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ABSTRACT

The topic aims to explore now architecture can reclaim abandoned spaces and give them new
meaning, focusing on the transformation of Kolar Gold Fields (KGF) into a museum. This
intervention not only seeks to preserve the historical essence of KGF but also addresses its
socio-environmental legacy, weaving a narrative of its rise, decline, and eventual degradation.
The aim is to ensure that the site's history is remembered while educating visitors on the
consequences of exploitation and the need for responsible actions.
By integrating the remnants of KGF into the design, the museum becomes a medium for
communicating the emotions and lessons tied to its past. Adaptive reuse of existing structures,
combined with thoughtful spatial planning, creates a journey that honors the site's legacy
while fostering reflection. The architecture evokes introspection, encouraging future
generations to learn from past mistakes and work towards a more conscious and sustainable
future. In this way, the museum transforms an abandoned space into a meaningful and
transformative experience that bridges the past with the present.

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