

- Hadiyana is about 25 Kms north east of Jamnagar



- Road from Jamnagar to Hadiyana
- Entrance to Town of Hadiyana on Right



- Road leading to town on right



- Small pond by the road



- Entrance to town
- This area completely floods during monsoon



- Gate to town
- Built by town council in 1996-1997



- Street leading to our ancestral property on left



- View from the other side of street
- Pink building next to blue is our new construction. Next to pink is the ruins of old house.
- The blue house was sold to Patel.
- The property on this side of blue house and ruins of big house belong to us.
- Thought is that we can buy back the blue house from Patel and redo the ruins. Put a wall around the entire property for the enjoyment of all
- The new building has facilities to stay and temple of Jasraj dada.
- Next few slides are photos of our property.



- Here is the other side of Blue building of Patel.
- The property where people are standing and the tall building in ruins all belong to us



- Plaque is on the new construction above the side entrance where people were standing in the parking area.
- The building is divided into two bedrooms, one with bath, a kitchen a hallway, a meeting room and the temple room.



- Front of the new building facing the street.
- Two big windows are bedroom windows.



- Ruins of the older building.
- Next few slides show the ruins.



















- Standing in the middle near the side entrance is retired school teacher Mr. Mahashanker Revashanker Raval son of Dolu master who was teacher of the first school started by our ancestors.
- Right of him is Dr. Vinu Nandani. I am on his left.
- Yes the grey water is spewed right out thru the drain pipe











- Next few slides show the inside of the ruins of the big building.
- We were able to go in during my 2007 visit but after that it became impossible to enter due to the earth quack damage.
- Next few slides show their glimpses of the wealth in early nineteen hundreds















- Narsihdas Devjee Sonpal's portrait next to temple of our family deity and other gods.
- Portraits of other gods above him.





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- Narsihdas
Devjee
Sonpal



- Puja articles (samagri) beneath the temple



- Another shot of big building from terrace of the new building



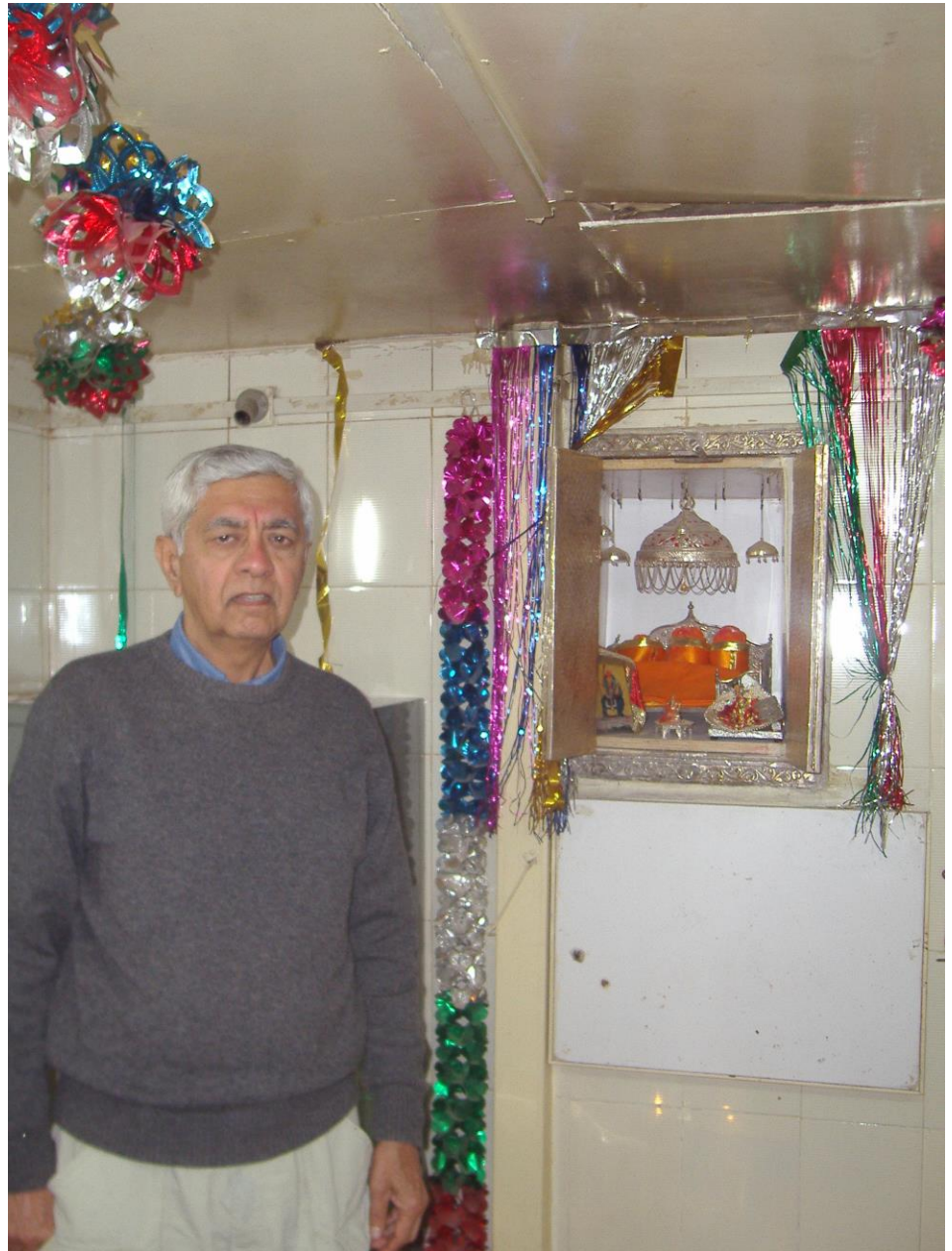
- Entrance to the Jasrajdada temple room in new building.



