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## The Rocking Office



Principal Details:
Client: Navbharat
Location: Hyderabad
Principal Designers: Arvind Shah, Bhakti Pote, Pragya Saghavi
Landscape Consultant: Pentaspace Design Studio
and Arvind Associates

## **Interior Designers and**

Facade Consultants: Pentaspace Design Studio Project: Navbharat Head office

The client wanted the working place to be full of energy, a state of art design as well as understated and minimalistic interior which should be friendly to maintain.

Located in Hyderabad, India, the Nava Bharat office designed by Pentaspace Design Studio and Arvind Associates is one of the unusual ones. This head-office had to incorporate what the company stands for in their diversified field of businesses.

The Designers, while designing the space had the option of either chiselling a massive granite boulder from the centre of the site or infusing it within the space as an informal design element, they chose the latter. "Our first glance of the boulder made us want to retain it as a conspicuous symbolic feature. We decided to make the boulder and atrium the focal point of the office and plan the entire functional space around it." say the Designers.



Wrapped around a massive granite boulder, this office space in Hyderabad was designed keeping sustainability in mind. Giving preference to natural and local materials, the architects used three basic colour pallet; granite grey, white and Teak wood furniture to enhance the earthy appeal of this unique office.



"Minimizing the impact on environment shall be a guiding principle in all our business endeavors." The Moto of Nava Bharat laid the principal design concept for this project.



North side sky light ensures a soothing natural light throughout the year. On North West Side clear Double Glazed large windows are provided for more light, sound and heat insulation.

## Fact Box:

Build Area: 20,000 Sq Ft

Design Team: Amit Shah, Paresh Kanadia

Year of Completion: 2012 Photography: Prashant Bhat Although the massive chunk of rock takes up a healthy amount of usable open space, it compensates by offering crude nature at arm's length. Natural elements such as these in proximity infused within the interiors of a space create a contrasting experience; an amalgamation of sleek design with an abstract form that brings in the element of surprise and character to the design.

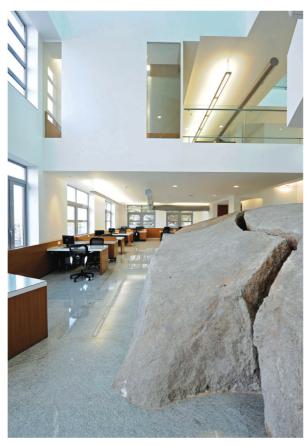
The architects also used glass facade to bring in natural light in the office spaces during the daytime. Layout and space were allocated as per the hierarchy of the management. Ground floor was allocated for reception, staff with meeting room and team heads. Upper floor was planned for top management with fully equipped board rooms and visitor's lounge. Terrace on the upper floor were designed exclusively as top management formal meeting space, whereas terrace on the lower floors were planned as a breakout area for the space. Keeping the space uncluttered by using minimum furniture they used simplicity as the best form of sophistication for this project.

## **Product Details:**

Wall paints : Nippon paint

Sealants and adhesives: ICA / Dow corning

Structural Glazing : Saint Gobain False ceiling : India Gypsum Networking : Systimax Switches : Juniper switches HVAC system : Daikin Staff Table : Dupont Montalle



Maximum staff area is planned along the East North side of the structure for maximum natural light. Overall neutral color palette is used to enhance the earthy appeal.



An open office concept, all the cabins were planned along the two side of the exterior walls with full height Glass for cabin partitions, creating more openness and visual contact