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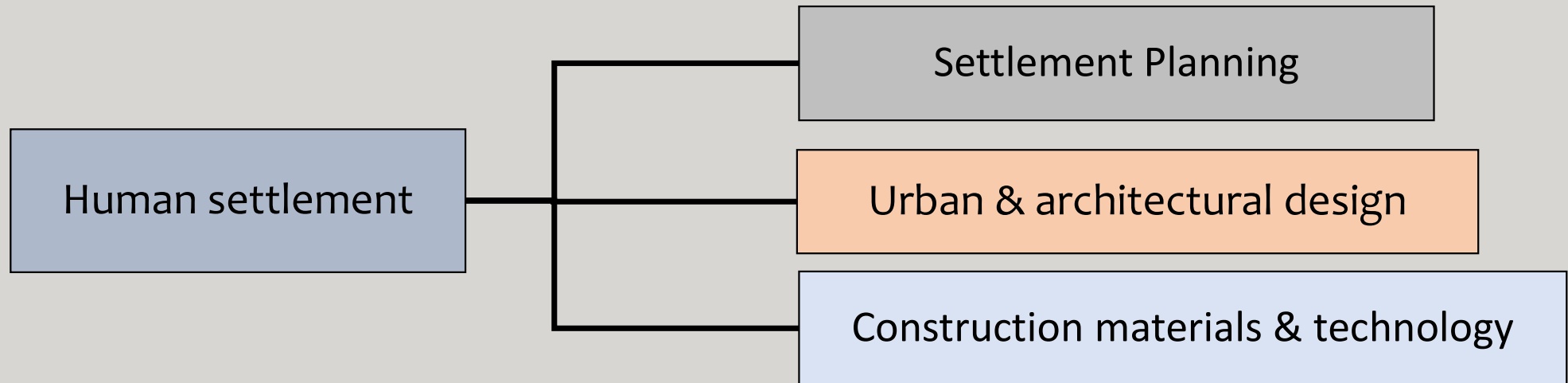
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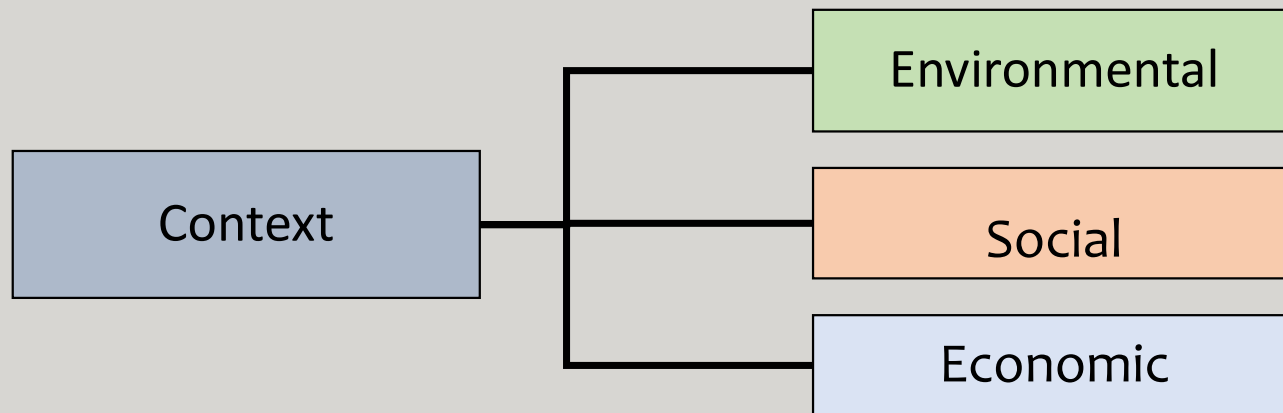


