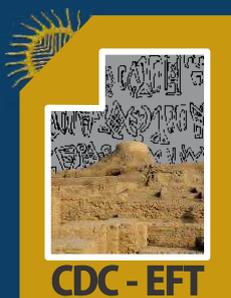


# GOBINDH RAM DARBAR

## Project Completion Report



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## Introduction

In olden days Manjhand was a main port on river Indus. Through Arabian Sea, it was connected with other ports of the world. The Merchants of Manjhand had opened their business centers in different corners of the world. Because of import and export this city was flourishing day by day. But after partition the Hindus of this trade centre migrated to India, due to migration and consecutive floods. This city was ruined. All the buildings and temples were collapsed and damaged. Manjhand Darbar is the only historical ruin left of that era.

According to the local people, the Darbar was built by Sant Gobindh Ram and was used for worship. Worshipers came from different parts of Sindh at the time of annual fair held at the Darbar. Around the Darbar there were quarters for worshipers. Some statues were displayed inside the Darbar but people took them away. Sufi poet and singer Kanwar Bhaghat Ram performed his last “Bhaghati” at this Darbar, before he was assassinated at Ruk station in December 1939. This is the local version, no written record so far available.

To save this historical monument, EFT had started restoration work on this Darbar from last week of August 2014, and completed in April 2015. In these few months, the main features of this historical place have been restored.



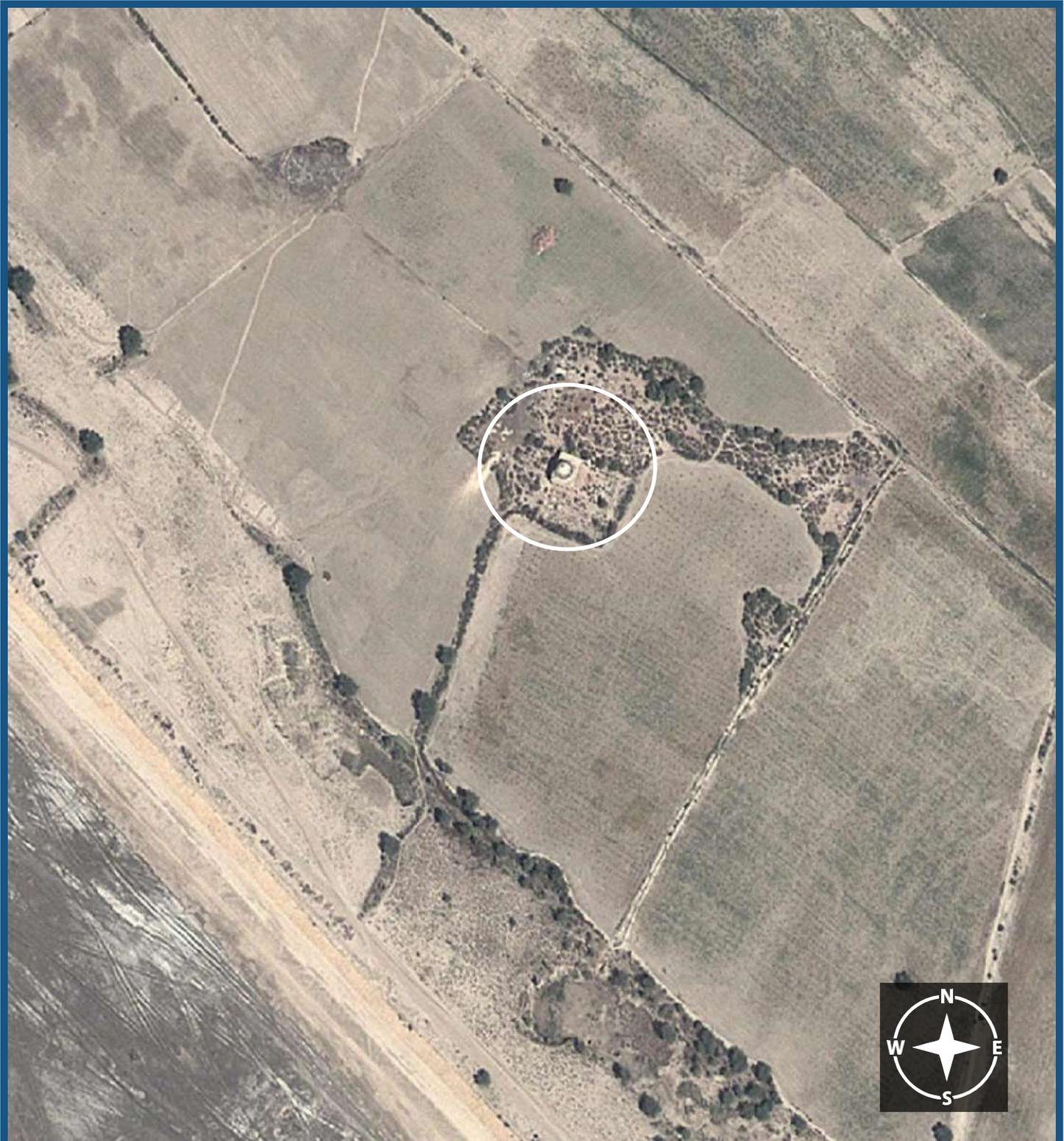
## Location

The Site is situated near Bacha Band in Taluka Manjhand District Jamshoro.

