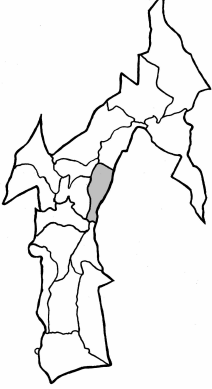



LOCATION	PIN	MH/RA/410102/H-06/(0)/2000	MATHERAN RAILWAY STATION	
			CARD	H-06/(0)
			GRADE	II-B
			ZONE	BAZAAR
			ZONE REF.	H 06
			CO-ORD.	H-I,18
			PLOT #	
			SURVEY #	
1.0	NAME OF THE PROPERTY			
1.1	NAME	MATHERAN RAILWAY STATION AND ANCILLARY STRUCTURES		
1.2	HISTORIC NAME	MATHERAN RAILWAY STATION AND ANCILLARY STRUCTURES		
1.3	BUILT IN	1901 - 1907		
2.0	AREA (SQ. MTS.)			
2.1	PLOT AREA			
2.2	BUILT-UP AREA			
3.0	APPROACH			
3.1	ACCESS	Directly from M. G. road.		
3.2	DIST. FR. RLY. STN.	0 kms.		
4.0	OWNERSHIP			
4.1	PAST OWNER(S)	Matheran railways		
4.2	PRESENT OWNER(S)	Matheran railways		
4.3	LEASE STATUS			
5.0	USAGE			
5.1	PAST USAGE	Railway station and railway hotel		
5.2	PRESENT USAGE	Original railway station - not in use. Railway hotel - used as rly. stn. & rly. employees rest room & refreshment room.		
6.0	LISTING CRITERIA & REFERENCE			
6.1	ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION	<p>Situated on a naturally levelled site to the east of M. G. road, the original layout consisted of the railway station building, the hotel building and a small garden which was used as a community space in the evenings to celebrate the arrival of the incoming train which was the event of the day. Later, the old station building was abandoned and the station activities were shifted to a new shed. The old railway station is a robust building with an arcade overlooking M. G. road which earlier served as its entrance. The long structure of the railway station is symmetrical in planform with semi octagonal bays on the extreme ends. The railway hotel building has an arcade on the ground floor over looking the railway tracks. An upper floor was constructed on this building at a later date, which comprises of a timber joist floor with continuous projecting balconies along the eastern and western facades supported on decorative timber brackets. The new shed of the railway station consists of multiple trussed roofs supported by steel stanchions encased in concrete. One of the earliest locomotives is displayed on a stone pedestal opposite the railway platform.</p>		
6.2	SIGNIFICANCE	HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE=B	HISTORIC INTEGRITY=B	HISTORIC CONTEXT=C
6.3	FINAL GRADE	II-B		
6.4	LISTER/ REVIEWER	Ar. Kirtida Unwalla + Ar. Suneeta Samant		
6.5	REFERENCES	Municipal Records / Map (1903-04) / DP 1987 / Books on Matheran / Field Surveys		
7.0	ARCHITECTURAL SYSTEMS IN THE STRUCTURE			
7.1	FOUND. & PLINTH	Stepped laterite foundation. Plinth in coursed laterite - exposed and pointed.		
7.2	WALLS	Loadbearing in coursed laterite, partly exposed and partly plastered and painted.		
7.3	FLOOR			
7.4	ROOF	TW purlin rafter roof (old bldg.) & multiple trussed roof on steel stanchions in conc. (new bldg.) with G.I. sheets.		
7.5	OPENINGS	Rectangular openings with TW frames and TW lintels, glazed casement shutters for windows and glazed ventilators. Some semi octagonal bay windows.		
7.6	STEPS			
7.7	DECO. ELEMENTS & INTERIORS	Brackets supporting projecting floor of the first floor.		
8.0	TRANSFORMATION			
8.1	FORM	New shed added to accommodate railway station and other related functions.		
8.2	STRUCTURE	Upper floor added on railway hotel.		
8.3	FINISHES	Plastering and painting of walls.		
9.0	PRESENT STATUS			
9.1	STRUC. STABILITY	Fair		
9.2	MAINTENANCE	Unsatisfactory		
10.0	REMARKS			
10.1	CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT	<p>Large site with potential unexploited. Prime location of the railway station and the old structures existing till date have immense scope to develop as a vibrant socio-functional node, if revitalised with sensitive planning and management. The old structures need urgent repairs as well as regular maintenance.</p>		