



# Auroville Green Practices



**Regenerative Townships of Tomorrow**

**Sustainable Development  
but.....  
what do we want to “sustain”?**

*“Thus has come about the present status of the evolution of which man is the now apparent culmination but not the real ultimate summit; for he is himself a transitional being and stands at the turning-point of the whole movement.”*

Sri Aurobindo



*“At present mankind is undergoing an evolutionary crisis in which is concealed a choice of its destiny; for a stage has been reached in which the human mind has achieved in certain directions an enormous development while in others it stands arrested and bewildered and can no longer find its way.*

Sri Aurobindo

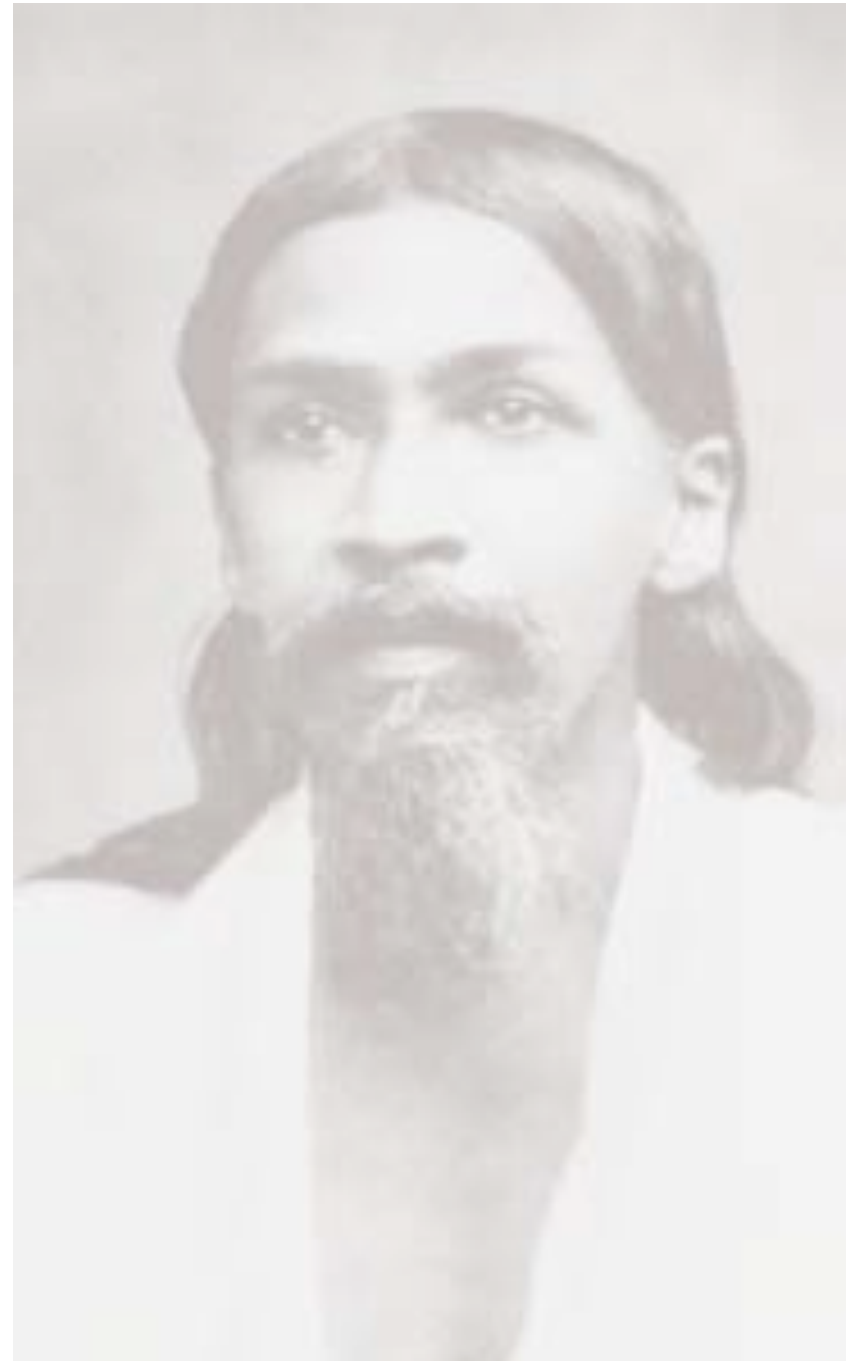




*“In our present life of Nature, in our externalised surface existence, it is the world that seems to create us; but in the turn to the spiritual life it is we who must create ourselves and our world.*

*In this new formula of creation, the inner life becomes of the first importance and the rest can be only its expression and outcome.”*

Sri Aurobindo



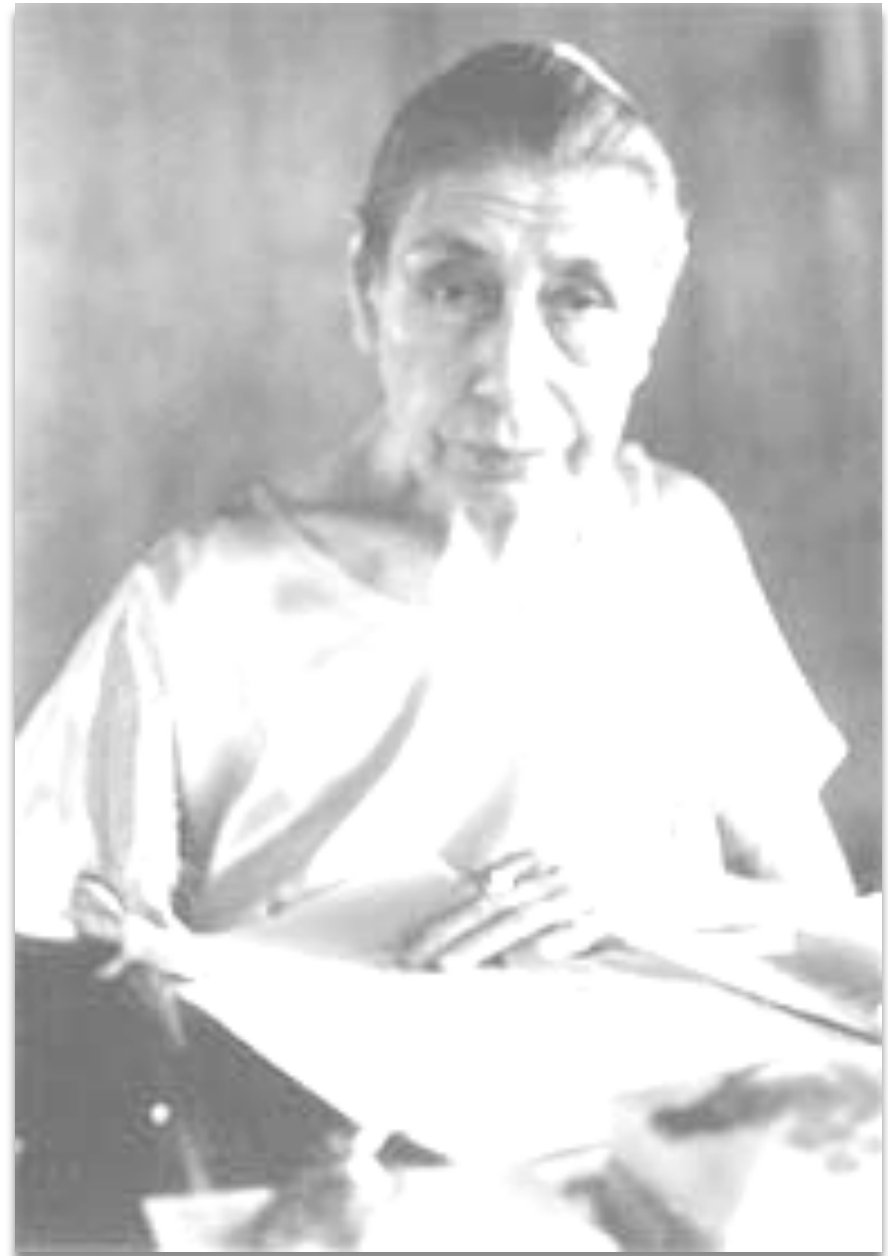
*“Humanity is not the last rung of the terrestrial creation.*

*Evolution continues and man will be surpassed.*

*It is for each individual to know whether he wants to participate in the advent of this new species.*

*For those who are satisfied with the world as it is, Auroville obviously has no reason to exist.”*

The Mother



# Auroville



# Auroville's Charter

Auroville belongs to nobody in particular. Auroville belongs to humanity as a whole. But to live in Auroville one must be the willing servitor of the Divine Consciousness.

