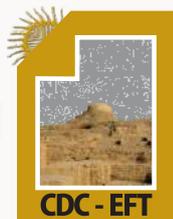


GHULAM SHAH KALHORO



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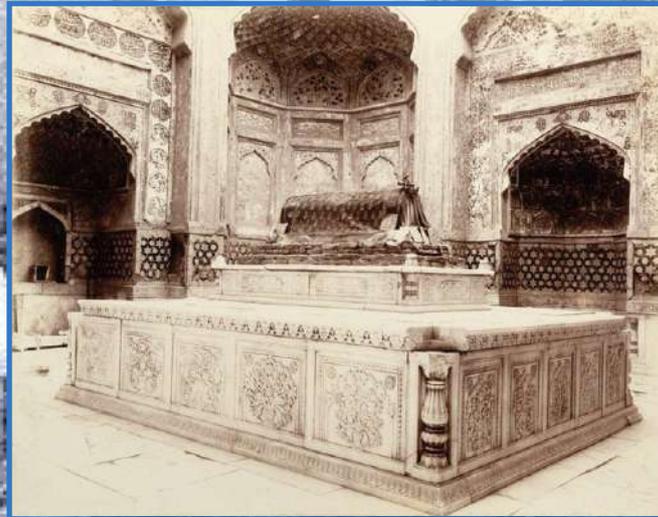
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Historical Background

■ Mian Ghulam Shah Kalhoro



Mian Ghulam Shah lies buried in an impressive mausoleum located in the center of a fort, at Hyderabad. Miyan Ghulam Shah Kalhoro was one of the most capable ruler of the Kalhoro Dynasty of Sindh from 1757 till his death in 1772 A.D. He had great passion for construction of buildings. He not only founded new cities, but also constructed Forts, Mosques, and Tombs. He founded Hyderabad in 1768 A.D. /1182 A.H., and made it his capital. He died in 1772 (1186 A.H). Tomb of Miyan Ghulam Shah was constructed by his son Sarfraz Khan Kalhoro in 1772 (1186 A.H). It is a great massive square building, standing upon an extensive platform.



Photograph of an exterior & interior view of Ghulam Shah's Tomb at Hyderabad taken by Henry Cousens in 1896



Structural Details

The area of Tomb is about 3108.0625 SQ-FT sqft (55'-9" X 55'-9"). Tomb is constructed with chiroli, lime, jute, and burnt Bricks. Interior floor & Graves's surface are made with Marble. Base is made with Stone Masonry with Chiroli Mortar. Height of base is 3'-10". Tombs inner side walls are decorated with Secco painting. Tomb has 02 Wooden Doors & 02 Windows. Tomb has 02 Graves. Drums have 08 ventilators and Hex decagon drum is made with Chiroli, burnt brick and lime plaster. Kashi Tiles are used on front and all outer side walls. Dome is completely collapsed and after collapsed, Roof of tomb was made with T.R & grader & bricks. Tudor arches are designed on all sides of the tomb outer walls. Kashi tiles are fixed in all Tudor arched panels. Big Tudor arch is constructed on the facade of the tomb and also decorated with Kashi tiles. Four kiosks were constructed on the roof of the tomb. Stairs were constructed on the back side of the tomb going towards the roof of the tomb connecting tunnel on upper level of the tomb.





