

# “Transformation of Architecture”

## Site Visits at Pune and nearby places

### Raja Dinkar Kelkar Museum

1. It was established in 1962.
2. Dr. Kelkar donated his collection to government of Maharashtra in 1975. There are about 20,000 objects of which 2500 are on display.
3. These consist of mainly Indian Decorative items from everyday life mostly from 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> century.

### Vishrambaug Wada

1. It was luxurious residence of Peshwa Bajirao II.
2. Now presently there is a post office on the Municipal Corporation. The small Museum of Maratha Artefacts put together by noted Maratha Historian Babasaheb Purandre, on 1<sup>st</sup> Floor.
3. The columns & beams are all made in wood.
4. The wada is famous for its fine entrance & the balcony with carved woodwork.
5. The PMC has undertaken the restoration work of wada.
6. As of 2004, Rs.2500,000 have been spent on the restoration work.



*Figure 1 Exterior View*



*Figure 2 Woodwork Carving in Interior Space*

## Shaniwar Wada

1. It was built in 1732, in Maratha Imperial Architecture style.
2. The fort itself was destroyed in a fire in 1828.
3. Now there are only the Plinth beams & compound wall which were constructed in stones.
4. The wada was built in 7 Floors, the whole structure was constructed in wood.
5. But now the remaining stone structure is maintained as a tourist site.



*Figure 3 Entrance View*



*Figure 4 Landscape*

## Pu. La. Deshpande Garden

1. It is also known as Okayama Friendship Garden.
2. This garden is built in Japanese style.
3. Different types of trees, shrubs, ground covers, climbers were planted over there.
4. There was a natural flow of water which is been spread across the garden.
5. It is built in area of 10 acres & well maintained.



*Figure 5 Landscape View*



*Figure 6 Seating Area*