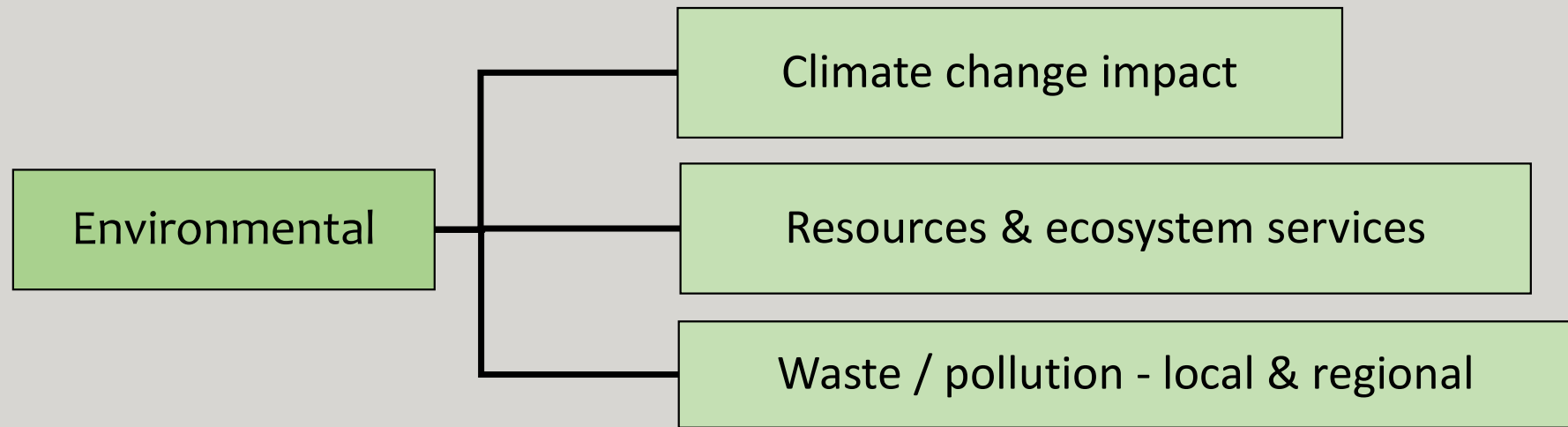
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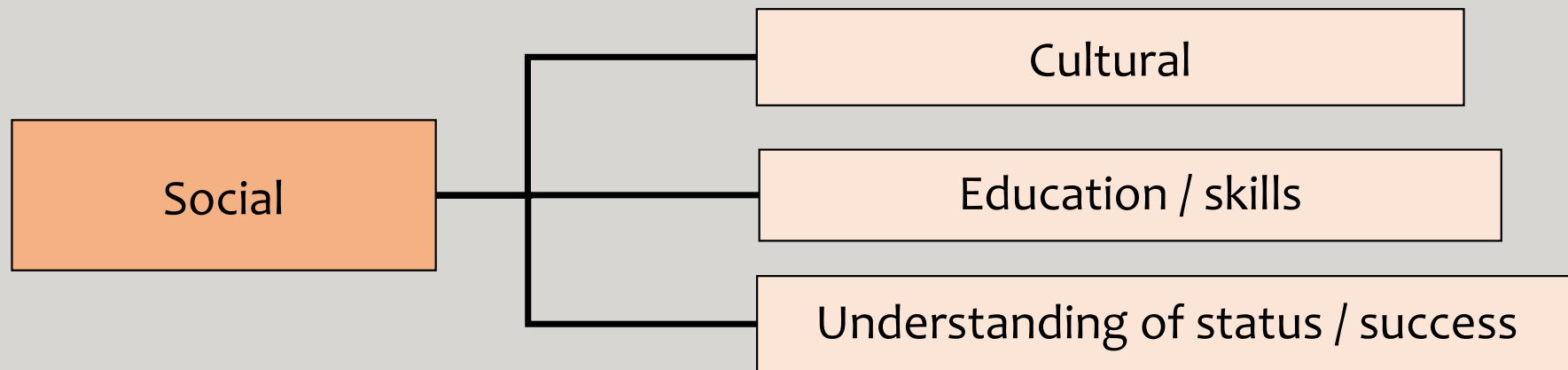