Auroville will be the place of an unending education, of constant progress, and a youth that never ages.

Auroville wants to be the bridge between the past and the future. Taking advantage of all discoveries from without and from within, Auroville will boldly spring towards future realisations.

Auroville will be a site of material and spiritual researches for a living embodiment of an actual Human Unity.

*The Mother – 28 February 1968*

28<sup>th</sup> feb 1968 inauguration







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yesterday



today

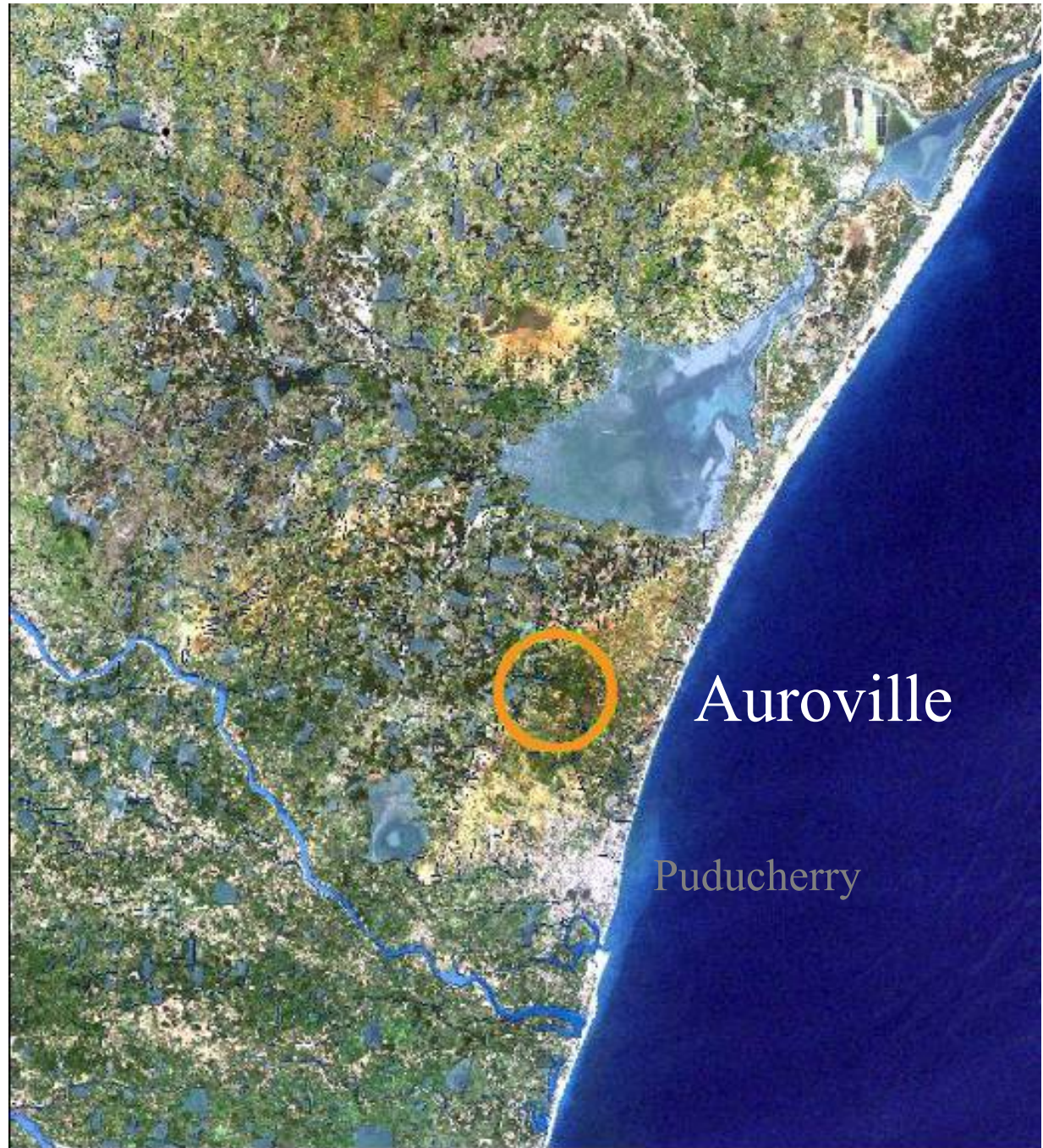


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In Tamil Nadu on the  
Coromandel coast