### Coordinates:

North 25° 54' 59.81"

East 68° 14' 03.34"



Satellite View

## Architectural Features

- ◆ Total area of site is 42521 sft, or 0.9762 acres surrounded by cultivated land.
- ◆ Darbar is constructed with bricks, mud, chiroli and lime finishing.
- ◆ Total area of darbar structure is 35'-9" x 38'-3" 1368 sqfts.
- ◆ Darbar is divided in to two portions, included verandas and central hall respectively.
- ◆ The first veranda is situated on the North side and other is situated at East side.
- ◆ Central hall is situated at south side facing.
- ◆ Segmental arches built in central hall, which linked to veranda.
- ◆ Flat arches constructed in veranda which opens outside of the darbar.
- ◆ Flat arches are also decorated with Tudor arch on outside of the north side verandah.
- ◆ Round arches are constructed at west side of darbar.
- ◆ Lower drum is in chamfer/ filleted rectangular shape which included four segmental arch style ventilators.
- ◆ Vaulted arches are constructed inside the corners of the lower drum having decoration with Tudor arches and honey comb pattern.
- ◆ Upper drum is in octagonal shape.
- ◆ Dome constructed in Provincial style shape, resemblance to 15th century temples, also Jamia Masjid Jaunpur, Utter Pardesh, India.
- ◆ Ogee arch style niches are built in central hall and also in verandah.
- ◆ Fresco work is visible in the interior walls and ceiling of the Darbar.



## Condition Report

- ◆ There were rooms and verandas connected to central portion but they are completely destroyed except one hall in the north side and a portion of veranda in east having the signs of through roof but were destroyed and have two arches in either side.
- ◆ Due to Flood water and negligence, the building has developed cracks and fissures in the structures.
- ◆ Finial on the dome is completely destroyed.
- ◆ Minor cracks are appearing on the dome and plaster needs repair.
- ◆ Design on octagonal drum & Floral Pattern are completely destroyed.
- ◆ Cracks found in the circular arch of hall at northern side.
- ◆ Small niches with ogee arch constructed with carved bricks are damaged.
- ◆ Interior walls decorated with fresco work needs treatment.
- ◆ Floor tiles completely destroyed.



## Action Plan

- ✓ Construction of Temporary Site Office.
- ✓ Purchasing and Supply of Constructions Material & Equipment's.
- ✓ Construction of Water Reservoir Tank.
- ✓ Construction of Lime Mixing Tank.
- ✓ Restoration of Finial on Dome.
- ✓ Repair of Dome.
- ✓ Repair of Octagonal Drum & Design (Architectural Features).
- ✓ Repair of Plaster Work.
- ✓ Repair of Minor Cracks of Structure and Under Pinning.
- ✓ Final Touch of Color and White Wash.
- ✓ Fixation of New Doors.



**A musical program was arranged by custodian of Darbar in honor of Endowment Fund Trust to appreciate the restoration of Darbar**

## Progress of Work

The restoration work has been started in the month of August 2014, and completed in the month of April 2015, the progress according to month wise described below.

### August 2014 Progress

- ◆ The EFT team started the restoration work at Gobindh Ram Darbar in the last week of August 2014.
- ◆ Construction Material and other tools are purchased.
- ◆ Temporary Office is Established.
- ◆ Supervisor and Labors from Hyderabad are shifted at site.
- ◆ One tank for lime mixing is constructed.
- ◆ Construction of water tank is under process.

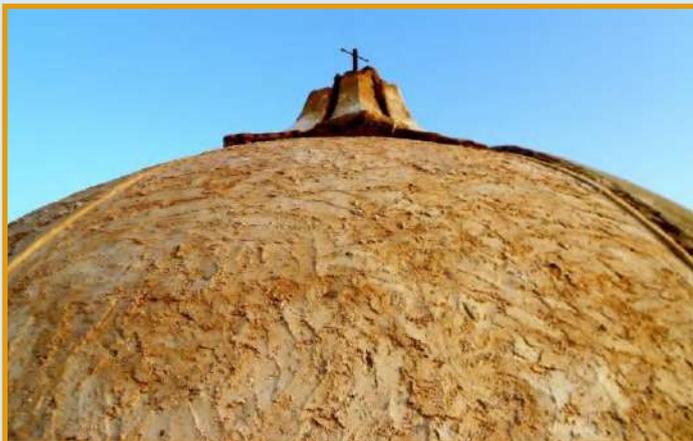
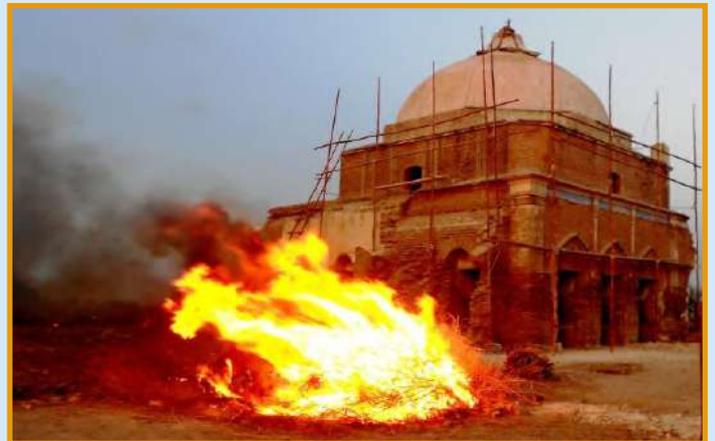


**EFT team reached at site to start the work**

## Progress of Work

### September 2014 Progress

- ◆ Constructed water tank.
- ◆ Constructed lime mixing tank.
- ◆ Scrapping at Dome.
- ◆ 1st coating of Chirolis has been completed.
- ◆ 2nd coating of Chirolis has also been completed.
- ◆ 1st coating of lime has been done.
- ◆ 2nd coating of lime is in progress.
- ◆ Concluding all - we have completed 30% of the work, still 70% is remaining.



