

MINUTES OF THE 227TH MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTURE HELD ON FRIDAY, 9TH APRIL, 2021, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTURE, INDIA HABITAT CENTRE, LODHI ROAD, NEW DELHI AND ALSO ONLINE THROUGH ZOOM APPLICATION.

PRESENT :

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| 1. Ar. Habeeb Khan | : | Chairman |
| 2. Ar. Sapna | : | Vice-Chairman |
| 3. Ar. Kapil Setia | : | Member |
| 4. Ar. Ramesh Kumar | : | Member (joined Online) |
| 5. Ar. Bansan Singh Thanghiew | : | Member (joined Online) |

Ar. Sadiq Ali, Member, did not join the meeting and no information was received from him.

In attendance:

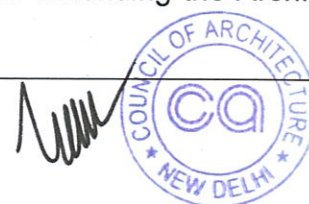
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| 1. Shri R.K. Oberoi | : | Registrar-Secretary |
| 2. Shri Deepak Kumar | : | Administrative Officer |
| 3. Shri Deepak Kumar Singh | : | Asst. Administrative officer |

The Chairman welcomed the members of the Committee and officials of the Council and thanked them for attending the online meeting. He informed that in view of ongoing Covid 19 Pandemic two members have joined the meeting online.

ITEM NO.01	CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 226TH MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD ON 15TH DECEMBER, 2020.
	The Executive Committee perused the Minutes of the 226 TH Meeting of the Executive Committee, as circulated to all the members on 12 th January, 2021. The Committee after deliberations approved the same. Accordingly, the Minutes were signed by Chairman.
ITEM NO.02	ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
	The Executive Committee perused the Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the 226 th Meeting and noted the same.
ITEM NO.3	TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2021-2022.
	<p>The Executive Committee perused the Budget Estimates of the Council for the Financial year 2021-2022 as annexed with Appendix-C of the Agenda.</p> <p>The Executive Committee after detailed deliberations and after seeking clarifications on the respective heads of income and expenditure, wherever required, approved the Budget Estimates of the Council for Financial Year 2021-2022 and passed the following Resolution:</p>



	<p>Resolution No.:268</p> <p>Resolved that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) The Budget Estimates of the Council for the Financial year 2021-2022, Recurring Expenditure Rs.20,14,28,000/- and Non-Recurring Rs.20,20,00,000/- as against the income receivable to be tune of Rs. 40,34,66,000/- is approved. ii) The President, COA and Registrar, COA are authorised to defray the expenses as approved. iii) The Budget Estimates for the financial year 2021-2022 be placed before Full Council for its information. <p>A copy of the approved Budget Estimates for the financial year 2021-2022 is enclosed herewith as <u>Appendix-A</u>.</p> <p>The Committee also approved for payment of Salary and Allowances for the month of March, 2021 to the Officers and employees of the Council and payment of other necessary Bills during the period 01.04.2021 to 09.04.2021.</p>
ITEM NO.4	<p>TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON AMENDMENTS TO THE ARCHITECTS ACT, 1972</p>
	<p>The Chairman informed the members that a Sub-Committee was constituted by the Council to consider and finalise Council's proposal on Amendments to the Architects Act, 1972, after considering the suggestions received on the Council's proposal, the Committee has submitted report/recommendations for amendments in the Architects Act, 1972 on urgent basis.</p> <p>The Committee perused the report of the Committee along with Draft Amendments as suggested by the Committee, in view of Supreme Court Judgement dated 17.03.2020 in Mukesh Goyal Case.</p> <p>The Executive Committee after detailed deliberations in the matter approved the amendments/suggestions by the Committee and passed the following resolution:</p> <p>Resolution No.:269</p> <p>Resolved that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) The Statement of Objects & Reasons and Architects (Amendment) Bill, 2021 as suggested by the Sub-Committee on Amendments to the Architects Act, 1972, are approved for amending the Architects Act, 1972 in the public interest; and