# Matrimandir the soul of Auroville



















# Learning



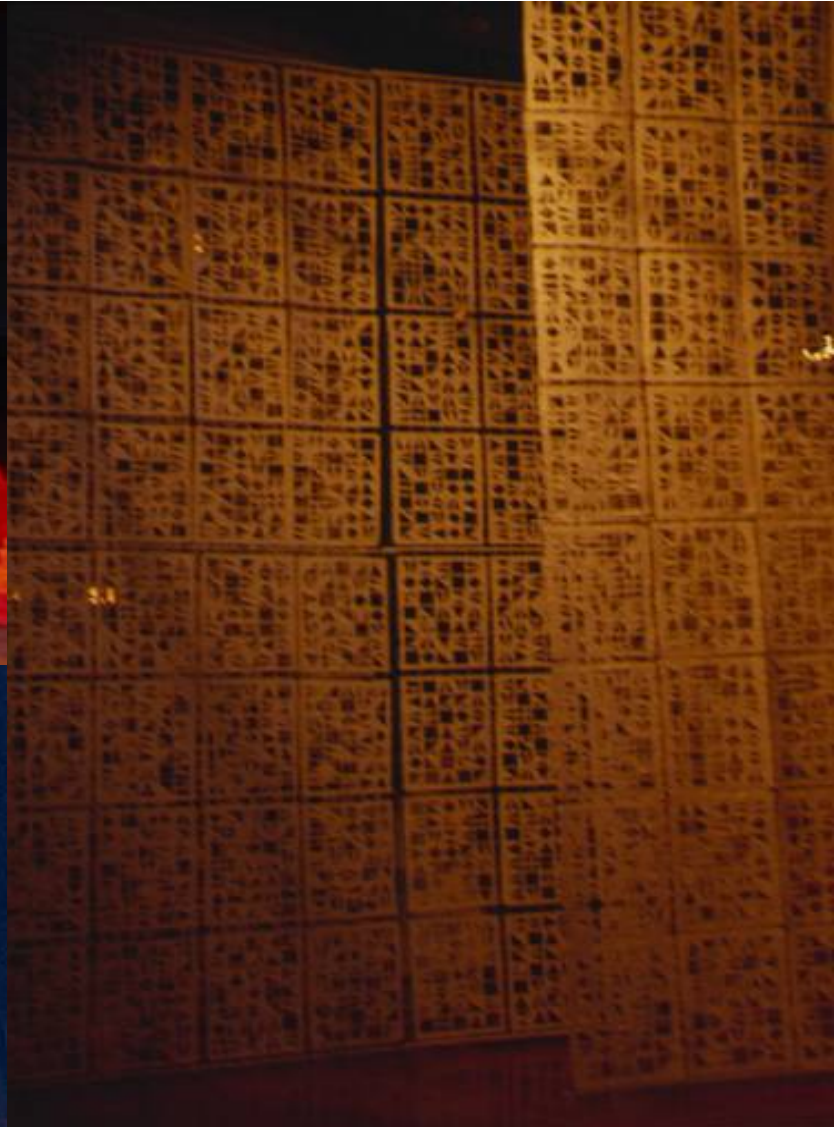


# Working





# Expressing





# Serving



# Caring



# **(Re)- searching**





# A collective life



# Architecture – the search for beauty in matter



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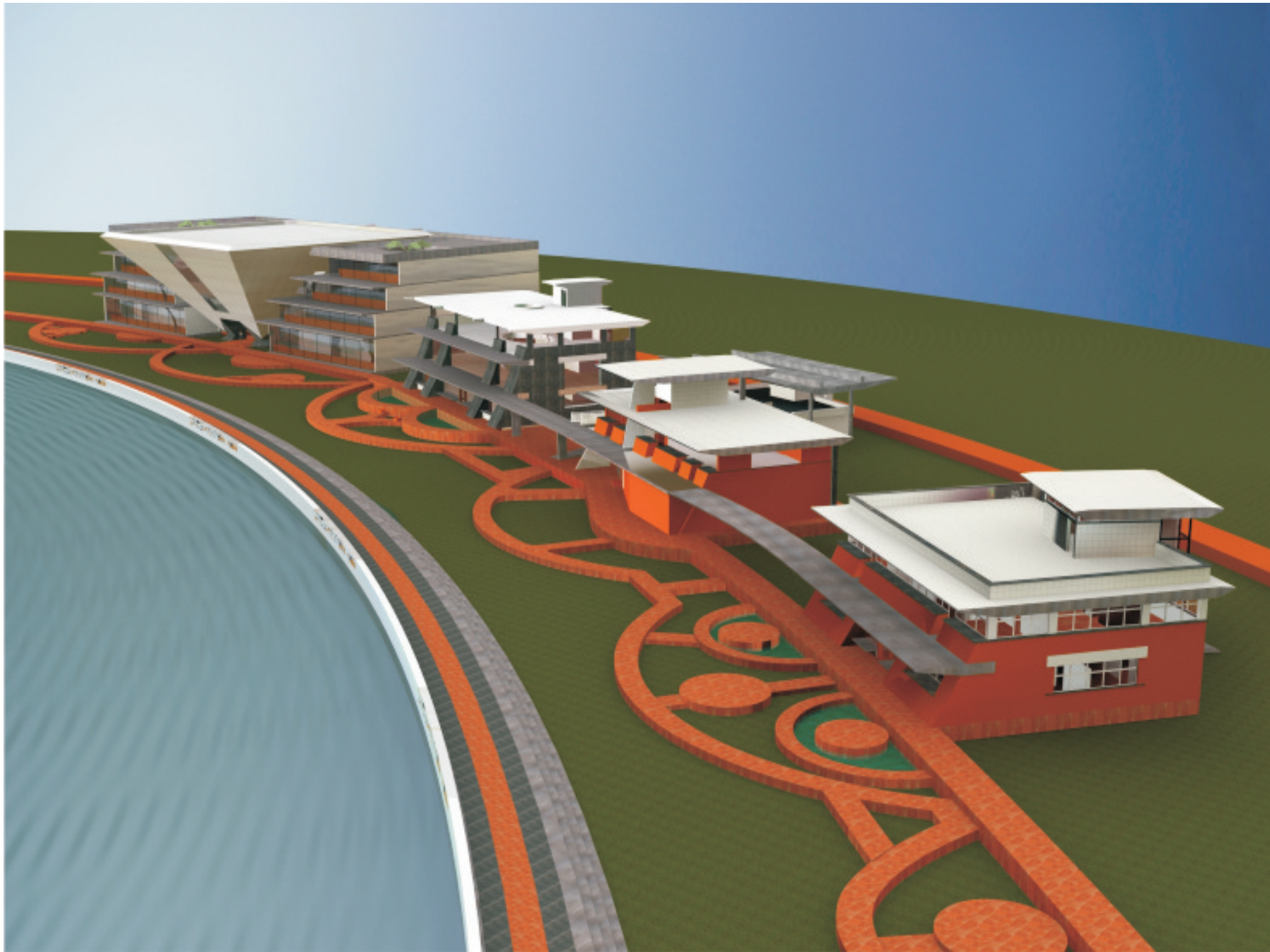


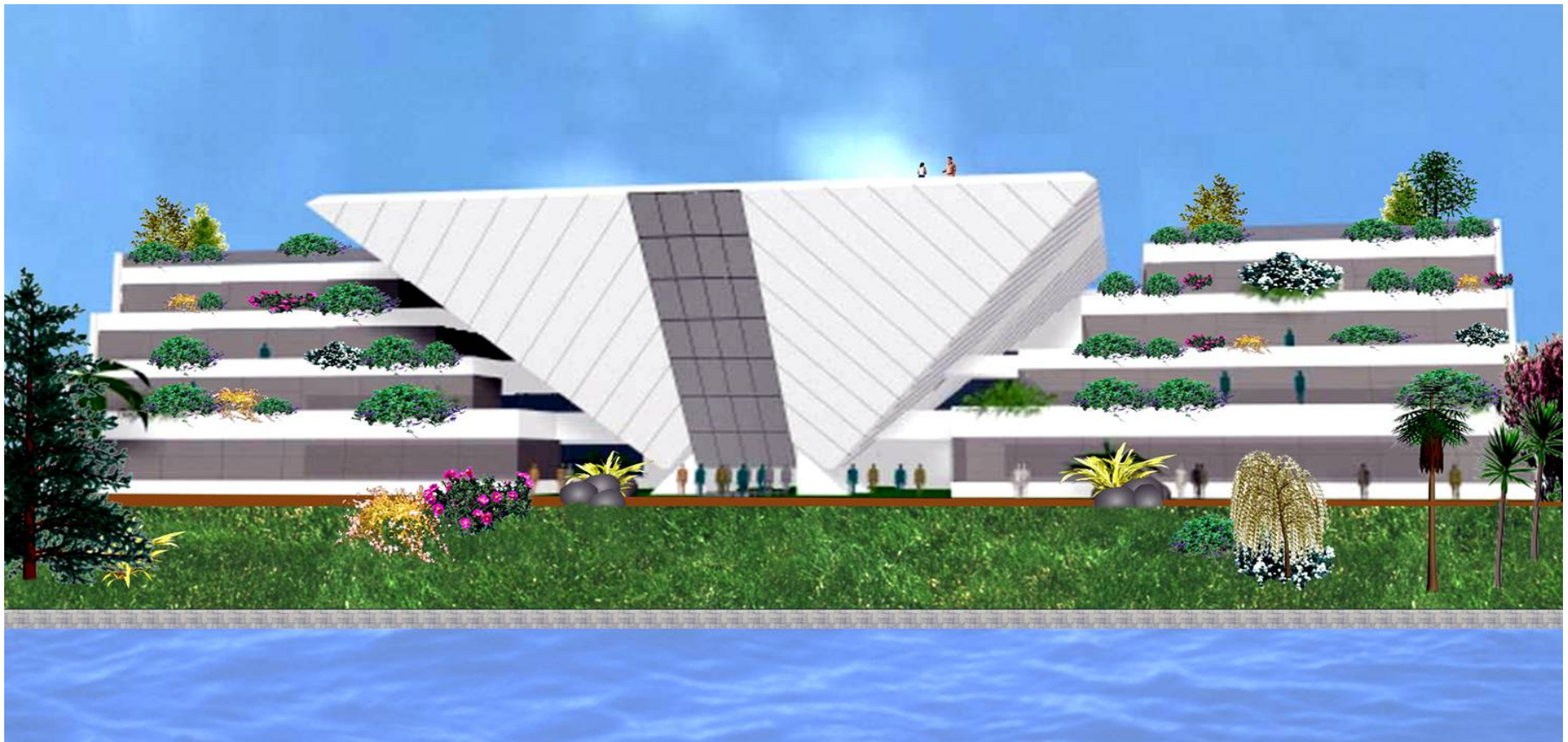
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# Yantra