Chirolis Coating



Water and Lime Tank

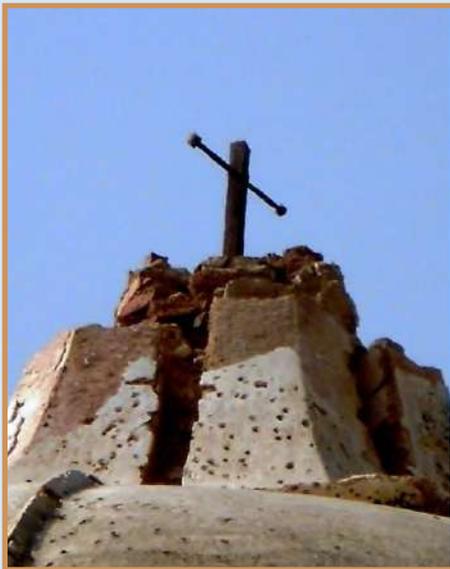


Under Pinning

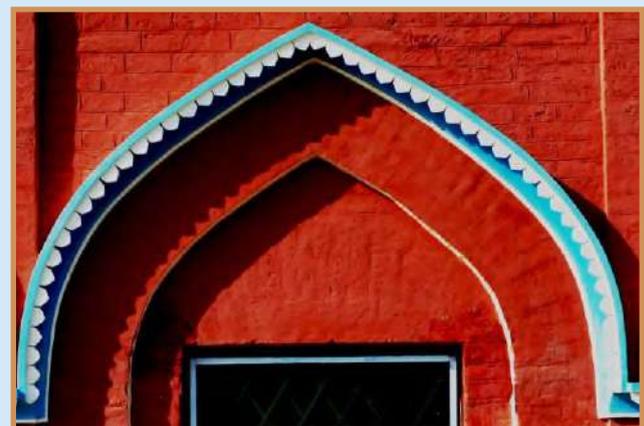
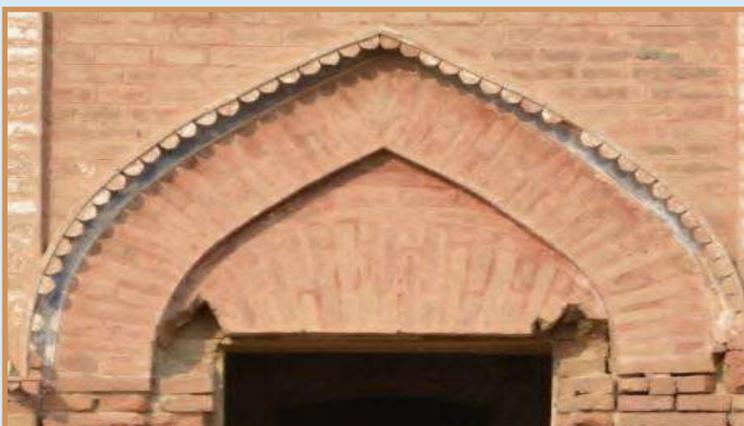
## Progress of Work

### October 2014 Progress

- ◆ Constructed water tank.
- ◆ Constructed lime mixing tank.
- ◆ Scrapping at Dome.
- ◆ 1st coating of Chiroli has been completed at dome.
- ◆ 2nd coating of Chiroli has also been completed at dome.
- ◆ 1st coating of lime has been done at dome.
- ◆ 2nd coating of lime is in progress.
- ◆ New Finial are fixed at Darbar.
- ◆ Under Pinning of Darbar is in progress.
- ◆ Concluding all - we have completed 50% of the work, still 50% is remaining.



Fixing of Finial



## Progress of Work

### November & December Progress

- ◆ Constructed water tank.
- ◆ Constructed lime mixing tank.
- ◆ 1st coating of Chiroli has been completed at dome.
- ◆ 2nd coating of Chiroli has also been completed at dome.
- ◆ 1st coating of lime has been done at dome.
- ◆ 2nd coating of lime is completed.
- ◆ New Finial are fixed at Darbar.
- ◆ Under Pinning of Darbar is in progress.
- ◆ Coating of lime on the octagonal drum of Darbar is in progress.
- ◆ Restoration of Cornice of octagonal drum is in progress.



Restoration of Cornice

## Progress of Work

### January 2015 Progress

- ◆ New finial has been fixed on Dome at Darbar.
- ◆ Dome work has been completed.
- ◆ Coating of Lime on the octagonal drum has been completed.
- ◆ Restoration of design on octagonal drum & Floral Pattern are in progress, approximately fixed.
- ◆ Under pinning is in progress, approximately 20% work of underpinning is completed.



## Progress of Work

### February 2015 Progress

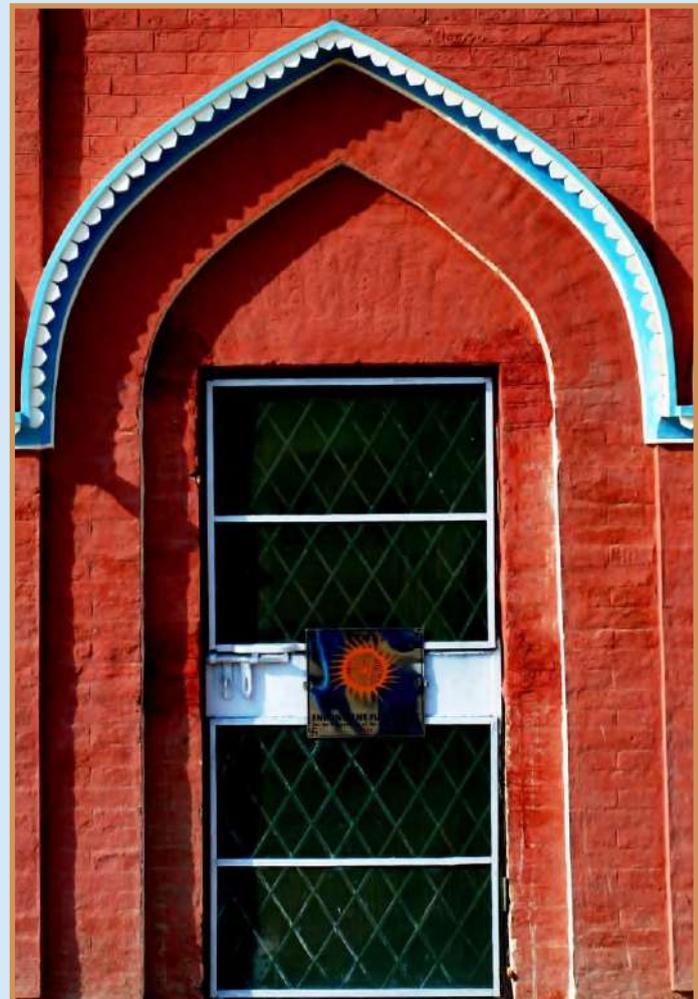
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- ◆ 2nd coating of lime is completed.
- ◆ Dome is finalized in all aspects.
- ◆ New Finial are fixed at the top of dome.
- ◆ Under Pinning of Darbar is in progress.
- ◆ Coating of lime on the octagonal drum of Darbar is ended.
- ◆ Restoration of cornice of octagonal drum is completed.
- ◆ Plantation around the structure are in progress.
- ◆ Flowery design around chaffered flitted rectangular drum is finished.
- ◆ Temporary few doors of the Darbar are closed with brunt bricks and mud mortar to support the cracked and weaken upper structure.