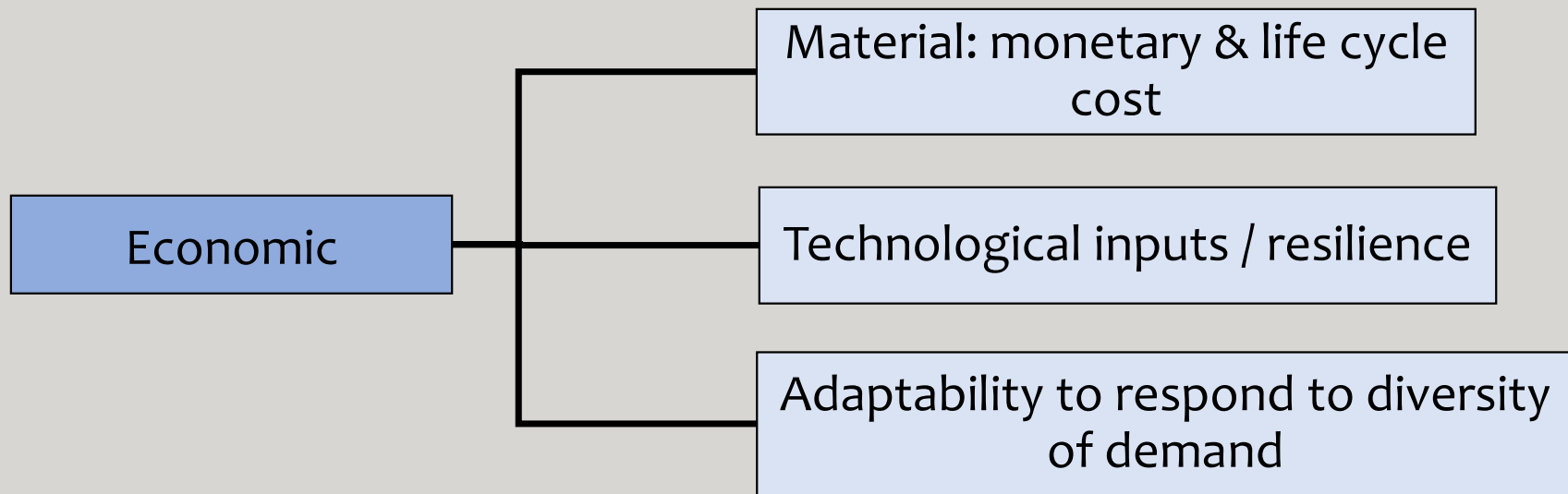
SECTORS	GOALS AND ACTIONS
LAND	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum disturbance of natural topography • Retain indigenous trees • Secure top soil from the areas to be built to ensure fertility is retained to re-spread when the construction is done
WATER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrate flow channels • Retain high percolation areas as no- build zones • Create bio swales and collection ponds for surface and roof run off to supply potable water • Wet area design for low water use and low flow fixtures
CLIMATE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrate solar passive building design principles for hot-humid coastal climate • Building layout integrated with landscape to avoid heat islands effect • Aim for maximum comfort levels with minimum operational energy use
BUILDINGS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Efficient functional layout to achieve maximum usable space • Efficient building envelope design for maximum volume for minimum surface area (reduced building material use) • Use of building materials and technology that lowers the embodied energy • Resilient materials and technology to reduce repairs and replacement
ENERGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Functional layout of spaces in keeping with climate • Minimize operational energy use with appropriate building design (shading / lighting) • Net positive with grid connected PV use and low consumption devises
WASTE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recycle all sewage for reuse as irrigation to lower potable water demand • Solid waste segregation to compost biodegradable on-site for gardens and non-biodegradable for maximum recycling
LIFE STYLE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate appropriate life style with clothing, food and timing of metabolic activity • Sharing of electro-mechanical appliances to reduce waste generation • Use products that are local with cradle to cradle cycles

Reviving, repurposing and restoring traditional bld materials using adaptive design principles to respond to **climate change and social challenges**











WALLS – POURED EARTH CONCRETE





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- Reuse of construction and demolition waste
- Use of existing tools and technology
- Progressive skill upgrading
- Resilient walling material
- Improved construction speed
- Cost effective compared to plastered brick walls
- Lower embodied energy compared to plastered brick walls