# Kala Bhumi



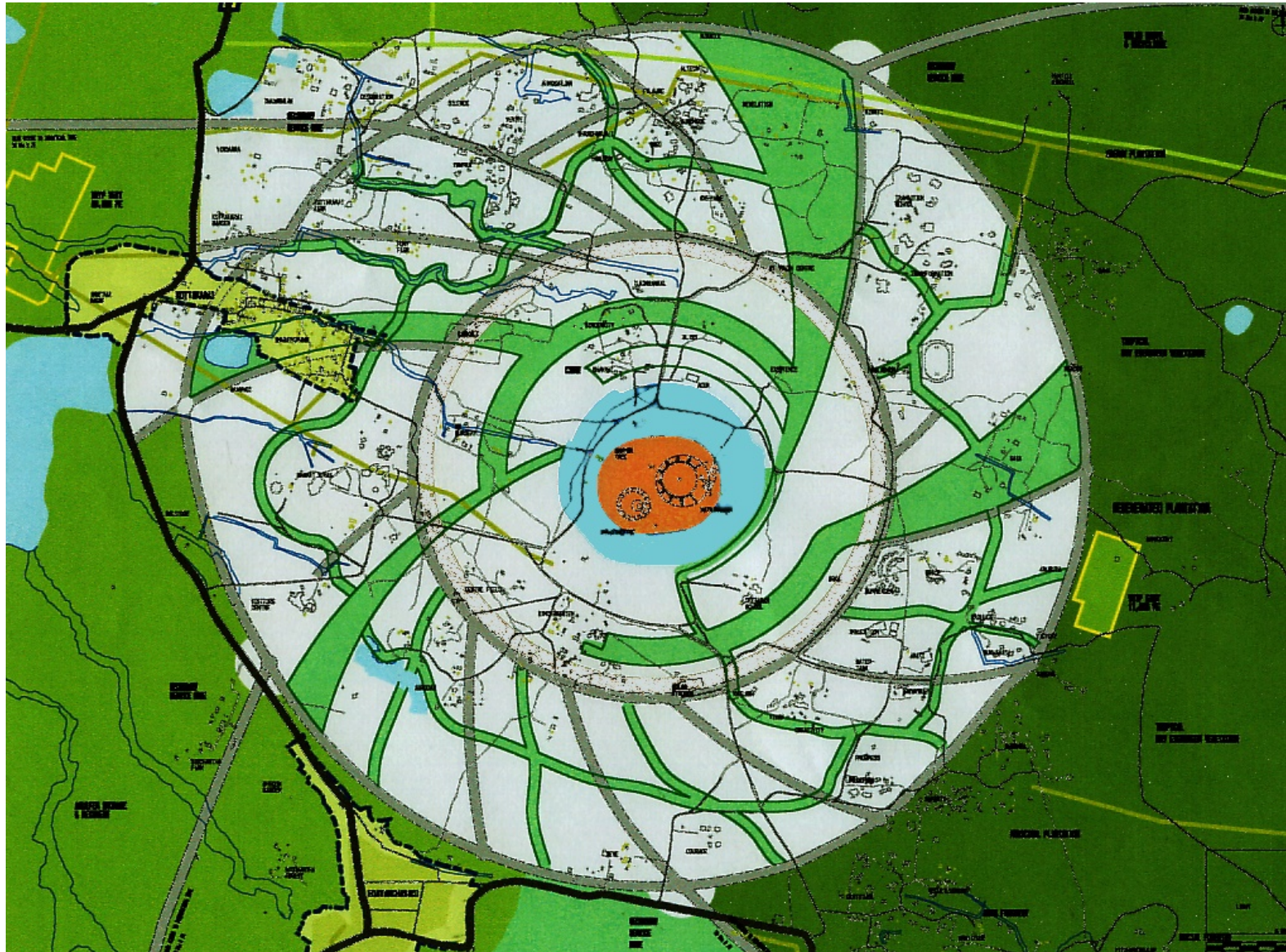


# Afsaneh guest house





# Urban & rural landscaping







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# Planned city area





# International zone







# Bharat Nivas auditorium



# Tibetan pavilion







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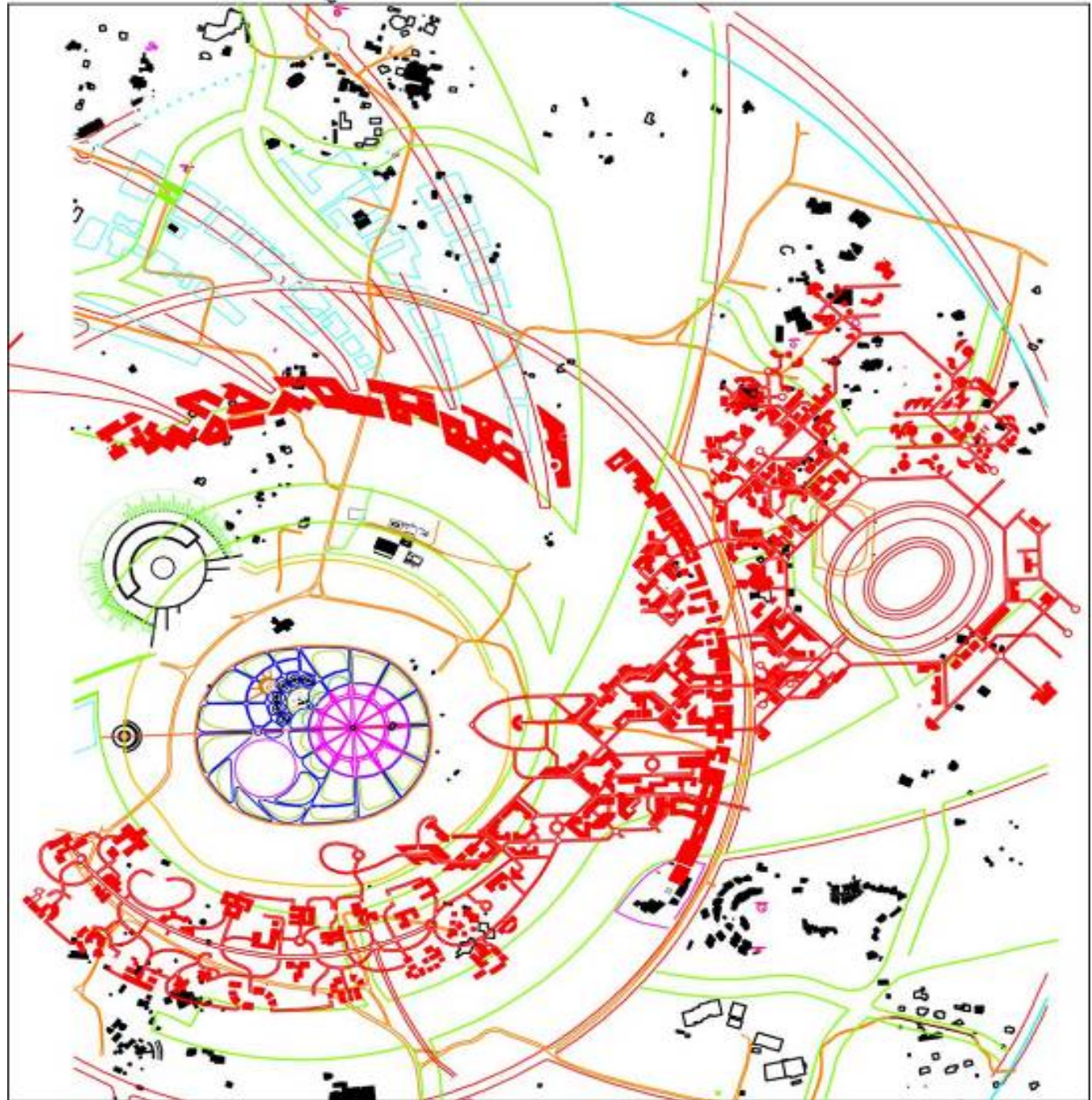