	<p>ii) The proposed amendments be urgently placed before Full Council for accordingly its approval and the Central Government be requested for initiating further action in the matter.</p>
ITEM NO.5	<p>TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL FOR GRANT OF SCHOLARSHIP BY THE COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTURE TO NEEDY EWS CATEGORY CANDIDATES/ STUDENTS TAKING ADMISSION/ STUDYING IN ARCHITECTURAL INSTITUTIONS ALL OVER INDIA.</p>
	<p>The Chairman informed the members that Council vide its letter dated 22.02.2021, circulated to all the members of the Executive Committee a proposal for grant of Scholarship by the Council to the needy EWS category students.</p> <p>He explained that the Scheme is proposed for the benefit of needy students from EWS Category who cannot afford the architectural education at undergraduate level.</p> <p>The Executive Committee deliberated in detail in the matter including the financial viability and earmarking of funds separately for the purpose. Ar. Bansan Singh Thangkhiew suggested that the Board members should be from across the country. The Executive Committee accepted the suggestions and decided that the Constitution of the Board Members requires changes and members of the Council from all the five zones (north, east, west south and central) be included. Further, one member from SPAs be taken. The Registrar, COA, be included as Member Secretary.</p> <p>The Executive Committee further decided to constitute a Sub-Committee of following experts/ persons to prepare the detailed modalities including eligibility criteria, payment mode, selection of beneficiaries etc.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. President, CoA 2. Vice-President, CoA 3. Director, SPA, New Delhi 4. IIA Representative 5. Head of Institution 6. Central Govt. Nominee 7. Ar. Jeet Kumar Gupta <p>The Executive Committee decided that the report/ recommendations of the Sub-Committee be placed before Full Council for according its approval and also be sent to Central Government for sanction of grants for the purpose.</p>
ITEM NO.6	<p>TO CONSIDER LEGAL OPINION RECEIVED FROM THE COUNCIL'S ADVOCATE SHRI NAVEEN R. NATH REGARDING FACULTY QUALIFICATION AS PRESCRIBED IN MINIMUM STANDARDS OF ARCHITECTURAL EDUCATION REGULATIONS, 2020.</p>



	<p>The Executive Committee perused the legal opinion dated 11th March 2021, received from Shri Naveen R Nath, Advocate regarding the qualifications required by /faculty members of Architecture institutions in view of the Council of Architecture (Minimum Standard of Architectural Education) Regulations, 2020 and decided as under:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) All faculty members appointed after Council of Architecture (Minimum Standard of Architectural Education) Regulations, 2020 need to obtain master's degree before acquiring Ph.D. Degree in Architecture; ii) Faculty Members appointed prior to Regulations, 2020 shall be governed by 1983 Regulations; and iii) All existing faculty members shall be promoted to higher posts only on possessing the qualifications and experience as prescribed in 2020 Regulations.
ITEM NO.7	<p>TO TAKE NOTE ON THE RELAXATION IN ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION TO B. ARCH COURSE FOR ACADEMIC SESSION 2021-2022.</p>
	<p>The Chairman informed the members that the eligibility for admission to B.Arch. Course as provided under Council of Architecture (Minimum Standards of Architectural Education) Regulations, 2020, is as under:</p> <p><i>"4. (1) No candidate shall be admitted to the architecture course unless he has passed an examination at the end of 10+2 scheme of examination with at least 50 per cent aggregate marks in Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics and also at least 50 per cent marks in aggregate at the 10+2 level examination or passed 10+3 Diploma Examination with Mathematics as compulsory subject with at least 50 per cent marks in aggregate."</i></p> <p>However, the attention of the Council was invited towards the letter No. F.No.37-2/2019-TS.III dated 21.01.2021 issued by the Ministry relaxing the eligibility criteria in JEE (Mains) Examination 2021 being conducted for admission to NITs and other Centrally funded institutions in view of Covid-19 Pandemic.</p> <p>Therefore, considering the Covid-19 Pandemic situation in the country and also to keep in line with the policy decision taken by the Ministry to keep only pass in 12th Board exams as eligibility for admission to technical/ professional course and to arrive at equitable eligibility criteria having parity for all the Institutions, it was decided to consider the revision/ relaxation in eligibility for admission to B.Arch. Course for the academic session 2021-2022, in regard to the minimum percentage of marks in PCM and aggregate</p>