## Progress of Work

### March - April 2015 Progress

- ◆ Constructed water tank.
- ◆ Constructed lime mixing tank.
- ◆ 1st coating of Chiroli has been completed at dome.
- ◆ 2nd coating of Chiroli has also been completed at dome.
- ◆ 1st coating of lime has been done at dome.
- ◆ 2nd coating of lime is completed.
- ◆ Dome is finalized in all aspects.
- ◆ New finial is fixed at the top of dome.
- ◆ New finial is fixed at turret of Darbar.
- ◆ Under pinning of Darbar is completed.
- ◆ Coating of lime on the octagonal drum of Darbar is ended.
- ◆ Restoration of cornice of octagonal drum is completed.
- ◆ Flowery design around chaffered flitted rectangular drum is finished.
- ◆ Three doors and five windows have been closed with brunt bricks and mud mortar to support the cracked and weaken part of super structure.
- ◆ Color, white wash and finishing work has been completed.
- ◆ Fixation of iron grilled doors, windows and ventilators with wire gauze have been completed.



## Material Used in Restoration

- ◆ Bricks (10.5" x 5" x 2") & (11" x 5" x 2.5")
- ◆ Lime
- ◆ Chiroli (Gypsum)
- ◆ Mud
- ◆ Color



Donkey Cart is engaged to supply the water at site.

## **Budget Approved & Released**

### **Amount Released**

**1.3 Million**

### **Total Expenditures**

**1.7 Million**



**Pictorial Views (Before & After)**

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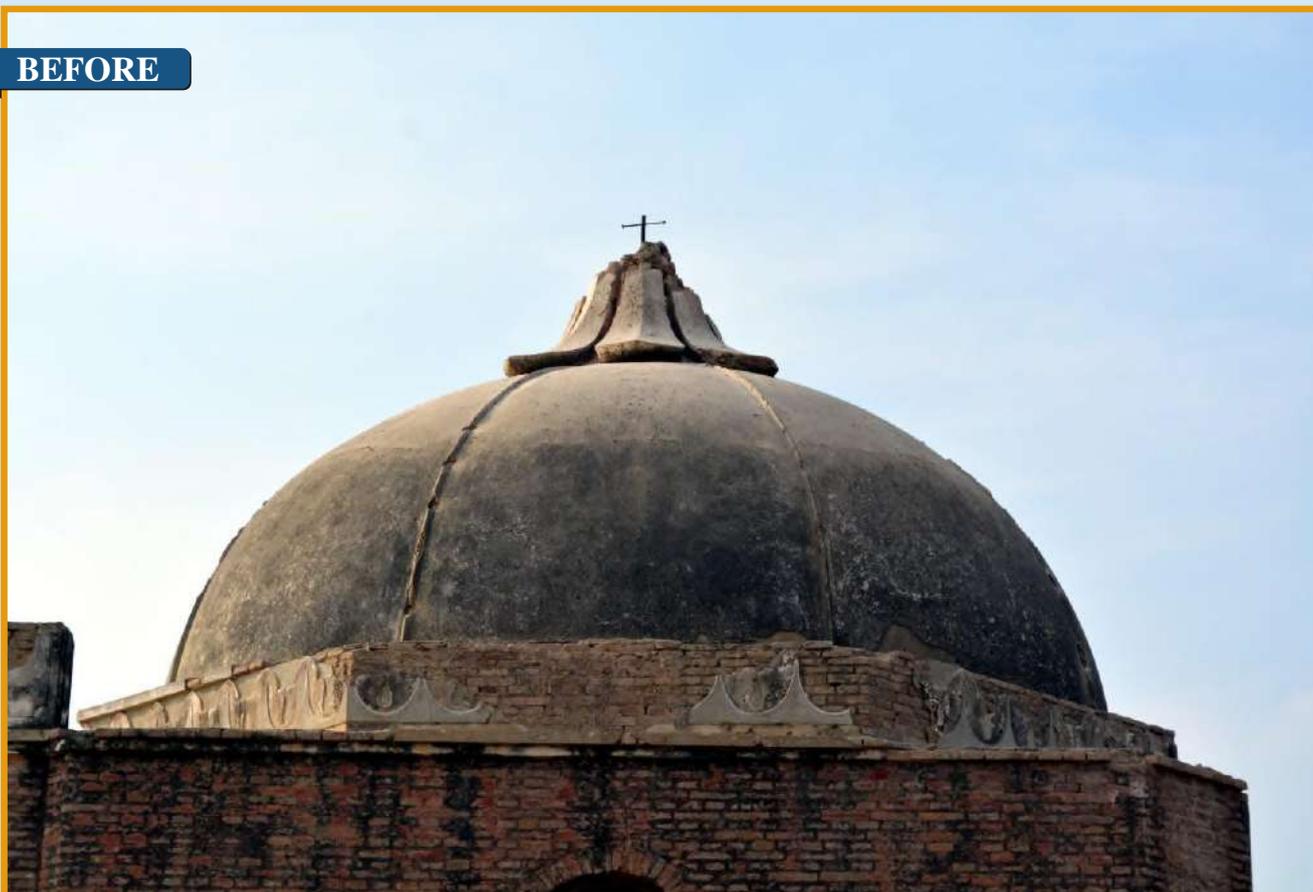