# Savitri Bhavan





# Cultural zone











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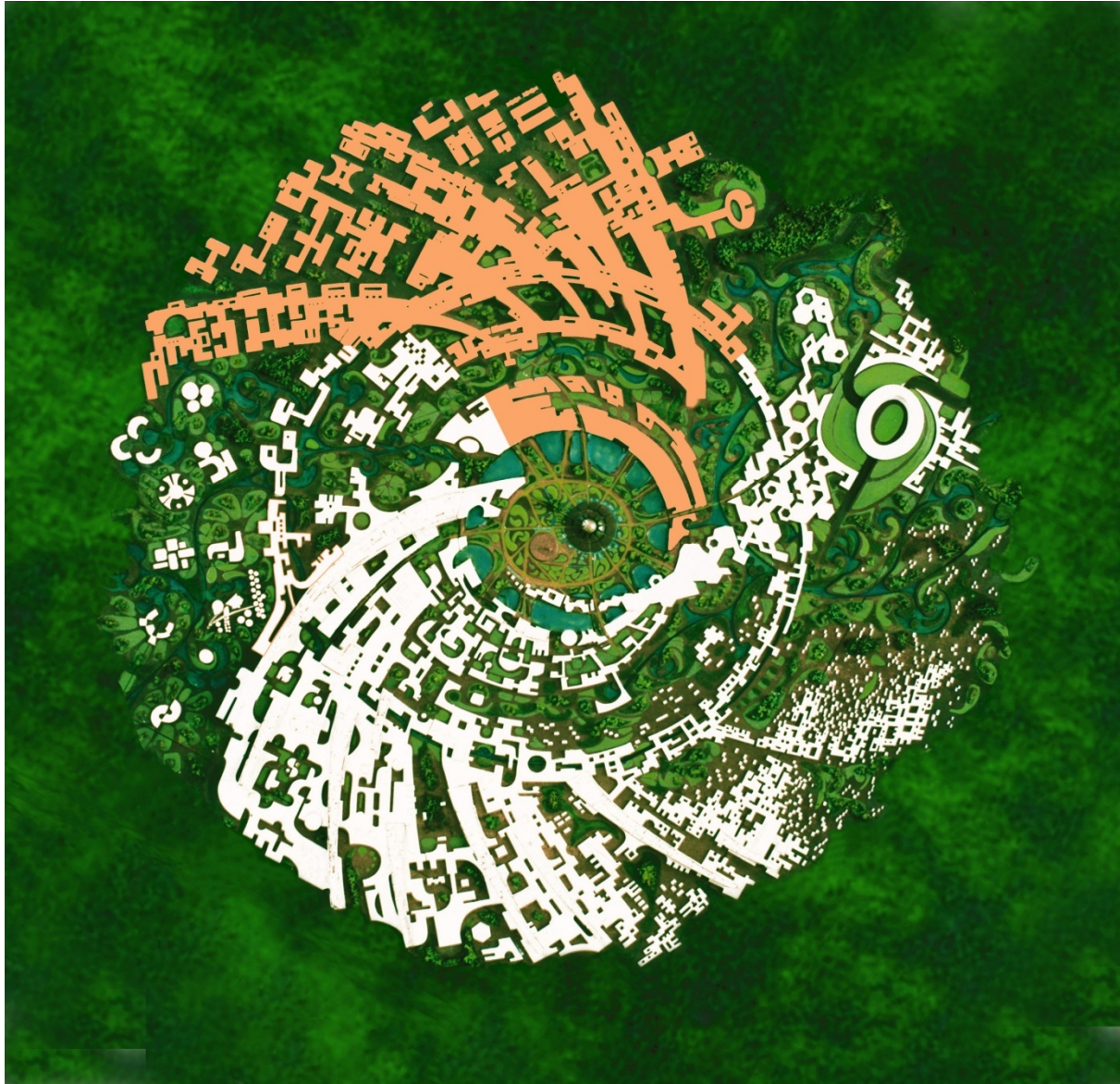








# Industrial zone









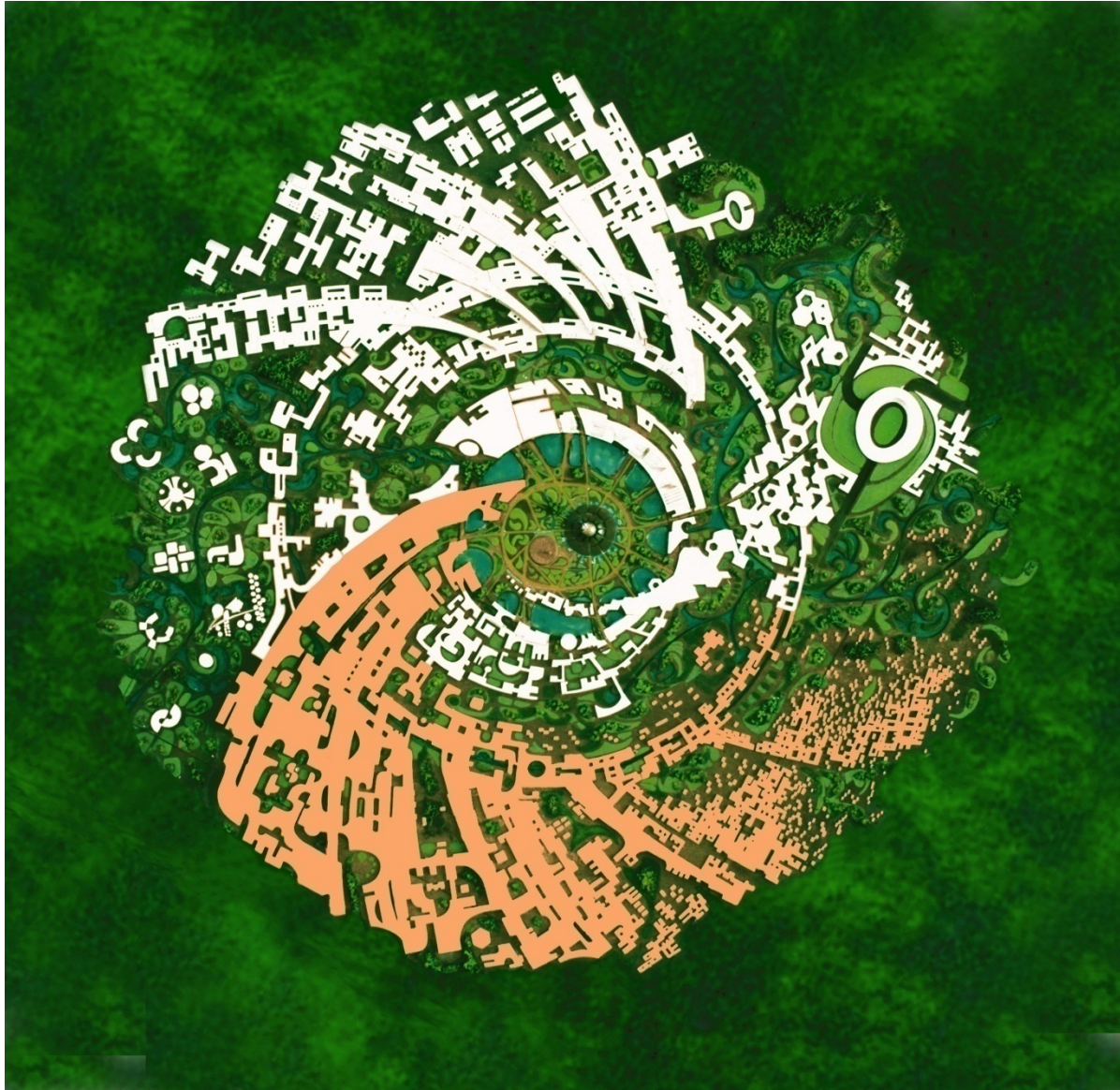








# Residential zone















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# Green belt





# Then....





# Now.....











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# Innovative building technologies



















