


वास्तुकला परिषद्
Council of Architecture

वास्तुविद अधिनियम, 1972 के अंतर्गत भारत सरकार का एक स्वायत्त सांविधिक निकाय
(An Autonomous Statutory Body of Govt. of India, under the Architects Act, 1972)

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December 14, 2022

1. TO ALL SECRETARIES OF HIGHER/TECHNICAL EDUCATION IN STATES/UTS OF INDIA
2. TO ALL DIRECTORS OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION IN STATES/UTS OF INDIA
3. TO ALL THE HEADS OF ARCHITECTURAL INSTITUTIONS IMPARTING RECOGNIZED ARCHITECTURAL QUALIFICATIONS IN THE COUNTRY
4. TO ALL THE UNIVERSITIES AWARDDING B.ARCH./M.ARCH. DEGREE IN THE COUNTRY

Sub : Prescription of Council of Architecture (Minimum Standards of Architectural Education for Post – Graduate Degree Programme) Guidelines, 2022 for imparting M.Arch. degree course in the country–reg.

Dear Sir/ Madam,

I have to state that the Council of Architecture had prescribed the Council of Architecture (Minimum Standards of Architectural Education for Post-Graduate Programmes) Guidelines, 2006 under the provisions of the Architects Act, 1972 in the year 2006 in order to lay down Norms for imparting 2-year Post – Graduate Degree Programme in Architecture i.e. M.Arch. degree course in the country.

As the Post-Graduate Programmes in Architecture have undergone a considerable change during the past decade, the Council of Architecture at its 78th meeting held on November 7, 2022 considered and approved “Council of Architecture (Minimum Standards of Architectural Education for Post – Graduate Degree Programme) Guidelines, 2022”. These Guidelines have been prescribed by the Council in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 21 of the Architects Act, 1972 and are to be adhered to by all the universities, institutions and competent authorities for imparting M.Arch. degree courses from the academic session 2023-2024. A copy of these Guidelines is attached herewith for your ready reference.

In view of the above, all institutions and universities imparting M.Arch. degree course as well as competent authorities in the Central/State Governments are requested to implement Council of Architecture (Minimum Standards of Architectural Education for Post – Graduate Degree Programme) Guidelines, 2022 issued by the Council and ensure that the same are duly followed by the concerned institution/University for imparting the M.Arch. degree course in the country.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,



R.K. Oberoi
Registrar

Encl. : as above.

COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTURE

(Statutory Authority constituted under the Architects Act, 1972)

MINIMUM STANDARDS OF ARCHITECTURAL EDUCATION GUIDELINES FOR POST GRADUATE PROGRAMME, 2022.

In order to lay the minimum standards for Post Graduate programmes in Architecture, the Council of Architecture, hereby makes the following Guidelines for imparting Post Graduate programmes in Architecture, namely :-

1. Short Title and Commencement

These guidelines may be called the **Council of Architecture (Minimum Standards of Architectural Education for Post – Graduate Degree Programme) Guidelines, 2022.**

2. Definitions- In these guidelines, unless the context otherwise requires:-

- (a) –*Act* means the Architects Act, 1972 (20 of 1972);
- (b) –*Core faculty* means full time teaching staff members with valid registration with the Council, appointed by the institution on regular basis/ tenure basis.
- (c) –*Council* means of Council of Architecture constituted under section 3 of the Act;
- (d) –*Executive Committee* means the Executive Committee constituted under Section 10 of the Act;
- (e) –*Faculty* means the teaching staff members in the service of the institution;
- (f) –*Institution* means a department of University/ college/ school of architecture in India imparting instructions for recognized qualification;
- (g) –*Recognized qualifications* means any qualification in architecture for the time being included in the Schedule appended to the Act or notified under section 15 of Act.

3. Duration and Stages of the Post – Graduate Degree Programmes

- (i) The Post-Graduate full time degree programme shall be of minimum duration of 2 academic years or 4 semesters of 18 working weeks (90 working days) each.
- (ii) The Curriculum structure of the Architecture Post Graduate courses shall follow the guidelines as outlined in Appendix-A under the Choice Based Credit System. However, the modes of periodic assessment, end semester and viva voce examinations, weightages and grading system are left to the discretion of the University or Institution.
- (iii) A candidate shall be awarded the degree – M. Arch. (Post-Graduate degree in Architecture) programme by the University or Institution for having successfully earned the minimum credits as specified in the curriculum.
- (iv) The full time Post Graduate degree programme shall be completed in a maximum period of 3 years by a candidate. However, in special circumstances a candidate may be granted an extra 1 year by the University or Institution to complete the programme. This shall be given only once to the candidate and treated as zero year.

4. Admission to the Post Graduate full time degree programme

- (i) No candidate shall be admitted to Post Graduate full time degree or Certificate programme unless the candidate has passed an examination in B. Arch. Degree or equivalent with at least 50 percent aggregate marks or equivalent CGPI.