	<p>of 10+2, as a one-time measure as was done during the academic session academic session 2020-2021.</p> <p>Accordingly, the Council vide its letter no.CA/1/2021/Council (Circulation) dated 03.03.2021, by circulation of papers to the Council Members, passed the following Resolution:</p> <p>Resolution No.:530</p> <p>Resolved that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In view of the Pandemic Covid 19, the eligibility for Admission to 1st year in 5-year B.Arch. Degree Course in regard to minimum requirement of obtaining 50% in PCM and aggregate of 10+2 be relaxed as only pass in 12th Class with PCM subjects/ 10+3 Diploma with subject of Mathematics, as the case may be, as a one-time measure for the academic session 2021-2022 only. 2. The above relaxed eligibility shall be implemented with the Approval of the Central Government <p>The above resolution has been submitted to the Central Government for according its approval for relaxing the eligibility criteria in terms of above resolution, as one-time measure due to pandemic of Covid-19, for the academic session 2021-2022 only, by amending the eligibility as prescribed Regulation 4 (1) of the Council of Architecture (Minimum Standards of Architectural Education) Regulation, 2020.</p> <p>The Central Government vide its letter no.F.No.4-10/2020-TS.VI dated 22nd March, 2021 accorded its approval to the Council's proposal. Accordingly, a gazette notification dated 23.03.2021 was published in the Gazette of India.</p> <p>The Executive Committee noted the information in the matter.</p>
ITEM NO.8	<p>TO TAKE NOTE ON ORDER DATED IN 15.03.2021 OF MADRAS HIGH COURT IN THE MATTER OF THIAGARAJAR COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING VS. THE SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION, GOVT. OF TAMILNADU & ORS.</p>
	<p>The Registrar-Secretary informed the members that Council vide its letter no.CA/5/Academic-TN-11-PG dated 14.08.2020, reduced the intake in M.Arch. Course from 20 to 10 students in TN11- Department of Architecture, Thiagarajar College of Engineer, Madurai.</p> <p>The Institution challenged the decision of the Council before Hon'ble Madras High Court in the W.P. No. 14103 Of 2020. The Hon'ble High Court</p>

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	<p>vide its order dated 15.03.2021 quashed the above letter of Council and directed that the Petitioner Institution be granted with an intake of 20 in M.Arch. Course for the Academic Session 2020-21.</p> <p>The Executive Committee after perusing the order dated 15.03.2021, though did not concur with findings and reasons given by the Hon'ble Judge in the order but to avoid further litigations and engagement of resources for challenging the order, decided that the Institution be given approval with an intake of 20 for the academic session 2020-2021 in M.Arch. Course.</p>
ITEM NO.9	<p>TO APPROVE PAYMENT MADE TO SHRI RAVINDER KUMAR FOR EXAMINING THE PROPOSAL OF THE COUNCIL FOR AMENDMENTS IN RECRUITMENT AND PROMOTION REGULATION OF COUNCIL AND REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS COMMITTEE.</p>
	<p>The Chairman informed the members that Executive Committee in its 219th meeting held on 02.08.2020 vide item No.5, decided to engage the services of Shri Ravindra Kumar a retired officer from Govt. of India, for the following scope of work related to amending the COA Recruitment and Promotion Regulations and to evaluate report/ recommendation of ARC Report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) To examine the proposed amendments approved by the Council for creation of several posts and pay-scales for the same; ii) To examine the communication received from MHRD on the proposed amendments; iii) To evaluate the report/ recommendations ARC; and iv) To suggest methods/ procedures for appointment of general contractual staff and technical / professional contractual staff and the remuneration and other benefits to be extended to them and revisions to be made in the remuneration from time to time. <p>Shri Ravindra Kumar had requested for release of on account payment of Rs.60,000/- which was released to him on the recommendation of the concerned Committee and after approval of the President, Council of Architecture.</p> <p>The Executive Committee approved the payment made to Shri Ravindra Kumar for the above assignment.</p>
ITEM NO.10	<p>TO CONSIDER THE REPLY OF AR. VIJAY GARG ON THE ENQUIRY COMMITTEE CONSTITUTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON MISUSE OF OFFICE OF PRESIDENT, COA.</p>
	<p>The Executive Committee decided to defer the matter to the next meeting.</p>
ITEM NO. 11	<p>TO TAKE THE NOTE OF CONSTITUTION OF REVIEW PANEL FOR REVIEWING DRAFT VOLUMES OF MANUAL OF ARCHITECTURAL PRACTICE.</p>