# Energy













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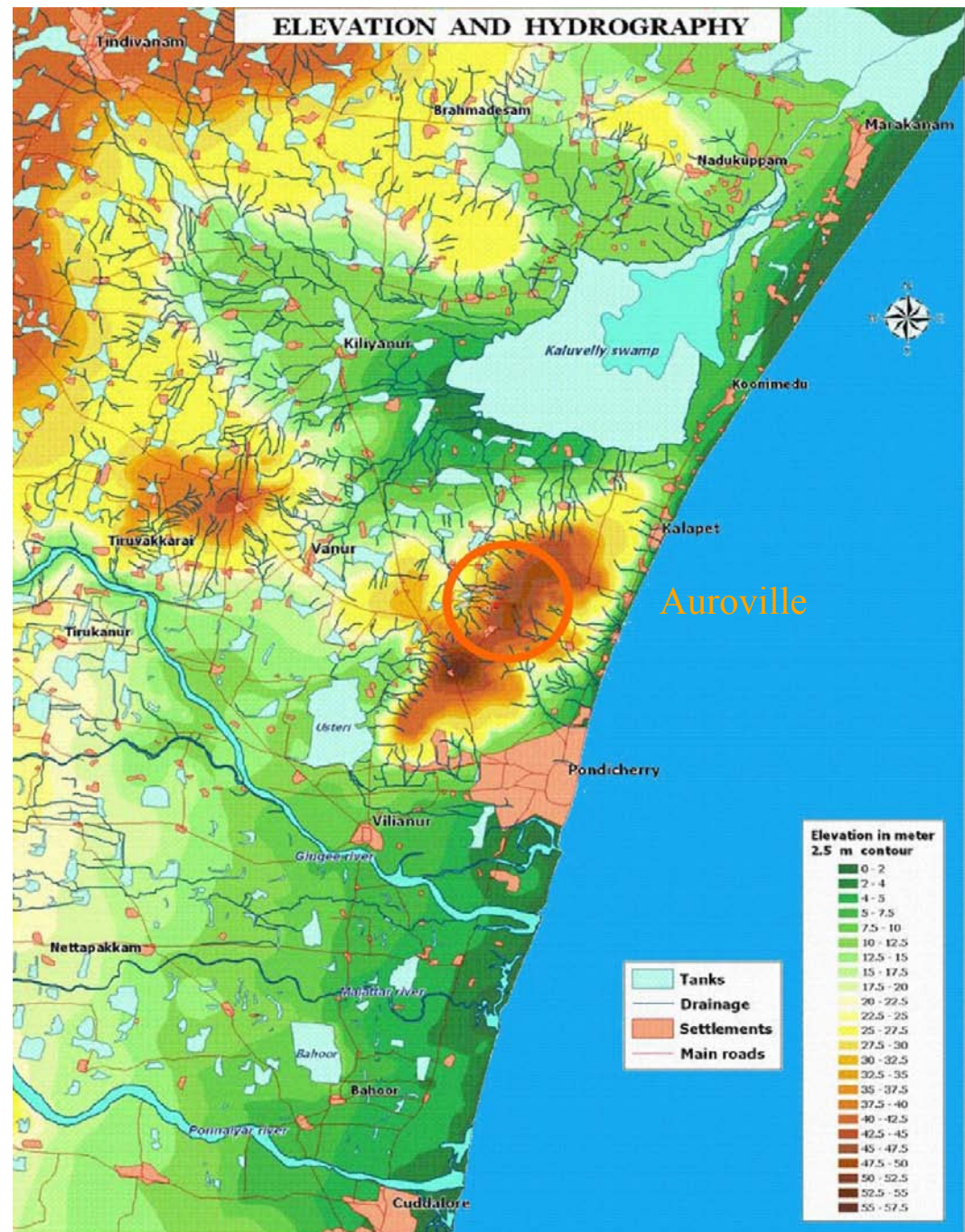
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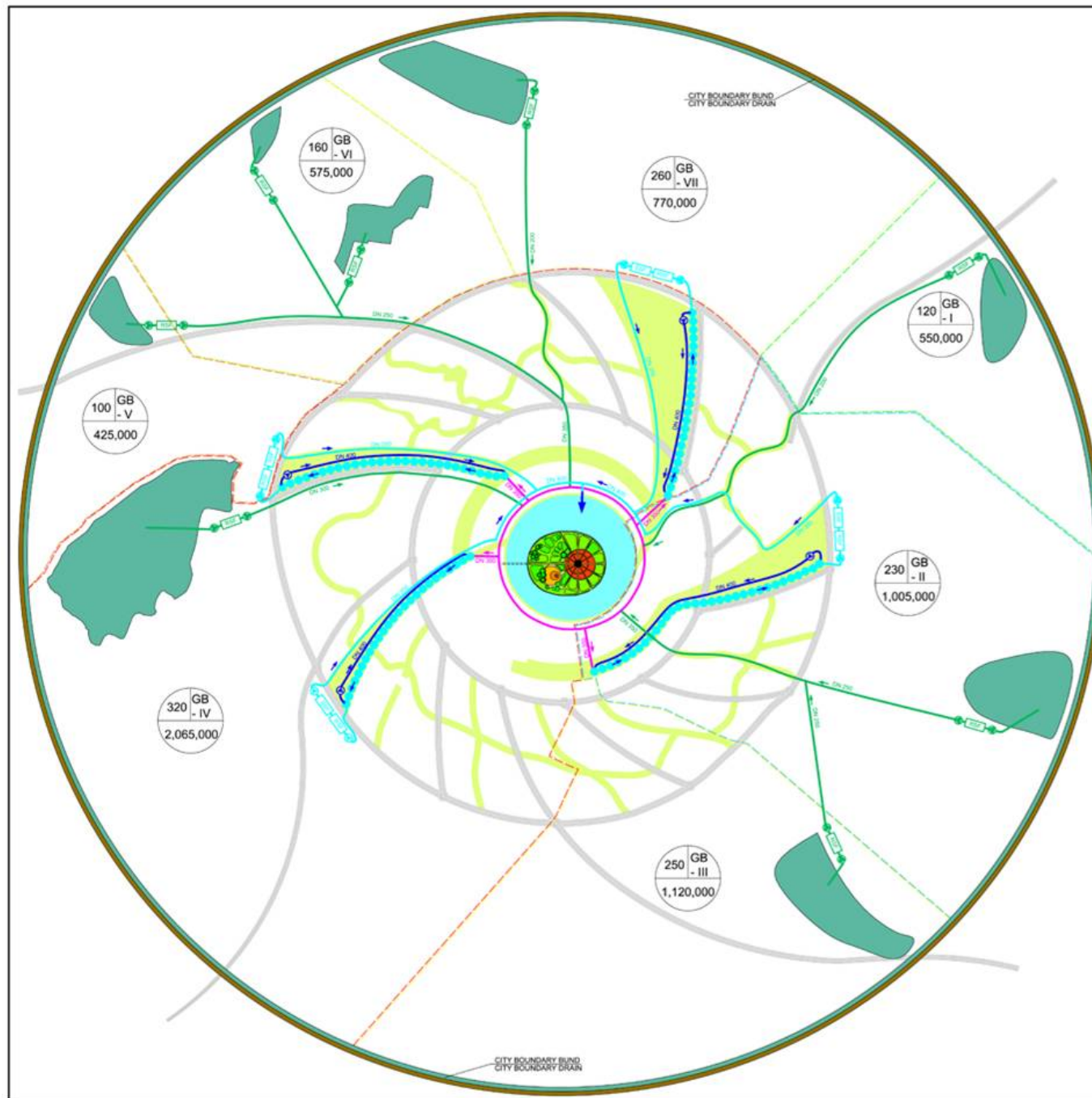




