



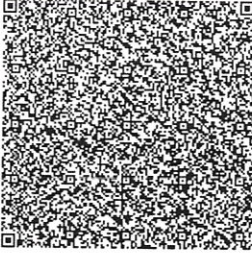
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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

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Memorandum of Understanding

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ("MoU") is entered into on the 11th day of February 2019 at India Habitat Center, New Delhi.

Preamble

This Memorandum of Understanding is being signed between:

GRIHA Council 1st Floor, A 260, Defence Colony, Block A, Defence Colony, New Delhi, Delhi 110024

And

Council of Architecture located at India Habitat Centre, Core-6A, 1st Floor, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003, India.

GRIHA Council

Together with The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE), Government of India, TERI developed GRIHA (Green Rating for Integrated Habitat Assessment), which has been endorsed as the 'National rating system for green buildings in India' in the year 2007.

GRIHA is an indigenous green building rating system developed specifically to suit Indian climate and construction practices. The rating aligns itself with the national regulatory framework and policies, such as, National Building Code, Energy Conservation Building Code, Ministry of Environment and Forests clearance, Central Pollution Control Board guidelines etc. India, in its INDC document submitted at COP 21 in Paris has highlighted GRIHA as an indigenous green building rating system developed in India.

In order to achieve the aforementioned goals and objectives, GRIHA Council, a not-for-profit independent society, was formed by TERI and MNRE to administer, promote and implement GRIHA in the country. The GRIHA Council issues GRIHA Certification for new buildings as well as retrofits and carries out all activities related to the issuance of GRIHA certification.

All buildings, which are in the design stage, are eligible for certification under GRIHA. Buildings include: offices, retail spaces, institutional buildings, hotels, hospital buildings, healthcare facilities, residences, multi-family high-rise buildings and campuses.



Complimentary



Council of Architecture

The Council of Architecture (COA) has been constituted by the Government of India under the provisions of the Architects Act, 1972, enacted by the Parliament of India, which came into force on 1st September, 1972. The Act provides for registration of Architects, standards of education, recognized qualifications and standards of practice to be complied with by the practicing architects. The Council of Architecture is charged with the responsibility to regulate the education and practice of profession throughout India besides maintaining the register of architects. For this purpose, the Government of India has framed Rules and Council of Architecture has framed Regulations as provided for in the Architects Act, with the approval of Government of India.

Any person desirous of carrying on the profession of 'Architect' must have registered himself with Council of Architecture. For the purpose of registration, one must possess the requisite qualification as appended to the Architects Act, after having undergone the education in accordance with the Council of Architecture Minimum Standards of Architectural Education, 2017. The registration with Council of Architecture entitles a person to practice the profession of architecture, provided he holds a Certificate of Registration with up-to-date renewals. The registration also entitles a person to use the title and style of Architect. The title and style of architect can also be used by a firm of architects, of which all partners are registered with COA. Limited Companies, Private/Public Companies, societies and other juridical persons are not entitled to use the title and style of architect nor are they entitled to practice the profession of architecture. If any person falsely claims to be registered or misuses title and style of architect, such acts tantamount to committing of a criminal offence, which is punishable under section 36 or 37 (2) of the Architects Act, 1972.

The practice of profession of an architect is governed by the Architects (Professional Conduct) Regulations, 1989 (as amended in 2003), which deals with professional ethics and etiquette, conditions of engagement and scale of charges, architectural competition guidelines etc. Pursuant to these Regulations, the Council of Architecture has framed guidelines governing the various aspects of practice. An architect is required to observe professional conduct as stipulated in the Regulations of 1989 and any violation thereof

shall constitute a professional misconduct, which will attract disciplinary action as stipulated under section 30 of the Architects Act, 1972.