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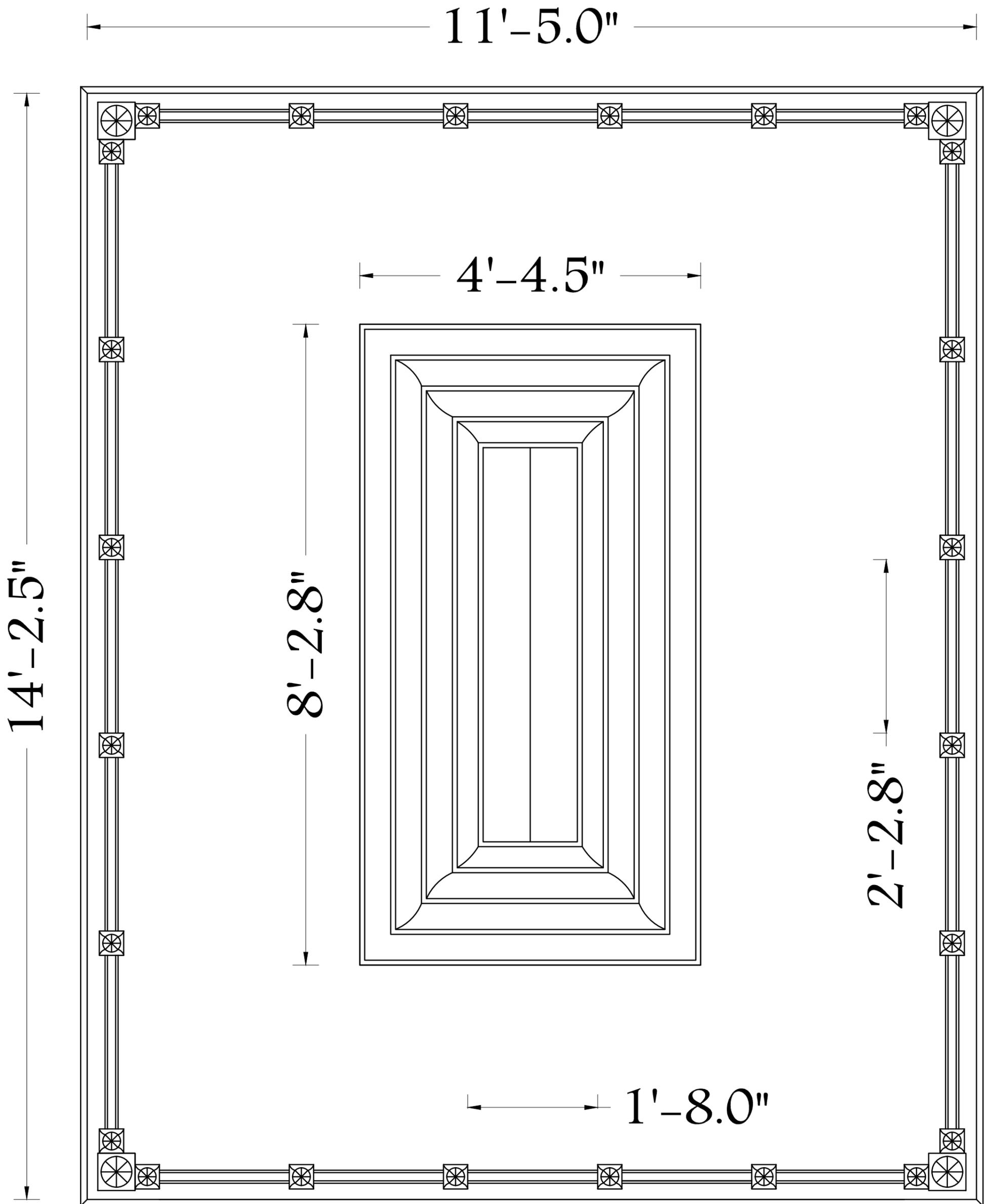
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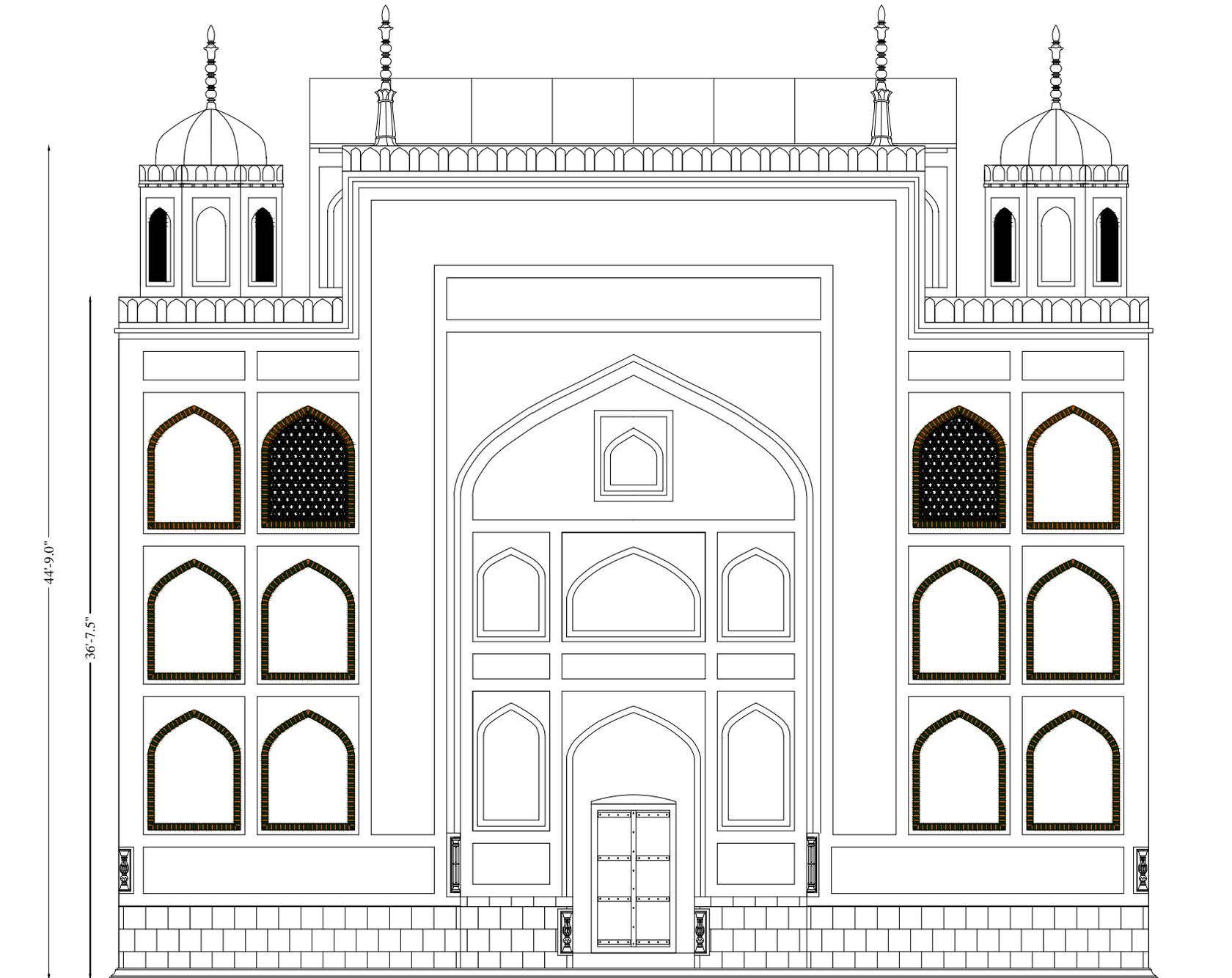
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GRAVE PLAN OF MIAN GHULAM SHAH KALHORO TOMB



Front Facade Elevation of
Mian Ghulam Shah Kalhoro Tomb