# Water









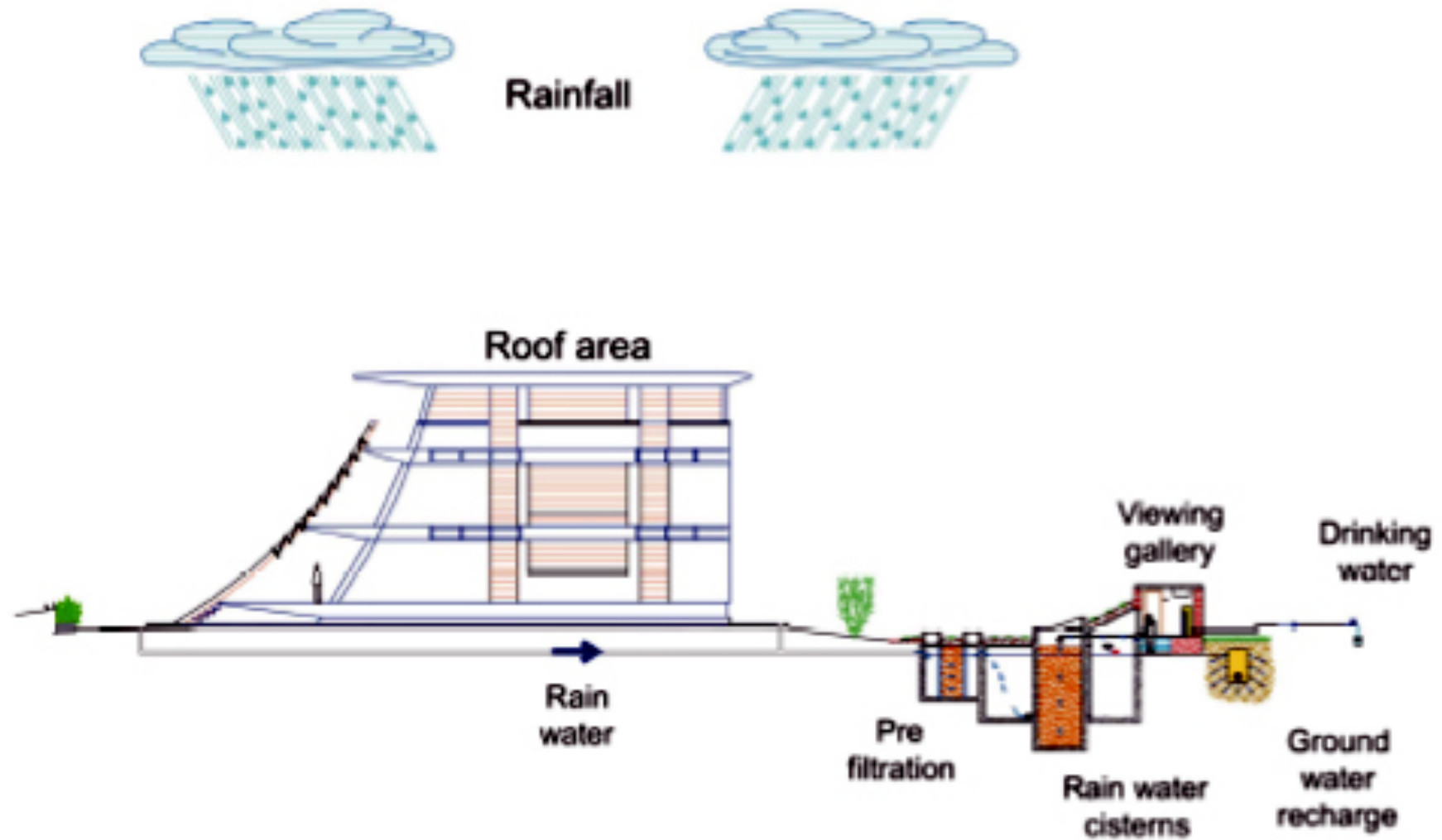
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**FIG 1 : Town Hall Annexe & Multimedia Centre complex  
Auroville**