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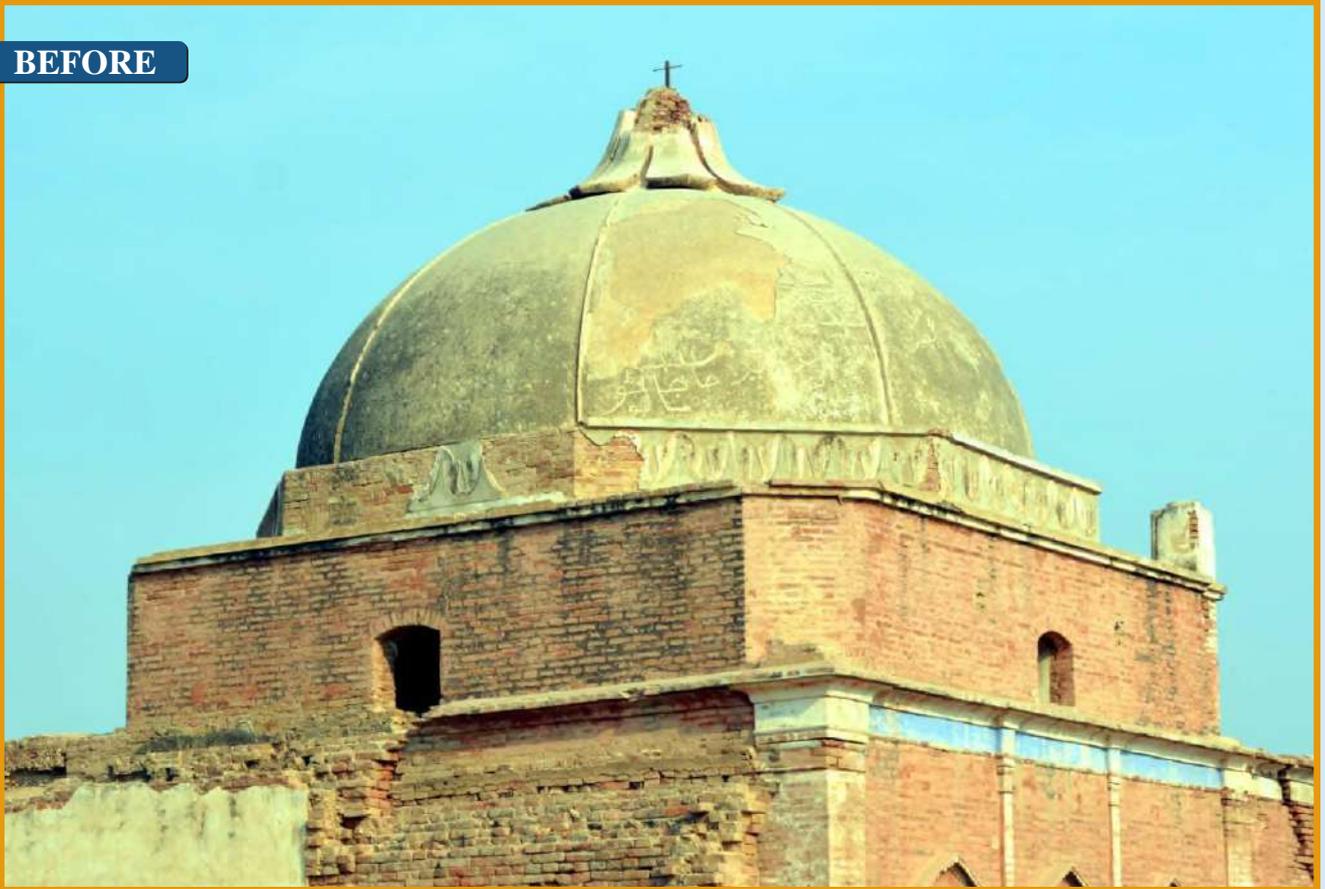


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**Pictorial Views (Before & After)**

