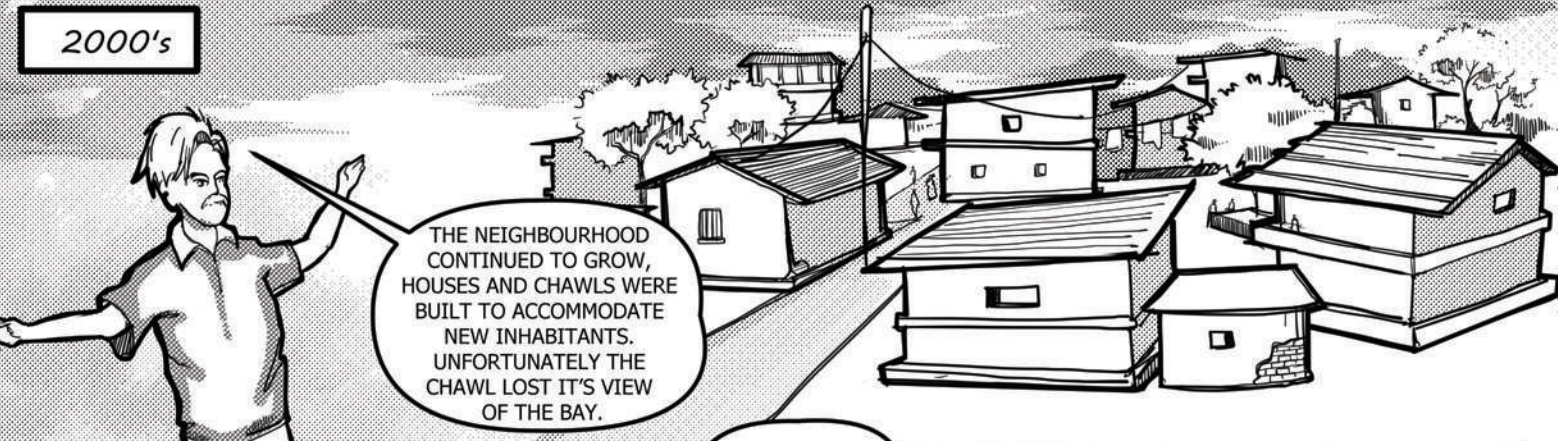


IN 1999, AS THE VALUE OF THE LAND WENT UP, PRAMODH AND WILSON POOLED MONEY TO ADD ROOMS TO THE EXISTING HOUSE. USING CONCRETE SLABS AND I-SECTIONS, ANOTHER FLOOR WAS ADDED MAKING SPACE FOR 10 ROOMS.

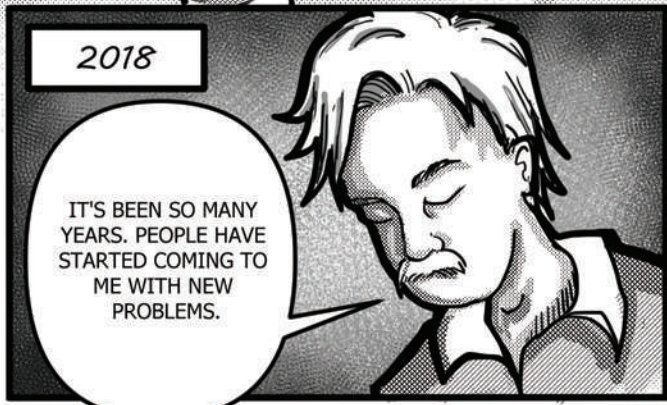
THIS WAS WHEN BROTHERS, VITHAL AND BHASKAR DECIDED TO SPLIT THEIR SHARED HOUSE EQUALLY.