	<p>The Chairman informed the members that the Council constituted a Sub-Committee to prepare the Manual of Architectural Practice under the Convenorship of Ar. J. Manoharan with Ar. P. Vaitianadin Ar. Vijay Uppal, Ar. N. Mahesh, Ar. Sandeep Shikre, Ar. Salil Ranadive and Ar. Prashant Sutaria as members.</p> <p>The Sub-Committee so far held on 43 meetings and has prepared 3 Volumes namely, Volume 1 – Architectural Practice, Volume 2 – Guidelines for the engagement for Architects and for Competitions, Volume 3 – Contracts/Agreements for Professional Services and other volumes are in progress.</p> <p>Further, a Review Panel consisting of following architects have also been constituted to examine the 3 Volumes prepared by the Sub-Committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ar. Vivek Gupta; 2. Ar. Lalichan Zacharias; 3. Ar. Milana M. V.; 4. Ar. Jayprakash B. Agrawal; 5. Ar. V. Narashimhan <p>After receipt of views/ suggestions from the Review Panel the Volumes will be placed before EC for according its approval.</p> <p>The Executive Committee noted the information in the matter and appreciated the effort put in by the Committee for preparation of Manual of Architectural Practice.</p>
ITEM NO.12	TO TAKE THE NOTE ON PROGRESS MADE REGARDING CONDUCT OF NATA 2021 EXAMINATION.
	<p>The Chairman informed the members that the Executive Committee in its 220th Meeting held on 15.12.2020 constituted the NATA Coordination Committee with the following members for the conduct of NATA for the year 2021 as under:</p> <p>(1) Ar. Ranee Vedamuthu, Convenor (2) Ar. Sapna, Co-Convenor, (3) Ar. Ramesh Kumar, Member, and (4) Ar. Abhay Purohit, Member (5) Ar. Shirish Sukhatme, Special Invitee</p> <p>The Council due to Covid-19 pandemic and resultant lockdown had conducted NATA 2020 as a total computer-based test for the first time in the year 2020, testing the cognitive skills, general aptitude & logical reasoning of the candidates at test centres or from their homes while omitting the physical drawing content.</p> <p>The Council of Architecture, at its 73rd Special Meeting held online on 26th July, 2020, had considered the revised syllabus and conduct of NATA as a comprehensive online aptitude test for the year 2020 and had approved the</p>



same. The test had been designed in a manner that the outcomes of a physical drawing tests were judged and evaluated without compromising the Aptitude of physical drawing content/ skills.

Based on the recommendation of the NATA Coordination Committee, while keeping in view the threat of pandemic Covid-19, it was decided to conduct **NATA 2021** as a computer-based test at various test centres across the Country on April 10, 2021 and June 12, 2021 respectively.

Further, in order to do away with these glitches and to refine the evaluation process of identifying the real aptitude of a candidate to study architecture, the NATA Coordination Committee decided to conduct NATA 2021 in one session as one part and accordingly, decided to prepare and design the syllabus and pattern of the examination on similar lines as approved by the Council last year, using different testing formats & techniques.

The aptitude test will comprise of questions that could be of the Multiple-Choice type (MCQ), Multiple Select type (MSQ), Preferential Choice type (PCQ) and Numerical Answer type (NAQ). The aptitude of the candidate will be assessed using some or all of the following techniques:

- **Diagrammatic Reasoning** –Tests the ability of logical reasoning, using diagrams and scenarios.
- **Numerical Reasoning** –Tests mathematical ability through simple problems
- **Verbal Reasoning** – Assesses the ability to assess verbal logic.
- **Inductive Reasoning** –Tests the ability to see patterns and analyse given data
- **Situational Judgment** –Tests problem-solving ability.
- **Logical Reasoning** –Tests ability to recognise patterns, sequences or relationships between shapes and imagery.
- **Abstract Reasoning** –Will assess general knowledge, and ability to utilise knowledge in new situations.

Questions could be asked in various topics that assess candidates on basic concepts in mathematics, physics and geometry, language and interpretation, elements and principles of design, aesthetic sensitivity, colour theory, lateral thinking and logical reasoning, visual perception and cognition, graphics and imagery, building anatomy and architectural vocabulary, basic techniques of building construction and knowledge of material, general knowledge and current affairs, etc. and may not be limited to those outlined.

The outline, details and process for applying for NATA 2021 has been published in the NATA brochure for the information of candidates, general public and all concerned at the portal of NATA and Council. The Council is also exploring options to conduct NATA 2021 at a few international cities.



