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Private Residence, Kochi: Conceived as residence for a man, who runs a fabrication / machine shop, to house his family of four, it was imperative that his profession was reflected in the design through use of steel, also owing to the context of the immediate surroundings, which are dominated by a few small workshops. The approach to the entry happens under a low height cantilevered volume, which immediately reduces the scale relative to the expanse of the outdoors, thereby connecting man with the structure intimately. This low height (7 ft) continues through the patio and foyer before opening up into the formal living with a standard ceiling height (10 ft). The connecting vestibule further reduces the scale in height (7ft) and width (4ft) before opening out into the double height family lounge with the court, deck and kitchen beyond. Defining this volume is done with purposeful control of scale and natural/artificial lighting which varies from bringing sunlight to diffused sunlight across the circulation path. And this provided a framework to base the interiors on, to define the mood and character of the space. ■

