

COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTURE

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NOTICE UNDER SECTION 36 AND 37 OF THE ARCHITECTS ACT, 1972

Notice No. CA/328/15/2025/AE (Title-Online)

August 04, 2025

Mr. Kunal Kuwadekar, Owner, M/s. Naren Kuwadekar and Associates 801, Signature by Lotus Developer, Captain Suresh Samant Marg, Shastri Nagar, Jogeshwari West, Mumbai, Maharashtra 400053 Mobile: +91 9029115111

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Dear Sir,

It has come to the notice of the Council of Architecture that you have established a firm with the name "M/s Naren Kuwadekar and Associates" for carrying on the profession of an Architect in India and using the title and style of "Architect" with your name and misrepresenting himself as an Architect on your on your website https://www.nkarchitect.com/ social media (Instagram) and to general public, despite not being registered as an Architect with the Council of Architecture.

Whereas the Council of Architecture is a statutory body constituted under Section 3 of the Architects Act, 1972, vested with the authority to prescribe, regulate, and monitor standards of architectural education and practice across India, and further for the registration of architects;

And whereas Sections 36 and 37 of the Architects Act, 1972, prohibit the unauthorized use of the title 'Architect' and misrepresentation as an Architect also prescribe penalties for falsely claiming to be a registered Architect;

Upon verification of the Register of Architects maintained under Section 23 of the Architects Act, 1972, it has been confirmed that you are not registered as an Architect and falsely posing as an Architect to mislead and cheat general public.

Accordingly, you are hereby directed to show cause within 7 days from the receipt of this notice as to why appropriate legal action should not be initiated against you for misrepresenting yourself as an Architect and using the title 'Architect' without valid registration. Your written reply, along with relevant supporting documents, must be submitted to the Registrar, Council of Architecture.

In case you are registered kindly confirm your registration number and also confirm the name of registered Architect(s) who is/are partners in this firm. If not registered, then immediately stop/ representing as an Architect and remove the word "Architect" from any drawing, plan, document, visiting Card, hoarding board, letter head, stamp, social media, website/e-advertisement etc. for soliciting architectural work and issue a press notification that you are not an "Architect" for information of the general public.

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