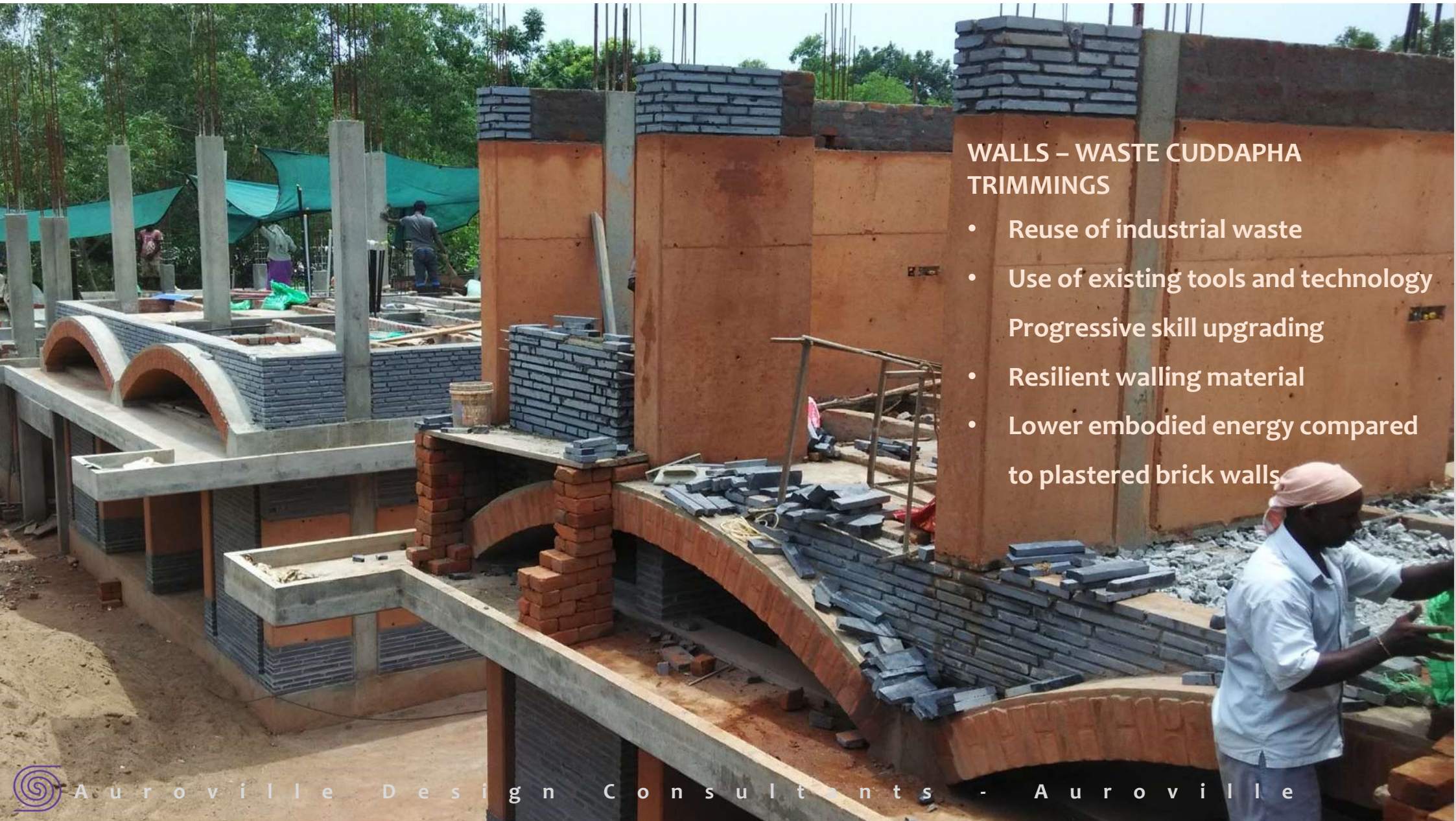
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A u r o v i l l e D e s i g n C o n s u l t a n t s A u r o v i l l e



WALLS – WASTE CUDDAPHA TRIMMINGS

- Reuse of industrial waste
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- Resilient walling material
- Lower embodied energy compared to plastered brick walls

ROOFING – SEGMENTAL ARCH VAULT



A u r o v i l l e D e s i g n C o n s u l t a n t s - A u r o v i l l e



ROOFING – SEGMENTAL ARCH VAULT

- Made from low temperature kiln bricks, cottage industry
- Reduced use of steel and cement
- Used as intermediate floors
- Skill upgradation for owner built houses for EWS / LIG
- Lower embodied energy compared to RCC slabs





**RE-USE OF WASTE STYROFOAM AS SOUND / HEAT
INSULATION BTW FLOORS AND ON THE ROOF**



RECYCLED STYROFOAM / THERMOCOL

- Sequestering of a waste that is not easy to recycle
- Effective thermal and acoustic insulation
- Low input technology and easy to manufacture shredder
- Can be used as walling in EWS / LIG





IPS MULTI-COLOR FLOORING & WALL FINISHES

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- Lower embodied energy compared to ceramic and other flooring tiles
- Easier to maintain and more climate appropriate
- Skill upgradation, useful for owner built houses for EWS / LIG



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Windows / doors – repurposed wood

- Repurposing of wood salvaged from demolition, using the material to the end of its life cycle rather than



Thank you