- Temple doors



- I am standing next to the temple



- Jasrajdada's temple



- These are the Pithies (earthen pods in silk cloth) brought back from Afghanistan



- The temple in side





- Bawly mata, our Kuldevi (family deity) portrait in temple
- Sorry it came out fuzzy.



- Puja in progress.



- Standing is Harishbhai Joshi. Our pujari.
- He is a Brahmin living on the same street and does the puja twice a day on our behalf since none of our family members currently live in Hadiyana.



- Harishbhai doing puja during my four days stay in Hadiyana in 2008



- Having tea Hadiyan a style in the meeting room



- With
Haresh
and Jeetu
Jivrajani



- Cooperative for milk at the entrance of Hadiyana



- Government school in Hadiyana



- There is substantial community of Muslims in Hadiyana.
- This is the Mazjeed
- Muslim prayer hall



- Muslim prayer hall



- Panwala
- Beetle nut shop in the street of Hadiyana



- Another panwala on our street



- Gathiawala in Hadiyana.
- He makes fresh fried dough and sweets (jalebi) etc.



- Tea stall at the entrance of Hadiyana



- Making tea at the tea stall



- Tea to go in plastic bag



- Kid has his business of making popcorn and other spaghetti like popped grain items
- He goes from town to town and is quite an entrepreneur



- At the corner of our street a cow tries to go in the house for handouts.
- Lady selling vegetables at the end of our street.
- Next slide shows advertisement for Xerox copying on wall



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- A typical stone mill used to grind cereals.
- Generally two ladies sit across from each other and hold the handle with one hand and pour grain in the center while turning the upper stone while gossiping. (About mother in laws)



- Tamarind tree.
- Next few slides show the village scenes and plans etc.





- Pomegranate tree outside a farm house



- Pomegranate flowers and small fruit





- Castor beans plants.
- It is one of the cash crops.



- Harvested castor beans.



- Another cash crop
Chickpeas.





- Fodder plants for domesticated animals



- Flowers used as offering to Hanuman



- White radish in garden.
- The beans are used as vegetable for cooking



- Water buffaloes coming home





- Typical farm house.
- Farmer has gone out to field.



- Fodder growing outside the farmhouse.



- Kids playing on swing outside the farm house.
- Water buffalo tied next to them in next slide.







- Cow paddies drying to be used as fuel.
- Early morning walks can make eyes water from all the smoke.



- Wool is a big business.
- Also goats for milk and may be sold for meat.







- Note the coral made in the back with sticks and weeds etc.
- Generally one of the family member stay with the animals



- The herdsmen take every ones animals to graze away from the town.
- They go from corals to corals and gather all the animals and bring them back in the evening.
- Seemed like the animals knew their own corals as they came closer and went in without much prodding.
- Next slide shows them coming home.