	<p>The above has been circulated to Hon'ble members of the Council for their kind information and for ratification of the decision taken by the President, Council of Architecture. Necessary arrangements are being made by the Council and service provider for smooth conduct of NATA examination.</p> <p>The Executive Committee noted the above information and appreciated the efforts made in the matter.</p>
ITEM NO.13	TO TAKE NOTE OF THE REPORT OF NATA COORDINATION COMMITTEE REPORT FOR CONDUCT OF NATA 2020.
	<p>The Registrar-Secretary informed the Committee that NATA Coordination Committee constituted by the Executive Committee for conduct of NATA 2020, in its online meeting on Zoom on 07.01.2021, finalized its report on conduct of NATA 2020 with its observations and recommendations.</p> <p>The Executive Committee perused the report of the NATA Coordination Committee noted that though there were several shortcomings in the services of M/s. Ginger Webs. Pvt. Ltd. during the conduct of NATA 2020, however, the service provider rectified the same and addressed that up to the satisfaction of the Council and extended full cooperation at all stages for successful completion of the test.</p> <p>The Executive Committee also noted that the work was awarded to the Company during pre-Covid-19 period and whole process got changed after the spread of the Pandemic.</p> <p>Thus, the Executive Committee based on the recommendations of the NATA 2020 Coordination Committee decided that a sum of Rs.16,12,415/- (incl. GST) be released towards the full and final settlement of the invoice as raised by the vendor for NATA 2020.</p>
ITEM NO.14	TO CONSIDER GRANT OF WORK ORDER FOR NATA 2021 TO M/S. GINGER WEB PVT. LTD, FOR CONDUCT OF NATA 2021 EXAMINATION ONLINE.
	<p>The Registrar Secretary informed the members that the Council appointed M/s. Ginger Webs Pvt Ltd., Noida as its service provider to conduct NATA through award of tender in the year 2020. The tender awarded by the Council carried a clause (s) of "Other Terms & Conditions" which was as under:</p> <p>"Tender awarded to the successful bidder may be extended by one more year (i.e. NATA-2021) by the Council, subject to satisfactory performance of the service provider in the conduct of NATA for the first year."</p> <p>The NATA Coordination Committee, at its online meeting held on February 2, 2021, recommended that based on the satisfactory performance of the</p>

	<p>vendor, M/s. Ginger Webs Pvt Ltd., Noida, in the conduct of NATA 2020, the same vendor may be extended for 1 more year to conduct NATA 2021, in terms of the clause (s) of "Other Terms & Conditions" of the Tender.</p> <p>Accordingly, M/s. Ginger Webs Pvt Ltd. has been asked to carry out the work of NATA 2021.</p> <p>The Executive Committee deliberated in the matter and agreed with the recommendations of the NATA 2021 Coordination Committee and decided that M/s. Ginger Webs Pvt Ltd. be issued work order for undertaking NATA 2021 work on the same terms & conditions as were application for NATA 2020.</p>
ITEM No. 15	<p>TO CONSIDER REQUEST RECEIVED FROM INDIAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS (IIA) REGARDING REVISION IN ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION TO ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP OF IIA (BY EXAMINATION).</p>
	<p>The Chairman informed the members that the Council is in receipt of a proposal from Indian Institute of Architects (IIA) for change of eligibility vide its email dated 28.10.2020 for enrolment in IIA course of Examination to qualify for election of Associate Membership of IIA (by Examination). IIA has requested to include higher qualifications such as B.E.Civil, B.Tech. Architecture /Civil Engineering, Bachelor in Interior Design, B.Sc. in Interior Design and students who have passed 3rd year of B.Arch., in the eligibility criteria for enrolment for AIIA (By Exam) in IIA scheme of examinations.</p> <p>The Council had, vide its letter dated 20.10.2014, approved the revised IIA Examination Scheme 2014 and Syllabus of Part, I, II, III and IV for Associate Membership of Indian Institute of Architects (By Examination), as proposed by IIA from the academic session 2014-2015 onwards.</p> <p>The approved eligibility criteria being followed by IIA for enrolment for AIIA (By Exam) presently is as under:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 3 years full time Diploma course either in Architectural Assistantship or in Interior Design or Civil Engineering, duly recognised by the Central/State Government, with minimum 50% marks and NATA qualified. - Experience: In case the Diploma in Architectural Assistantship or Interior Design is done after 10+2, then one year practical experience otherwise 2 years. In case the Diploma in Civil Engineering is done after 10+2, then 2 year practical experience otherwise 3 years. <p>The IIA has proposed the following change in eligibility for enrolment in Associateship Membership of IIA (By Examination) vide its proposal:</p>

- The candidates having B.E.Civil, B.Tech. Architecture/Civil Engineering, Bachelor in Interior Design or B.Sc. in Interior Design having one year practical experience under Registered architect who is having 5 years professional working experience and also a fellow/associate member of IIA, may also be considered eligible for IIA course of examination, after qualifying NATA.
- If the Council agrees to treat the left-out students of B.Arch. course after passing third year in all respects, is equivalent to the Diploma in architecture, then the candidates may be admitted to the IIA course at par with the candidates having 3-year full time Diploma course in Architectural Assistantship.