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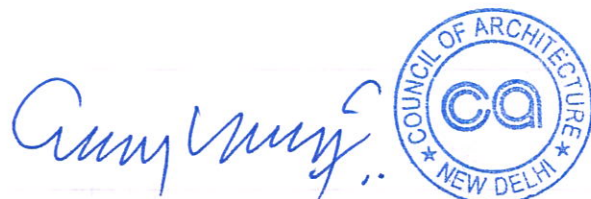


Objectives

- GRIHA Council & Council of Architecture through this MOU have both decided to work jointly in areas of mutual interest.
- GRIHA Council & Council of Architecture agree to exchange information on the latest developments in their respective fields that are of common interest, and jointly work, in particular to benefit the members of the Real estate Industry with focus on sustainable design.
- GRIHA Council & Council of Architecture agree to participate in each other's events and programs for knowledge sharing & networking between the members of the two Parties.
- GRIHA Council and Council of Architecture share a common vision of promoting Sustainability in built environment through efficient building design and optimum use of resources with special emphasis on Architectural design and the Built Environment.
- GRIHA Council and Council of Architecture agree that India presents a vast potential for constructing Green Buildings. Enhanced co-operation between GRIHA Council and Council of Architecture will help the advancement of Green Buildings in India as the mainstream choice for Builders/Owners.
- Council of Architecture & GRIHA Council will jointly work in development of Industry Standards, as and when required. In all relevant cases where new Standards are being developed by GRIHA Council, President and one other member (*to be nominated by executive committee*) from Council of Architecture to be the part of Managing Committee of GRIHA Council.

Areas of Cooperation-

- GRIHA Council and Council of Architecture shall work together to create awareness about Sustainable development through Programs & Events across India and to develop the pool of Evaluators and Certified professionals.
- Council of Architecture in all its gatherings and programs held all over In India and over their website will give wide publicity to The GRIHA Summit for greater outreach.



- GRIHA Council will provide 10 complimentary entries to COA for GRIHA Summit and Regional GRIHA Summit (list of members to be provided by Registrar, COA)
- GRIHA Council shall consider an exclusive pricing on GRIHA Summit registration fee for Faculty of Architecture and Architecture Students (from COA registered institutes only) in case of bulk participation.
 - ✓ 25% discount for 5 to 10 participants
 - ✓ 40% discount for participation more than 10 participants
- GRIHA Council intends to out-source the 3-day training programme for Evaluators and Certified Professionals to Council of Architecture which would be conducted through their regional training centres. Similarly, Council of Architecture would also be engaged in conducting the Evaluator and Certified Professional exams at their centers based on a financial model that to be developed mutually.
- Council of Architecture will be engaged with GRIHA Council in enabling dissemination of the GRIHA rating amongst students through incorporation in curriculum of Architecture education.
- Details of courses organized by GRIHA Council and Council of Architecture will be given due publicity to Council of Architecture and GRIHA members vice versa, to participate in the same. Council of Architecture can recommend GRIHA modules to universities/ colleges for earning credits for Architecture faculties as well as students.
- To promote Information Exchange both GRIHA Council and Council of Architecture will post news/developments/upcoming events, and articles of interest of the other Society, on their websites.
- GRIHA Council and Council of Architecture jointly agreed to publish a half-yearly Journal for the promotion of Sustainable development. The editorial team would be set-up to review the articles/ papers for the Journal. Frequency of publication may be increased as agreed mutually.
- GRIHA & Council of Architecture shall work out series of modules for students of Architecture. These modules could be conducted in various places/ Schools of Architecture, for which the requisite human resource may be provided by GRIHA in subsidized fashion. The certificates for such modules shall be jointly issued by GRIHA and CoA.



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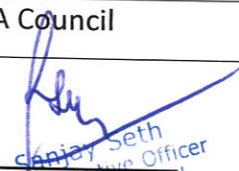

During the validity of this MoU, Council of Architecture will allow GRIHA Council to use their logo as an endorsement of The National and regional GRIHA Summit.

Tenure

This MoU shall be valid for two years form the date of its execution. However, agreements concluded under this MoU shall be valid till end of contracting obligations and responsibilities of the concerned Parties. The validity of this MoU can be further extended with the mutual consent of the Parties in writing.

Change/alteration in any clause of this MoU

Any change/alteration to this MoU shall be with the mutual consent of both the Parties and recorded in writing and which shall form part of this MoU. The MoU may be renewed, modified or amended with the mutual written consent of both parties.

For GRIHA Council	For Council of Architecture
 Sanjay Seth Chief Executive Officer GRIHA Council A-260, Defence Colony Bhisham Pitamah Marg New Delhi-110024	 President Vijay Garg Council of Architecture (A statutory body constituted by Govt. of India) India Habitat Centre, 6A, 1st Floor Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003

Witness: _____


Shabnam Bassi
Secretary
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Govt. of India, Under the Architects Act, 1972
Core 6A, 1st Floor, India Habitat Centre
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