**BEFORE**



**AFTER**



**Interior View of Darbar**

### Pictorial Views (Before & After)

**BEFORE**



**AFTER**



**Southern Side**

**Pictorial Views (Before & After)**

**BEFORE**



**AFTER**



**Eastern Side**

### Pictorial Views (Before & After)

**BEFORE**



**AFTER**



Northern Side

**Pictorial Views (Before & After)**

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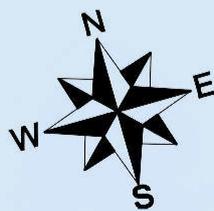
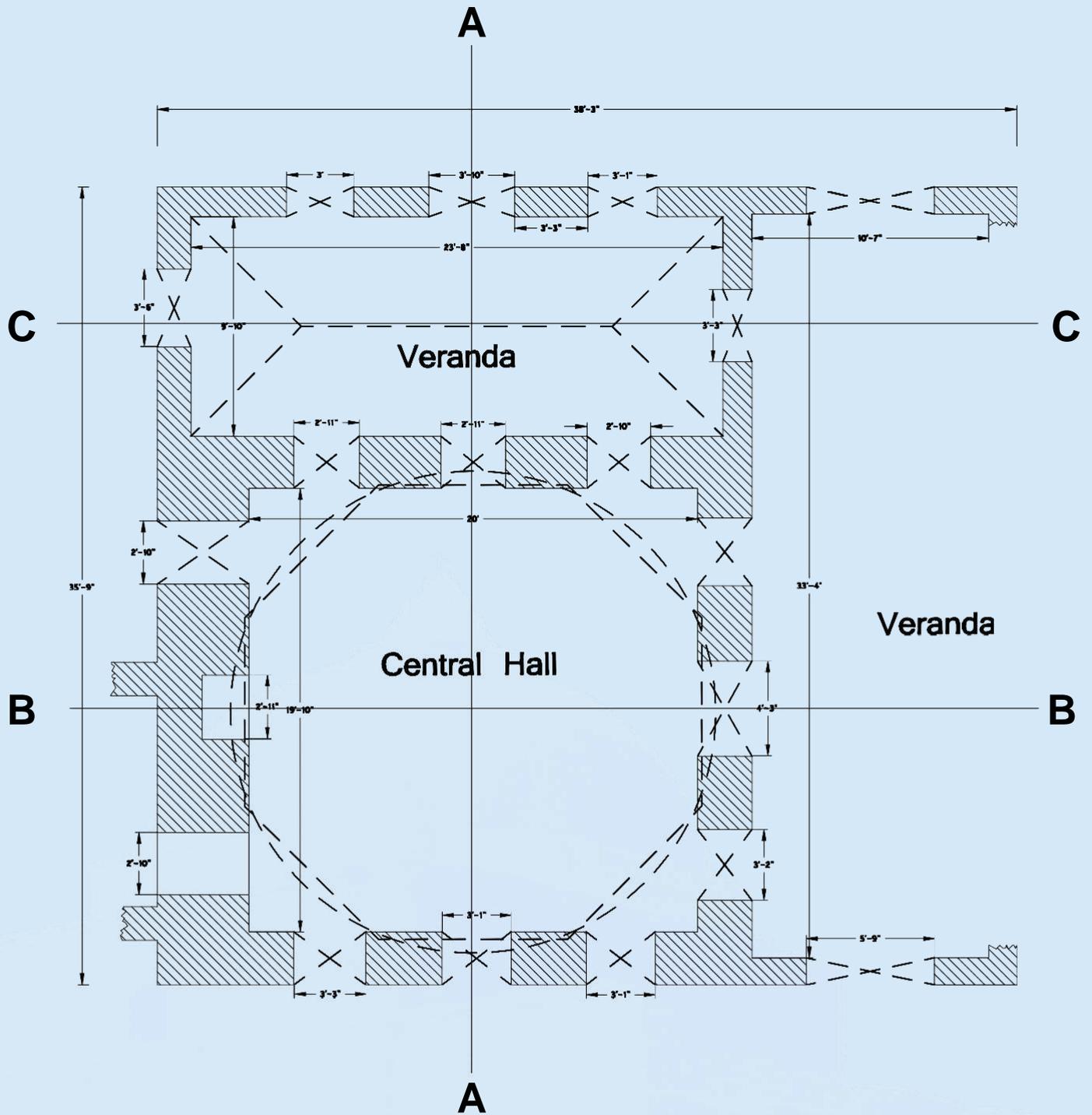


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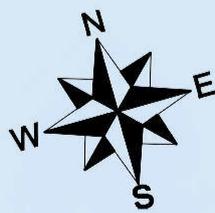
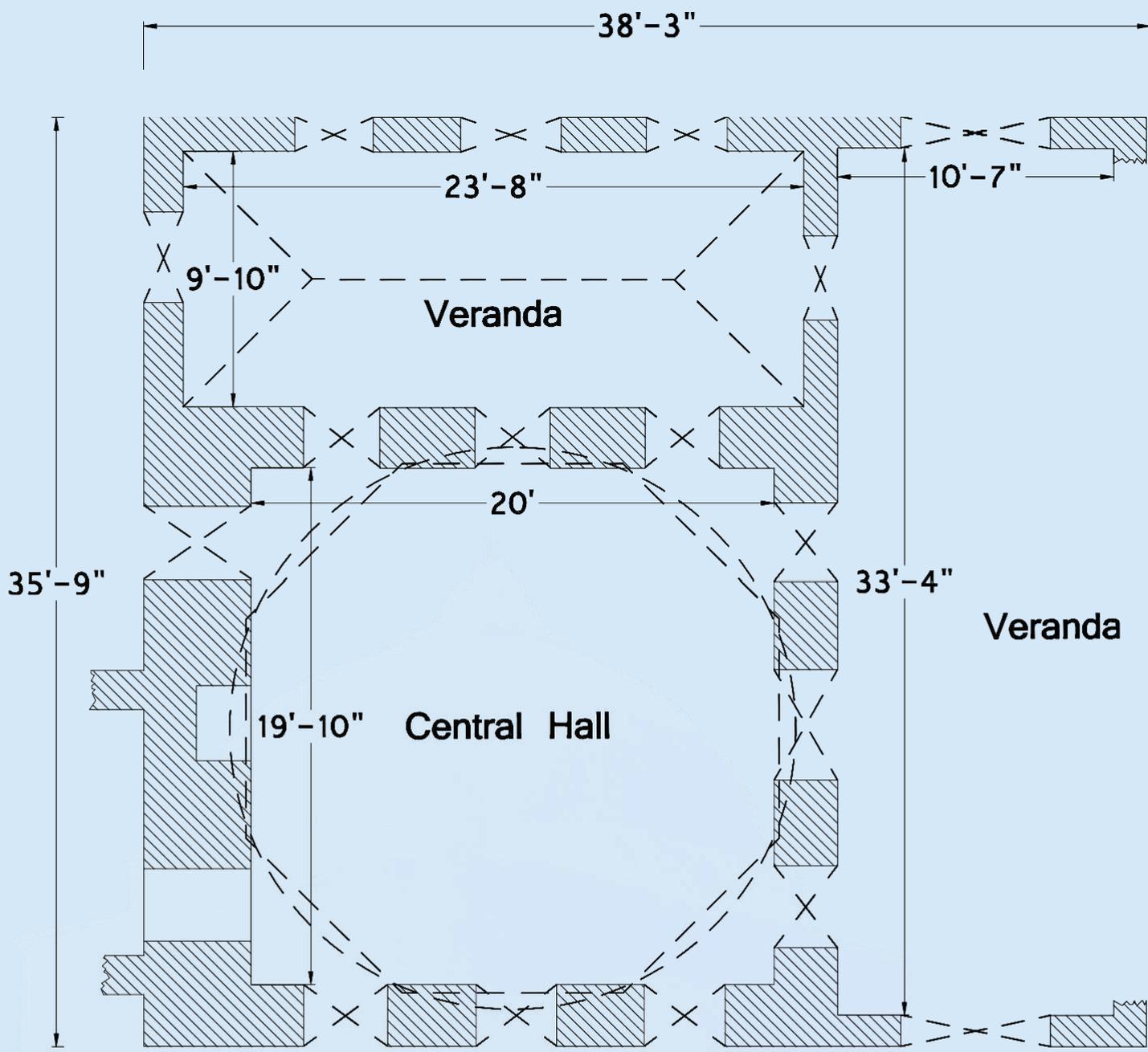
**Western Side**