The Executive Committee deliberated the matter in detail and noted that though the syllabus of IIA was approved by the Council in the year 2014 but there has been no inspection of IIA Examination from a long time though this is a recognized qualification equivalent to B.Arch. course.

The Executive Committee noted that Section 18 of the Architects Act, inter alia empowers the Council to seek information as to courses of study and examination to be undergone and the requisites for obtaining such qualifications. Further, Section 21 of the Act empowers the Council to lay down minimum Standard of Architectural Education for imparting recognized qualifications.

The Executive Committee, therefore, after detailed deliberations in the matter decided as under :

- i) The Indian Institute of Architects (IIA) must seek approval of the Council as an institution to enroll students for Membership of IIA (By Examination), which is a recognized qualification;
- ii) The intake of IIA would be decided based on its infrastructure and academic facilities; and
- iii) The IIA be asked to submit a revised course content/ syllabus, scheme of Examination in lines with the Minimum Standards of Architectural Education Regulations, 2020 ;

The Executive Committee also decided to appoint a Fact Finding Committee of following experts to oversee and the entire process being followed by IIA and make its report:

1. Ar. Kavita D Rao; Convenor;
2. Ar. Shirish Shukhatme, Member; and
3. Ar. Salil Ranadive, Member.



	The Executive Committee decided that till the time this process is completed the request of IIA for change of eligibility criteria, etc. be kept in abeyance.
ITEM NO.16	TO CONSIDER THE LETTERS RECEIVED FROM ANDHRA PRADESH STATE COUNCIL OF HIGHER EDUCATION REQUESTING FOR EXTENSION OF DATE FOR B.ARCH. DUE TO DELAY IN ADMISSIONS DURING 2019-2020 IN ANDHRA PRADESH.
	<p>The Executive Committee noted that the Council is in receipt of communications from Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education regarding approval for late admission of students for 6 institutions of Andhra Pradesh for the academic session 2019-2020 since the B. Arch. admissions were delayed due to court case filed by management of Private unaided professional institutions with regard to the implementation of fee structure.</p> <p>Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education vide its letters dated 16.12.2020, 30.11.2020, 05.09.2019, requested to extend the time for admission for state of Andhra Pradesh and accord approval for the completion of Architecture admission process till 05.09.2019 for 2019-2020 as students are unable to apply for enrolment numbers.</p> <p>The Executive Committee perused the communications sent by the Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education and after detailed deliberations approved the late admission of students during the academic session 2019-2020, as a one-time measure purely in the interest of students and directed that in future concerned authority must obtain prior approval from the Council in case admissions are to be made after the last date is over in B.Arch. Degree Course(s).</p>
ITEM NO. 17	TO CONSIDER THE REQUEST FROM OR08- DEPARTMENT OF ARCHITECTURE & PLANNING INDIRA GANDHI INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AT-SARANG, PO-IGIT, DIST-DHENUKANAL ODISHA, PIN 759146, TO REGULARIZE UNAPPROVED B.ARCH. BATCHES ADMITTED BY THE INSTITUTION.
	<p>The Registrar-Secretary informed the members that the Council had appointed an Academic Review Committee to conduct Comprehensive Academic Review for the previous B.Arch. batches admitted by OR08 - Department of Architecture & Planning Indira Gandhi Institute of Technology At-Sarang, PO-IGIT, Dist-Dhenukanal Pin 759146, Odisha, without the valid approval of the Council of Architecture during academic session 2014-2015 (20 students) & 2015-2016 (34 students) so that their regularization could be considered.</p> <p>The Executive Committee perused the report of Inspectors and noted that several shortcomings were noticed by the Expert Committee. The report of the Comprehensive Academic Review also observed shortage of senior faculty and recommended for re-submission of students' design thesis.</p>



