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SOCIETY

ACROSS THE TIME

RITCHIE STREET FIELDWORK UPDATE

23 AUGUST

6: 00 PM

CHENNAI

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CONTRASTING AGES: A GLIMPSE INTO PAST AND PRESENT

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- Just opposite to the new Legislative Assembly
 - Construction around the street have greatly evolved
 - There is no strict boundary that distinguishes the both, they flow into each other
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- The above mentioned shops were located opposite to this

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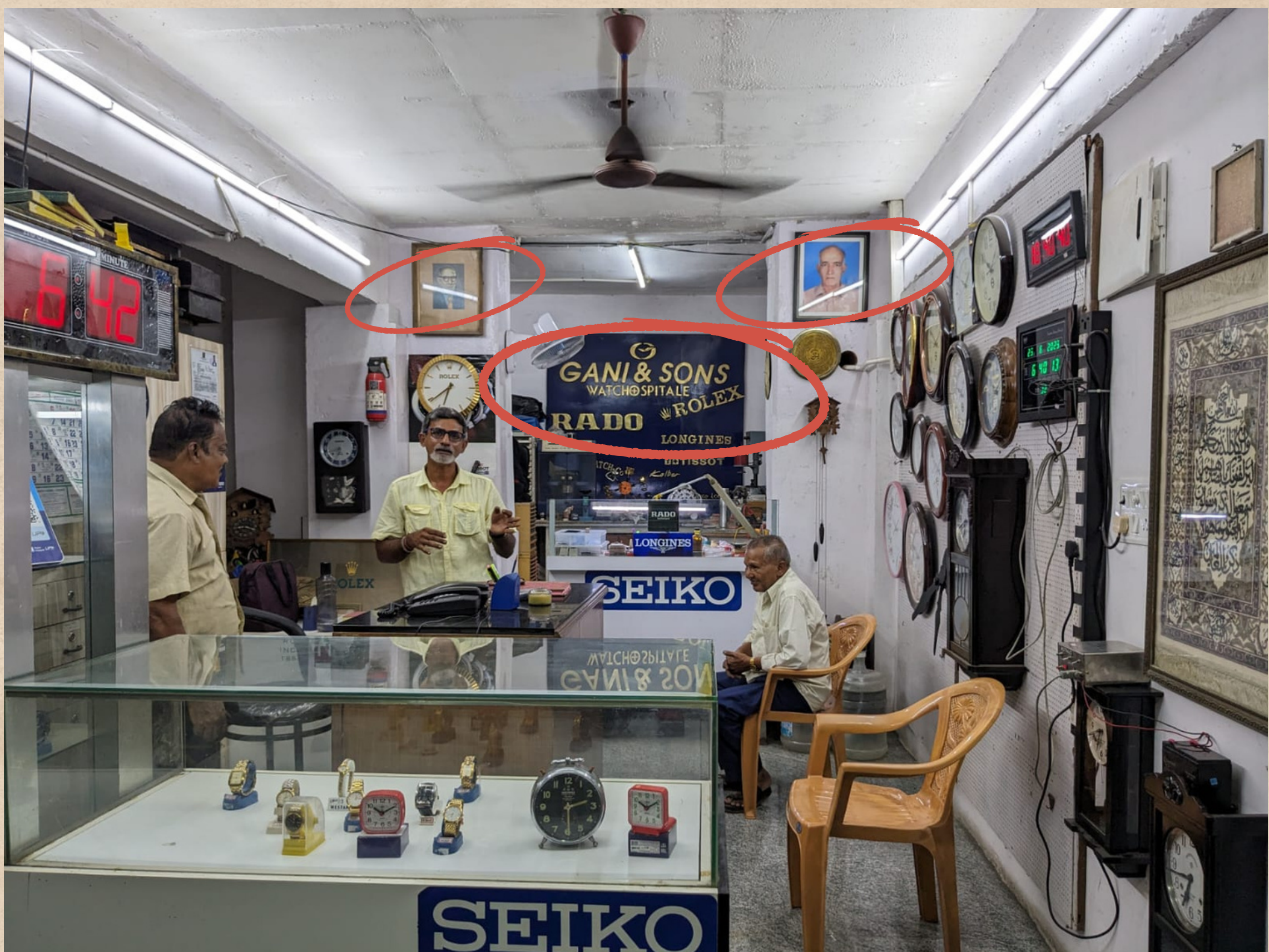
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- 138 year old watch shop at Ritchie st.
- 4rd generation ownership
- Just shifted to a new location 6 months ago
- Old Building being over a 100 years old is being demolished

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- Food stalls very specific to each street
 - In our case, there was a chaat and lassi shop just opposite to a few shops owned by Marwadis which couldn't have been a coincidence
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MY SHOP BEST SHOP