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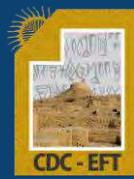


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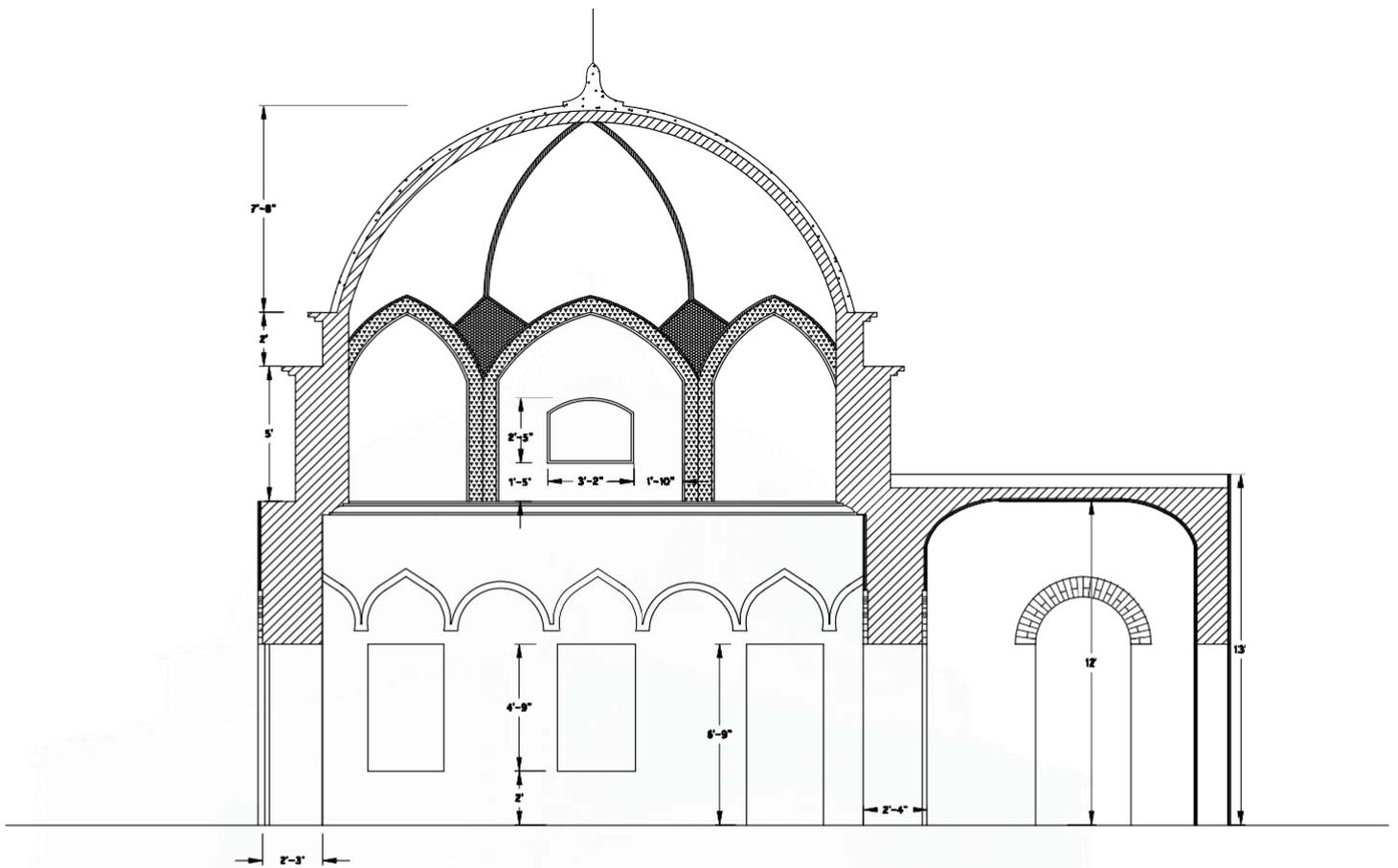
**Architectural Drawings**