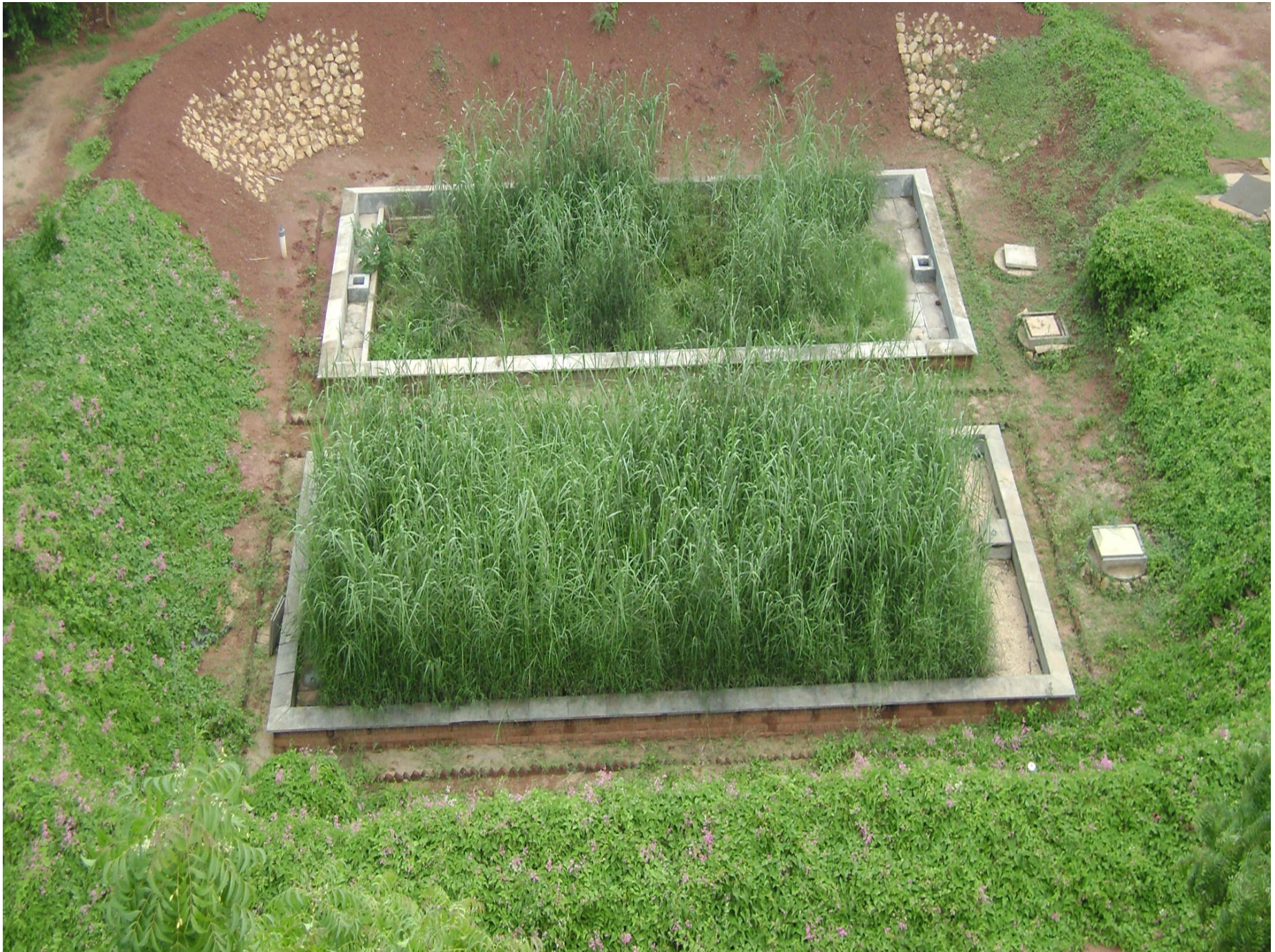


**SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM OF PROPOSED RAIN WATER HARVESTING SYSTEM**











# Organic farming





# Organic farming





# Auroville and the region





















# Mobility













# Sharing the Auroville experience







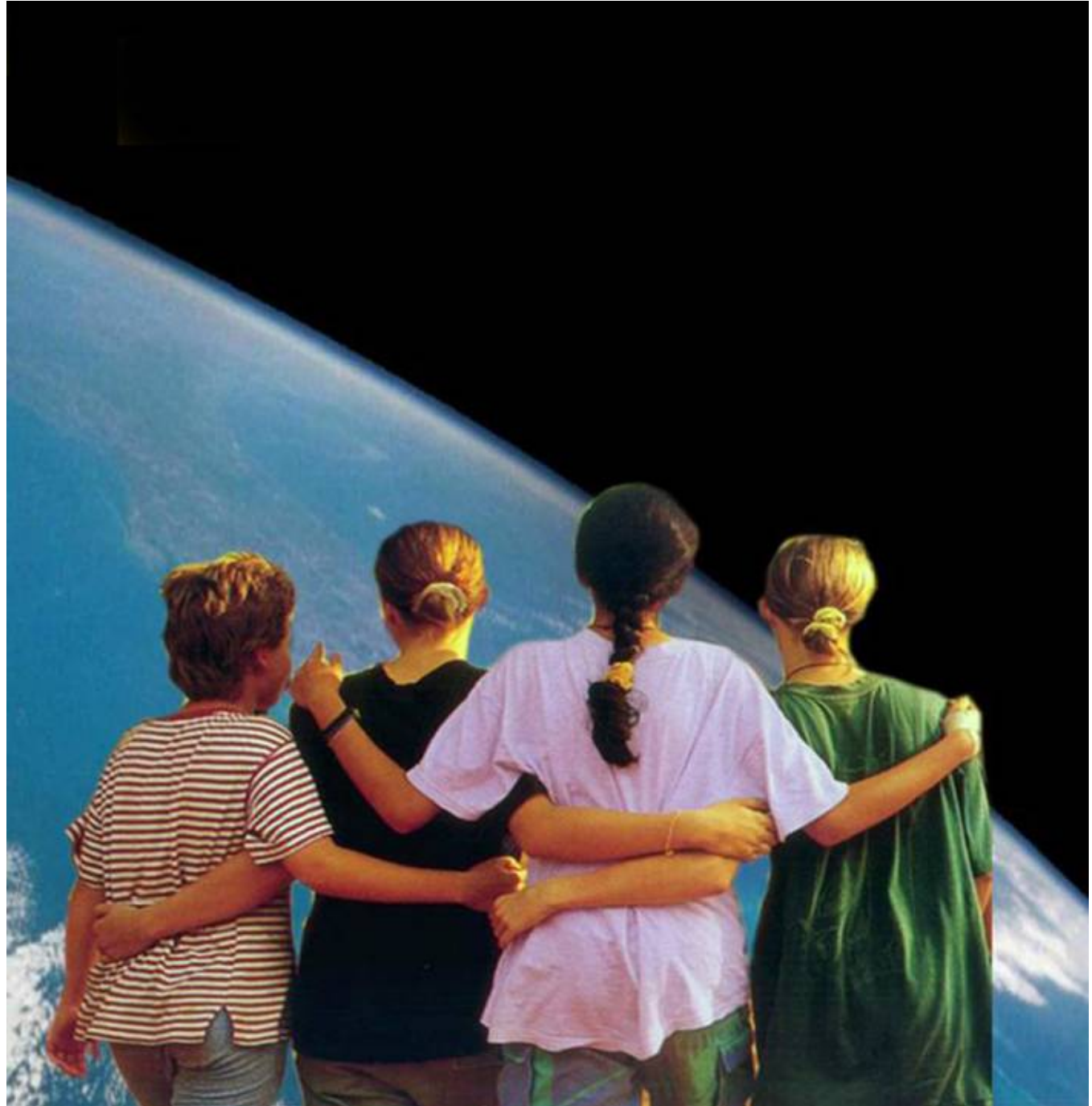
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# A city with a soul



**to realise  
human unity**





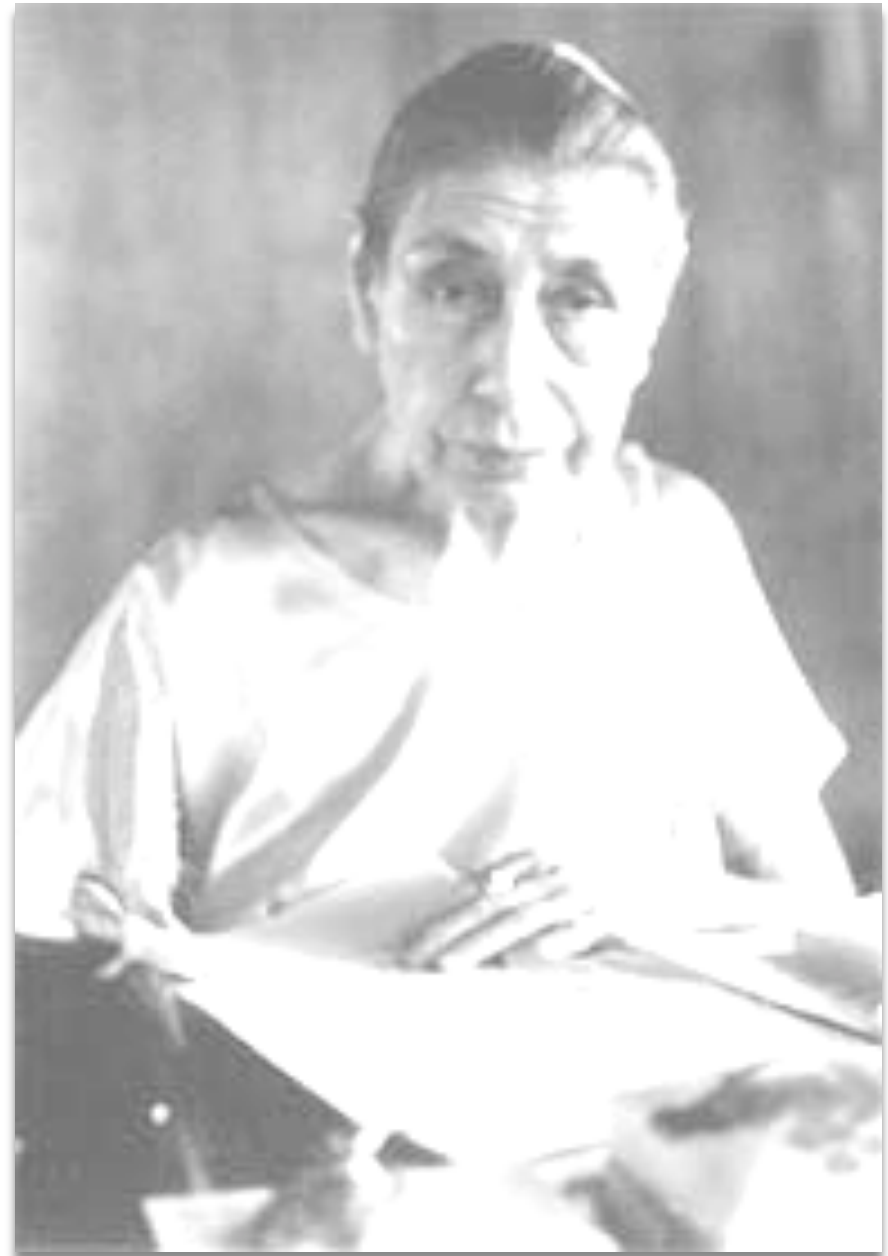
# unity in diversity



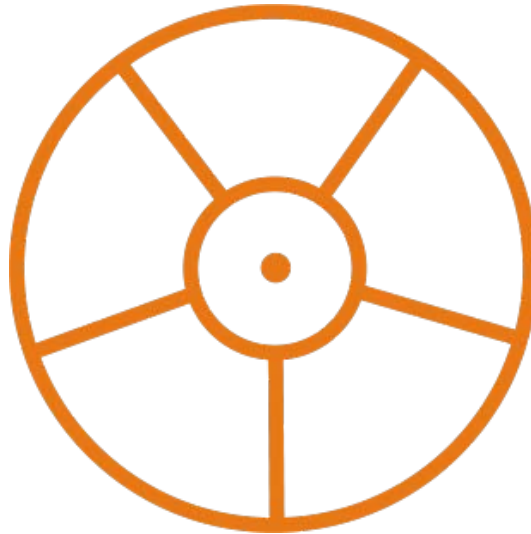
*“You say that Auroville is a dream.*

*Yes, it is a “dream” of the Lord and generally these “dreams” turn out to be true—much more true than the human so-called realities!*

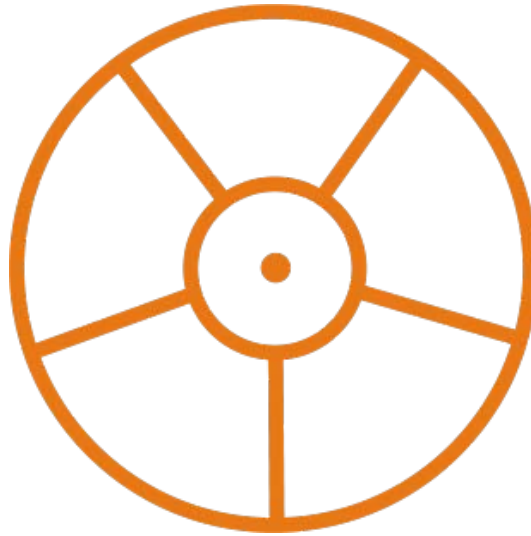
The Mother  
20.5.1966







# **Welcome to Auroville**



# **Welcome to Auroville Green Practices 2011**