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Press Note

The historic Kotwal office building in Purani haveli in South Zone will regain its vintage charm soon with the City Police Administration officially began the restoration works. In a program held at the site, City Police Chief Mr.CV Anand unveiled the plaque to mark the beginning of the restoration works of the heritage building- which exemplifies the 176 year old city police history.

The building constructed a century ago functioned as office of the Kotwal since 1920 to 2002. Post relocating CP's office to another Basheerbagh in 2002, this was being used as Camp office and key review meetings were being held. Bulldozed by time, this vintage structure would have vanished from Hyderabad landscape. Nevertheless the City police decided to restore this structure since its existence is intertwined with the history of the City and served as an essential landmark.

GreenKo company came forward to sponsor this restoration project. Without altering antiquity, Deccan terrain pvt – which renovates heritage buildings- will work on restoring the building with the materials like quick lime, hydrated lime, Raw Gum extracts, fibres and other materials that were widely used hundred years ago. Officials of Deccan terrain gave a pictorial presentation to the top brass about the current condition of the building, the outcome after its restoration etc.,

“From an operational stand point and its close proximity to many iconic structures, religious places and other crowded areas, many of my predecessors preferred to camp in here while monitoring Friday prayers, large scale events and other processions etc., I had been continuing the same tradition and noticed that it's condition is deteriorating till one day the roof caved in “ said CP Anand.

“But being a Hyderabad , I felt it is our responsibility to conserve and revive these heritage structures. “ he added. He thanked Mr.Anil Kumar, Director Ace Urban group - Greenco for sponsoring this project. He expressed his happiness on this occasion and informed that the skilled workers will work in this project to restore the grandeur of the building. The work would be completed within 6 months.

Mr.Mir Barkatullah Khan, MD Deccan Terrain, Mr.AR Srinivas,IPS Addl.CP(Crimes & SIT); Mr.P.Sai Chaitanya,IPS DCP South Zone and other officers attended the program.