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- Most of the shops sell the same products and services
 - Hence they try to innovate their marketing tactics
 - This includes quirky names and salesmen outside shop
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- UPI was widely accepted across all the shops we visited
- Each intersection had smaller cart stalls selling snacks
- Got myself some nice Bhel Puri here

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- Visited Oasis IT store, one of the biggest stores there
 - A very popular spot where people come to get PCs
 - All High-end PC parts are available here at great prices
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- Just another example of quirky shop names

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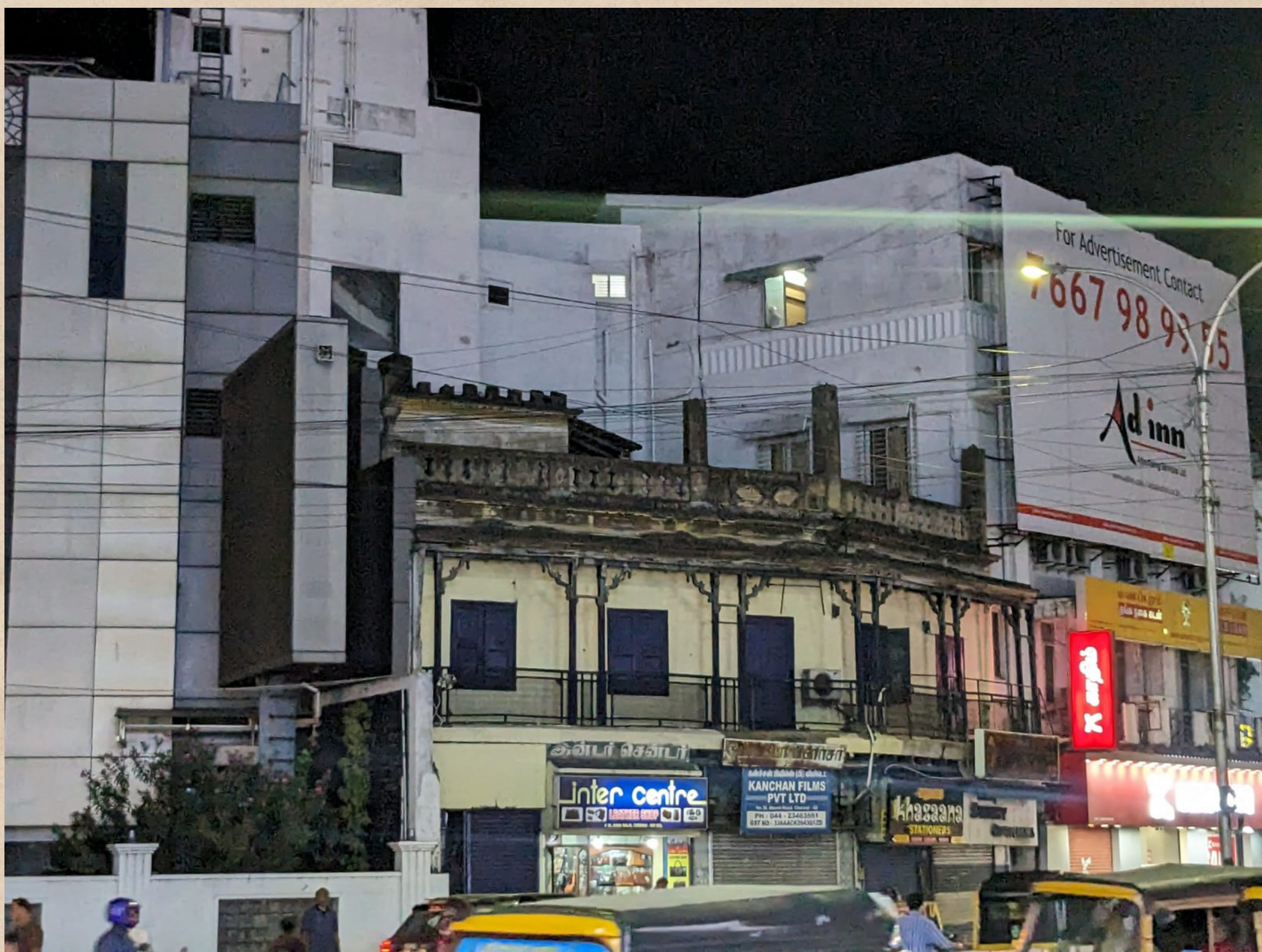
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- The view as soon as you get out of Ritchie St.
 - A lot more planned and open with lesser congestion
 - Almost feels like a whole different place
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- Geddes's conservative surgery approach.