	<p>The Executive Committee after detailed deliberations decided that the matter needs to be examined and the University be asked not to award degree to these students till further communication from the Council. The Council also getting queries/ request from the students of the University that University may kindly be asked to award the degree.</p> <p>The institution has, vide letter dated 29.12.2020, has requested the Council to regularize the said students.</p> <p>The Executive Committee perused the letter dated 29.12.2020 of the institution and held detailed deliberations in the matter and decided that a One-Man Committee be appointed to lay down a bridge course for these students, in order to ascertain the future course of action in the matter.</p>									
ITEM NO.18	<p>TO CONSIDER REQUESTS RECEIVED FROM INSTITUTION IMPARTING B.ARCH. COURSE FOR CLOSURE OF INSTITUTION FROM ACADEMIC SESSION 2020-2021.</p>									
	<p>The Executive Committee noted that the following institutions have sent their request for closure of their respective institution:</p> <table><tr><th>Sl.</th><th>Name & Inst.code of the Institutions</th><th>Course and commencement year</th></tr><tr><td>1.</td><td>MH110 Siddant College of Architecture Talegaon Chakan Road Sudumbare Tal-Maval, Dist-Pune</td><td>B.Arch. course – 2018. No students</td></tr><tr><td>2.</td><td>TN14 Salem School of Architecture Vinayaka Mission's KirupanandaVariyar Engineering College Campus NH-47, Sankari Main Road, Periya Seeragapadi (PO), SALEM-636 308</td><td>B.Arch. course – 2005. 7 students in 2015-16 Batch 13 students in 2016-17 Batch</td></tr></table> <p>The Executive Committee deliberated the matter and decided to accept the request of the above institution for closure after deduction of necessary charges for the same and directed that its decision be informed to the concerned institutions.</p>	Sl.	Name & Inst.code of the Institutions	Course and commencement year	1.	MH110 Siddant College of Architecture Talegaon Chakan Road Sudumbare Tal-Maval, Dist-Pune	B.Arch. course – 2018. No students	2.	TN14 Salem School of Architecture Vinayaka Mission's KirupanandaVariyar Engineering College Campus NH-47, Sankari Main Road, Periya Seeragapadi (PO), SALEM-636 308	B.Arch. course – 2005. 7 students in 2015-16 Batch 13 students in 2016-17 Batch
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ITEM NO.19	TO TAKE NOTE OF THE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM INSTITUTIONS IMPARTING B.ARCH/M.ARCH COURSE FOR GRANT OF APPROVAL FOR THE ACADEMIC SESSION 2021-2022.
	<p>The Registrar-Secretary informed the members that the Council is in receipt of applications from existing/new institutions for grant of approval for imparting B.Arch./ M.Arch. degree courses for the academic session 2021-2022. The details of applications received till date are as under:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.Applications for extension of approval of B.Arch.course : 345 2.Applications for extension of Approval of M.Arch.course: 93 3.Applications for Additional Intake in B.Arch. course: 12 (10 are falling in regions in category 4 of Council's Perspective Plan) 4.Applications for Introduction of B.Arch. course : 19 (8 are falling in regions stated in category 4 of Council's Perspective Plan. 1 application stands withdrawn by Trust/Society.) 5.Applications for Introduction of M. Arch.course: 22 <p>The Executive Committee discussed the matter in detail and observed that all approvals have to be considered in lines with the Policy on Perspective Plan for Growth of Architectural Education 2020, as approved by the Council.</p> <p>The Executive Committee asked the Registrar-Secretary to study the proposals received by the Council for introduction and for additional intake strictly as per Perspective policy and also seek clarification from the Perspective Committee about states covered under Category, in case required.</p> <p>The Executive Committee further decided that the inspections be scheduled for the institutions against which complaints have been received, institutions found deficient last year and institutions which have applied for Additional Intake, on the first-priority and thereafter other institutions be inspected.</p> <p>The Executive Committee also decided to re-constitute the Scrutiny Committee as under:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ar. Kavita D. Rao, Convenor; 2. Ar. Pushkar Kanvinde, Member; 3. Ar. Chandan Parab, Member; 4. Ar. Arvind Kumar Ahirwar, Member ; and 5. Ar. Nilakshi D. Sharma, Member
ITEM NO.20	TO CONSIDER ISSUANCE OF ENROLMENT NUMBERS TO STUDENTS PASSED TANATA CONDUCTED BY ANNA UNIVERSITY AND ADMITTED INTO B.ARCH. COURSE BY THE INSTITUTIONS NOT AFFILIATED TO ANNA UNIVERSITY.