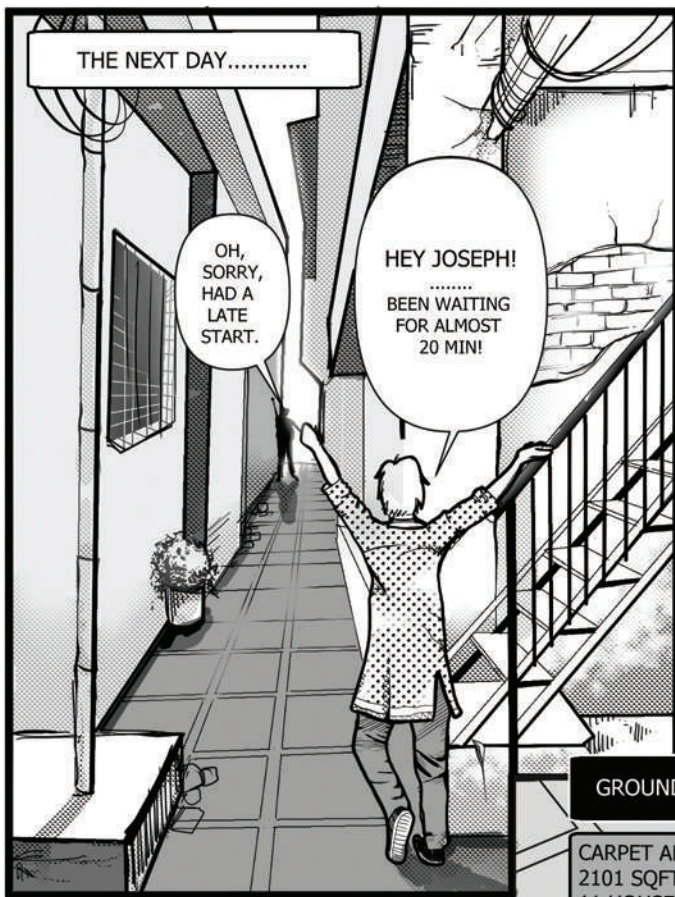
2000's



2018

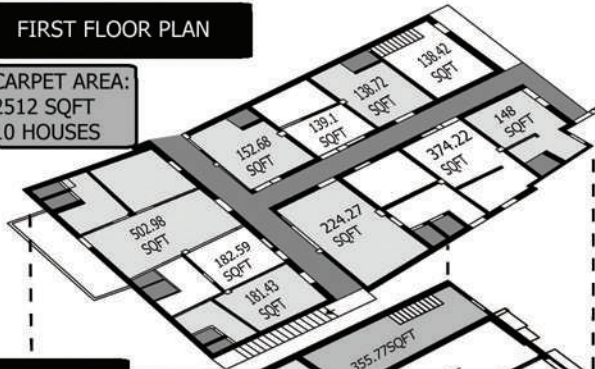






### FIRST FLOOR PLAN

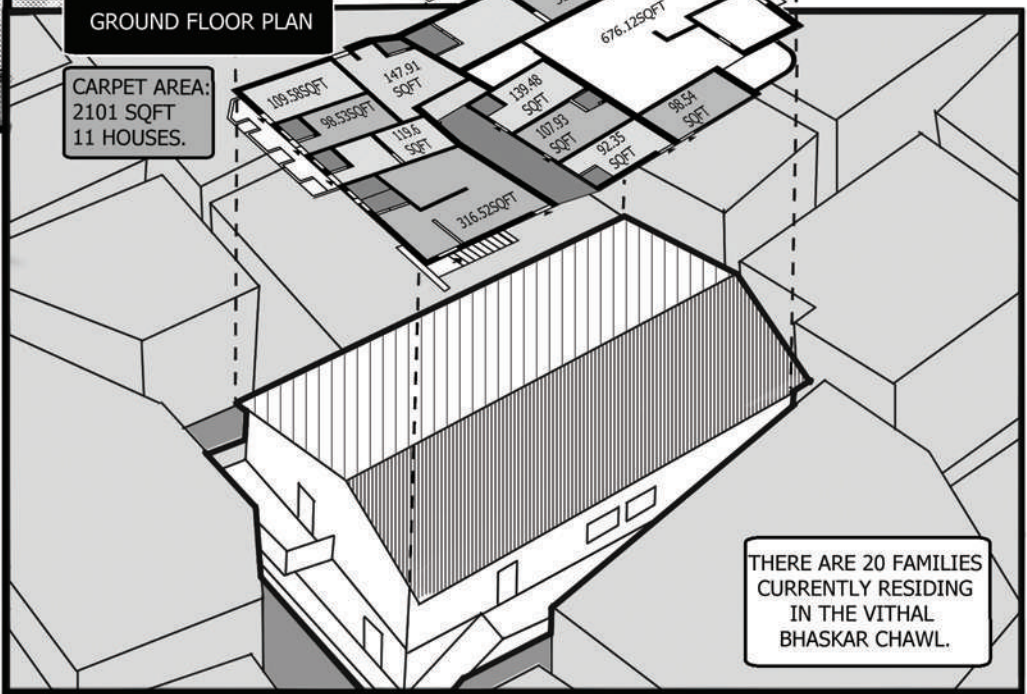
CARPET AREA:  
2512 SQFT  
10 HOUSES



THE GRADUAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE CHAWL MEANS THAT, THE FLOW OF SPACES COULD SOMETIMES BE BLOCKED AND SOME OF THE HOUSES LACK LIGHT AND VENTILATION.

### GROUND FLOOR PLAN

CARPET AREA:  
2101 SQFT  
11 HOUSES.



THERE ARE 20 FAMILIES CURRENTLY RESIDING IN THE VITHAL BHASKAR CHAWL.