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- Getting anxious for the herdsmen to come the next morning









- Picking berries called Bore on the growing wild on the edges of a farm



- Close-up of the berries called Bore



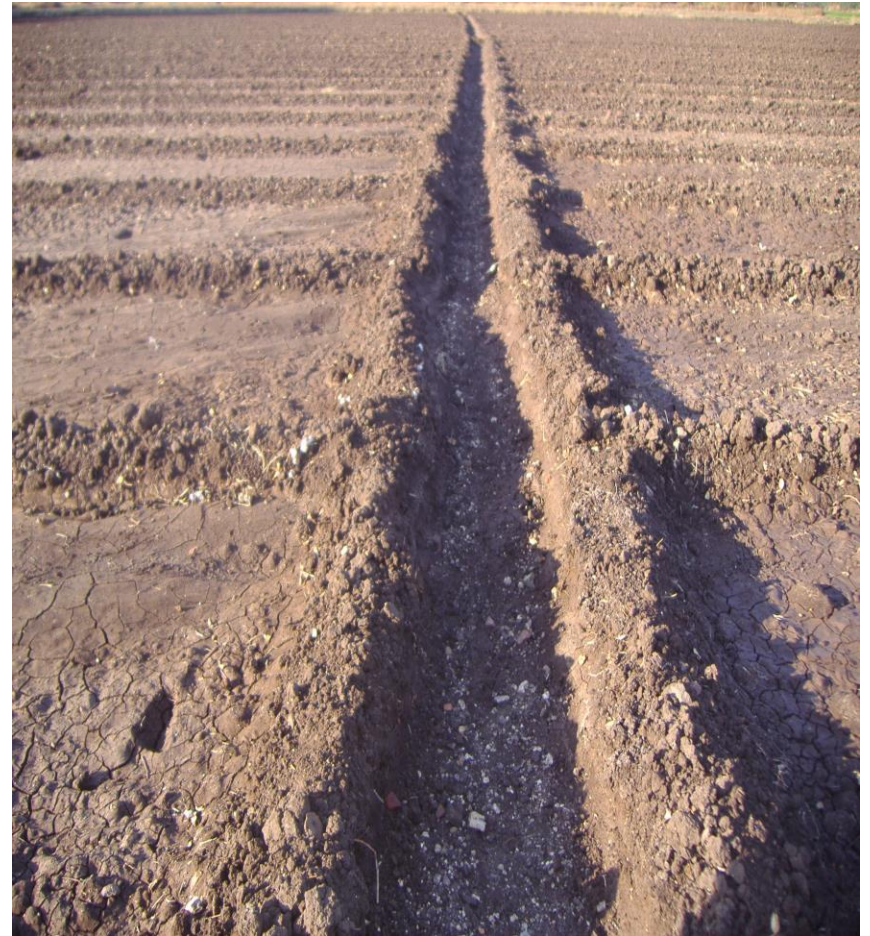
- Stream is low in the summer. Most farmers pump water from nearby streams or well for irrigation.



- Visiting a friend's farm.
- Garlic in the background



- Ground ready with water dykes for irrigation.
- Ready for seeding.



- Chickpeas growing.



- Garlic close to ready for harvesting



- This is the seashore about 6 Km south west of Hadiyana in a town called Balachadi.
- It has beautiful mangroves .
- There is a military training camp and some investor from Bombay is planning to build a motel there. Government is worried that it will distract the cadets. I think only staff can afford any thing.
- Next few pictures are of Balachadi sea shore



- Nice little play area for kids. This is a great contraption for kids to play mouse on treadmill.





- This out-crop of rocks is accessible only at low tide but it is worth getting stranded for a few hours as it is so beautiful and serene.
- They say it gets pretty crowded over weekends with vendors selling bhelpuri etc to visitors of military personal



- Here are two kids that were taking me around exploring when I was in Hadiyana in 2008.
- The older kid Ketan has a taxi but now he works with family on farm. They are pretty prosperous.
- The farmers do very well there. Soil and irrigation are good. Fertilizers till now were cheap. Cotton, Chickpeas, Caster beans, onions, Garlic are some of the cash crops.
- You can't buy farmland any more unless you are already a farmer. This law is to keep absentee farmers out but there are ways around it with money and power.



- You can see the boat coming in from western developed world.
- One comes in every half an hour or so to be demolished about 25 Km from Hadiyana on a port.
- Public is not allowed to enter the facilities.
- I hope they stop this cruelty on beautiful but relatively poorer area.



- Almost looks like the Abe of sea is trying to stop the ships from coming to their morgue.
- You can see the out-crop of rocks in the distance were one can sit and contemplate good and the evil.



- Tide is coming in again it is time to head back.



- Ketan with his rickshaw taking me back to Hadiyana.
- There are beautiful little town around for exploring but you need a car at my age otherwise spine can get roughed-up.











- My favorite resting point just outside Hadiyana entrance .