	<p>The Registrar-Secretary informed the members that the Council is in receipt of various requests from institutions in Tamil Nadu for enrolment of students who has qualified Tamil Nadu Aptitude Test in Architecture (TANATA) during the year 2017-2018 & 2018-2019. The enrolment numbers of the students have been kept pending for the institutions which were not affiliated to Anna University, for want of clarification as to the validity of TANATA for such students.</p> <p>The attention of the Council now has been brought to notifications dated 18.07.2017 & 11.07.2018, issued by Higher Education Department, Government of Tamil Nadu regarding admission of students into B.Arch. course at institutions in the state of Tamil Nadu.</p> <p>On perusal of notifications, it is noted that the Government of Tamil Nadu after careful examination, authorized Anna University to conduct TANATA for admission of students into B.Arch. course for filling up of unfilled seats remitted back to the management by TNEA (Government quota lapsed seats) and seats under Management quota by the management of the colleges.</p> <p>The Executive Committee deliberated in detail in the matter and decided that all the students who have passed the aptitude test i.e. TANATA conducted by Anna University be granted enrolment numbers, as a one-time measure in the interest of students, so that these students can continue their studies in B.Arch. Course in the respective institution(s). However, now as per Minimum Standards of Architectural Education Regulations, 2020, passing aptitude test conducted by the Council is mandatory.</p>
ITEM NO.21	TO CONSIDER ISSUANCE OF ENROLMENT NUMBERS TO STUDENTS TEST CONDUCTED BY I.K GUJRAL PUNJAB TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY AND ADMITTED INTO B.ARCH. COURSE BY INSTITUTIONS NOT AFFILIATED TO IKGPTU UNIVERSITY.
	<p>The Registrar-Secretary informed the members that the Council is in receipt of requests from institutions not affiliated with I.K. Gujral Punjab Technical University, for enrollment of students who passed Aptitude Test in Architecture (IKGPTU) conducted by I.K. Gujral Punjab Technical University, Punjab for admission to 1st year of 5-year B.Arch. degree course for the years 2017-2018 & 2018-2019.</p> <p>The Executive Committee deliberated in the matter and decided that all the students who have passed the aptitude test in Architecture conducted by I.K. Gujral Punjab Technical University be granted enrolment numbers, as a one-time measure in the interest of students, so that these students can continue their studies in B.Arch. Course in the respective institution(s). However, now as per Minimum Standards of Architectural Education Regulations, 2020, passing aptitude test conducted by the Council is mandatory.</p>



ITEM NO.22	ELECTION OF A MEMBER OF THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE BY THE COUNCIL.
	<p>The Executive Committee noted that Ar. N. K. Negi, the then member of the Council, was elected unanimously by the Council as a member of the Disciplinary Committee. However, consequent upon expiry of the term and appointment of his successor, he ceased to be a member of the Council and Disciplinary Committee.</p> <p>The President, COA, vide Resolution No. 531, by circulation of papers, proposed the name of Ar. Amogh Kumar Gupta, as a member of the Disciplinary Committee, vide Council's letter no.CA/85 (ii)/2021/DC dated 05.03.2021.</p> <p>The Council has received views from 17 members. 16 members supported the resolution sent by the Council and Ar. J. Manoharan, Member, suggested that a special meeting of Council be convened, and Election officer be appointed for conducting election and then only a member be elected.</p> <p>The Executive Committee noted that majority of the members of the Council have supported the Resolution proposed by the President, COA, and thus approved the same.</p> <p>The Executive Committee, therefore, decided that appropriate communication be sent to Central Government to notify the name of Ar. Amogh Kumar Gupta as member of the Disciplinary Committee so that the Committee can start investigating the cases referred to it by the Full Council.</p>
ITEM NO.23	ANY OTHER ITEM WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR.
i)	<p>Co-option of Ar. Kapil Setia, as a member of the Executive Committee.</p> <p>The Chairman informed the members that in view of expiry of membership of Ar. N.K. Negi consequent upon cessation of his membership in the Council and also re-nomination Ar.Kapil Setia, after expiry of his existing term, as nominee of UT of Chandigarh, he has decided to co-opt Ar. Kapil Setia, as a member of the Executive Committee to have proper quorum in the Meeting of the Executive Committee and to maintain continuity, in terms of Regulation 20(5) of the Council of Architecture Regulation, 1982</p>
The meeting ended at 4 00 p m with a vote of thanks to the Chair	

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