**Dimensional Plan**

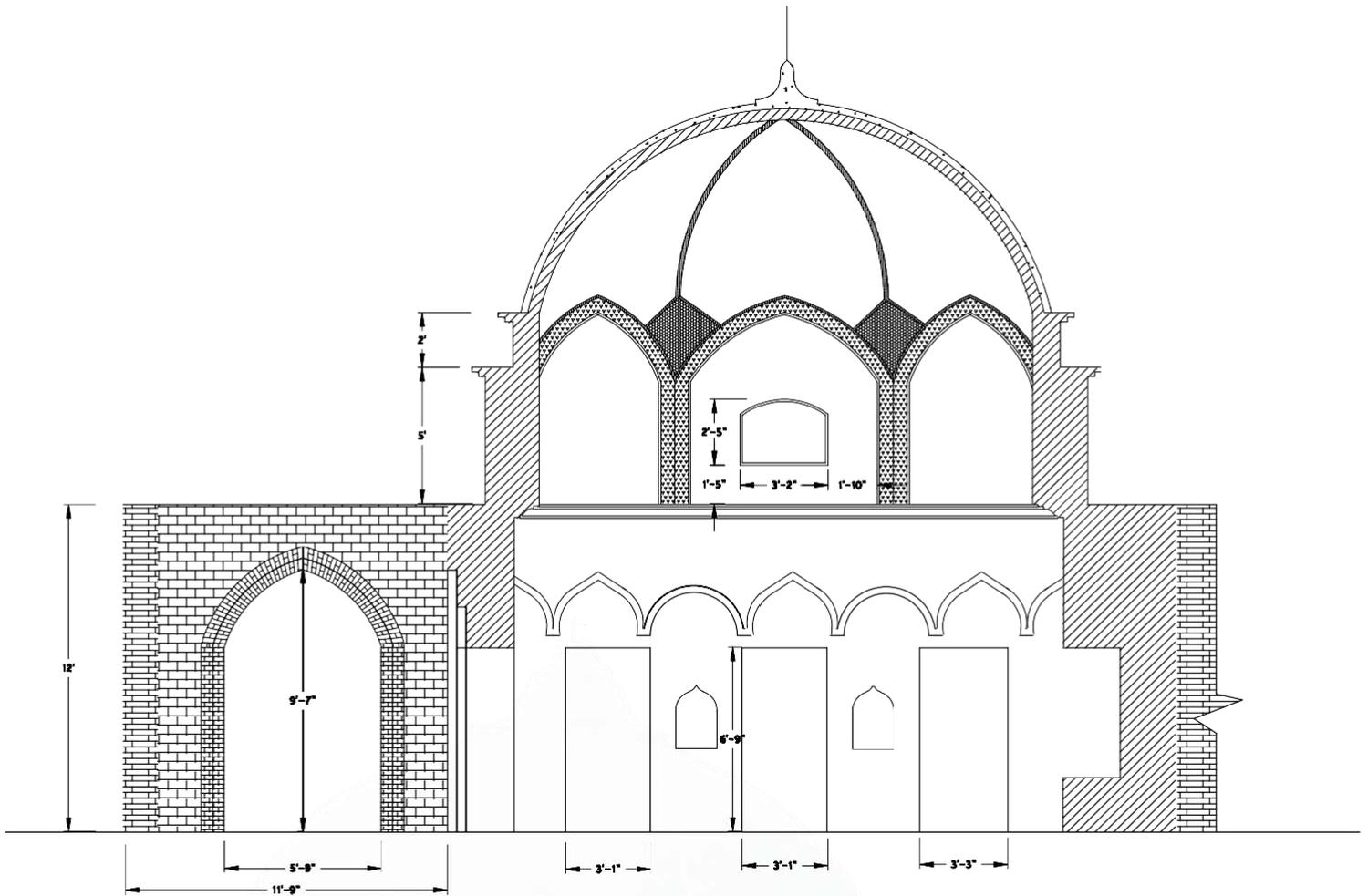


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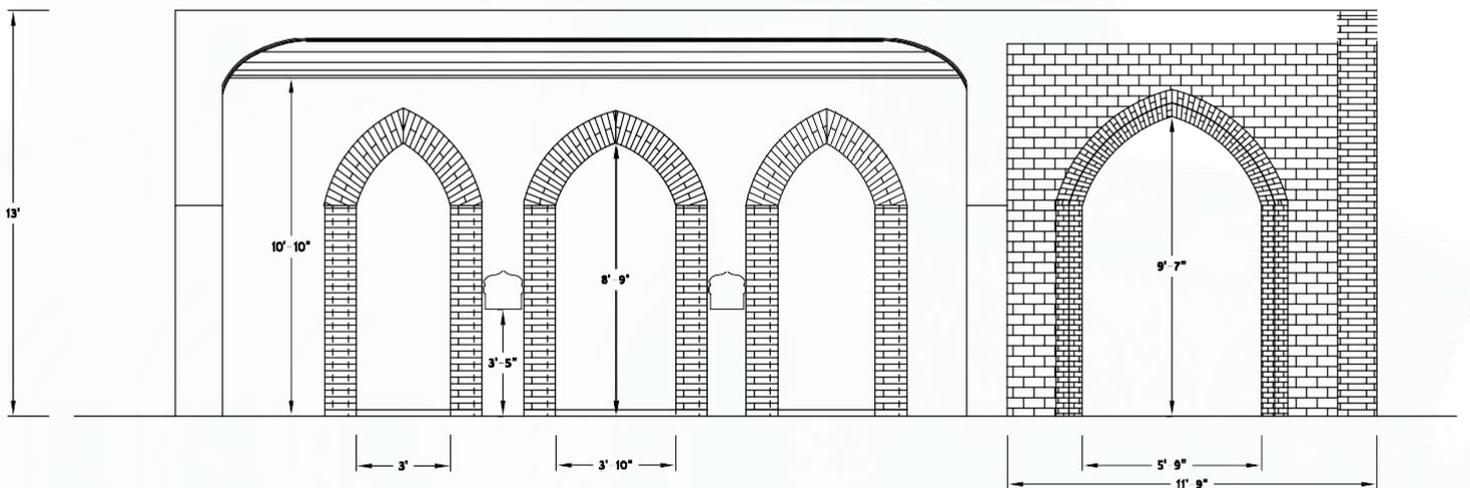


**SECTION AA**

## Architectural Drawings



**SECTION BB**



**SECTION CC**