

MINUTES OF THE 212TH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTURE, HELD ON 11TH APRIL, 2020 AT 5.00 P.M. ONLINE THROUGH ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCING APPLICATION.

PRESENT :

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| 1. Ar. Habeeb Khan | : | Chairman, in Chair |
| 2. Ar. Sapna | : | Vice-Chairperson |
| 3. Ar. N. K. Negi | : | Member |
| 4. Ar. Kapil Setia | : | Member |
| 5. Ar. Ramesh Kumar | : | Member |
| 6. Ar. Bansan Singh Thangkhiew | : | Member |
| 7. Ar. Sadiq Ali D.A. | : | Member |

In attendance:

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| 1. Shri R. K. Oberoi | : | Registrar – Secretary |
| 2. Shri Deepak Kumar | : | Administrative Officer |

The Chairman thanked the Vice-Chairperson, Members and Officers of the Council for having the Second Online meeting of the Executive Committee in view of nationwide lockdown announced by the Government of India for containment of pandemic Corona Virus. Thereafter, the regular agenda of the meeting was taken up.

ITEM NO.01	CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 211TH MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 1ST APRIL, 2020 AT 5.00 P.M. ONLINE.
	The Minutes of the 211 th Meeting of the Executive Committee held on 21 st and 22 nd February, 2020 as circulated to the members on 10 th April, 2020 were discussed and after deliberations, the Minutes were confirmed by the Members.
ITEM NO.02	ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE MINUTES OF THE 211TH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
	The Registrar, COA, informed the members that actions on the decisions taken by the Executive Committee in its 211 th meeting are being initiated. Further, Ar. N. K. Negi, Member informed that he has written a mail to Ar. Ramesh Kumar, Member about the Design Brief and Ar. Ramesh Kumar has also complimented the same with his inputs and sought the details regarding the requirements from the Council office. The Registrar, CoA informed that the required details/inputs would be furnished shortly.



Further, the Committee also decided that the revised drawings/ plans received from M/s. Babbar and Babbar Architects be sent to all EC Members for their consideration and approval.

As regards the Council's proposal on Amendments to the COA Recruitment and Promotion Regulations, the EC decided that the Sub-Committee under the Convenorship of Ar. Kapil Setia, Ar. N. K. Negi, Member, Ar. Amogh Kumar Gupta, Member and one external member (to be suggested by Ar. N. K. Negi) would consider the same and shall submit its report to the EC.

Further, the views/ response received from Registrar, Council of Architecture on the Report of Administrative Reforms Committee would be considered by a Sub-Committee comprising of Ar. Kapil Setia, Convenor, Ar. N. K. Negi, Member, and Ar. Raneer Vedamuthu, Member.

The Committee while considering the Item No.4 of the Minutes of 211th Meeting decided that the proforma approved for Scrutiny of the applications received for Extension of Approval be annexed with the Minutes of 211th meeting for future records. The Committee was also informed that 368 proposals have been submitted to Scrutiny Committee for making its recommendations to the EC for its further consideration.

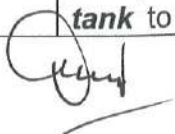
ITEM
NO.3

**TO DISCUSS THE ISSUE AS TO INCREASING COUNCIL'S PRESENCE/
OUTREACH THROUGH EVENTS, SOCIAL, PRINT & DIGITAL MEDIA IN
THE SOCIETY.**

The Chairman informed the members that the Indian Parliament enacted the Architects Act, 1972 and set up Council of Architecture to regulate standards of architectural education and profession in the Country.

In this era of communication technology it is felt that the COA needs to play a more proactive role to strengthen the field of architecture. The social media plays a very important role in education, practice, social awareness and gauging the perception and trends in society for betterment of human habitat.

The Chairman informed the Executive Committee that he has constituted a Sub-committee comprising of Ar. Rakesh Kushwah, Convenor, Ar. Vivek Gupta, Member, Ar. Durganand Balsawar, Member, Ar. Jayashree Deshpande, Member, Ar. Sabrina Khan, Member, Ar. Samruddhi Chaphale, Member, Ar. Apoorva Bose Dutta, Member, Ar. Nakul Dhagat, Member and Ar. Rajesh Advani, Member in order to increase CoA's outreach in the Social Media and to suggest ways and means to use social and interactive medium to engage with the community and create a platform to share and "contribute" for betterment of architectural education and profession and work towards short, medium and long term goals. The Sub-Committee shall **act as think tank** to help the Council to generate a powerful, influential and resourceful



platform for COA's media endeavours with the following terms of reference:

- i. Suggesting ways and means to enhance the communication and interaction between COA and the architectural fraternity through written, audio or visual mediums.
- ii. To work to establish an **active dialogue** with different stakeholders in the profession and academia of Architecture.
- iii. To prepare ideological and conceptual basis of the content for social media to make in alignment with the COA and its goals and that all concerned parties are well informed.
- iv. To develop content for generating nuanced understanding of current affairs in architects, etc.

The Chairman invited the attention of the Members towards the draft proposals for Media Initiative and Social Networking for enhancing presence of the Council as attached at Appendix-B and C of the Agenda. He also informed that Ar. Rakesh Kushwah, Member, would be presenting his vision and thoughts in the meeting.

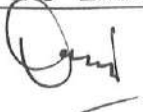
Thereafter, Ar. Rakesh Kushwah, Member, also joined the meeting and shared his vision and thoughts with the EC for activities to be taken up by the Council on social networking websites' namely - Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and other websites that engages with a mass audience through written, audio or visual mediums like Apple podcasts and YouTube.

He also suggested four pronged strategy, namely, **COAweb**, **COAprint**, **COAoutreach** and **COASocial** for Council's media Initiatives to generate a cohesive and sustained community outreach programme and to promote, engage and create awareness within architects, decision makers and public on the important role architecture plays in shaping human habitat and sustainable built environment.

The Executive Committee held threadbare discussions in the matter and appreciated the views and suggestions put forth for enhancing the presence of Council and to keep aware of the decisions and initiatives being taken by the Council from time to time.

The Executive Committee approved for the constitution of the Sub-Committee by the Chairman. The Executive Committee requested Ar. Kushwah to revise his concept paper/ proposal with more details in the line with the discussions held and also to indicate the financial implications and the manpower and other resources required so as to make it viable and perpetual initiative/ project of the Council. Ar. Kushwah sought a week's time to submit his revised proposal.

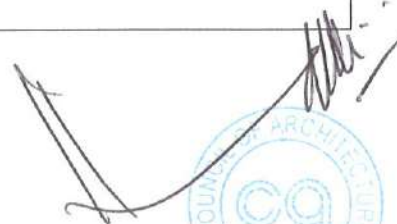
The Executive Committee observed that the Council has to follow the



	<p>Guidelines laid down by the Government of India for Social Media and other platforms.</p> <p>The Executive Committee thanked Ar. Kushwah for sparing his valuable time with the Committee and making sincere efforts for enhancing the presence of Council on social media and other platforms.</p>
ITEM NO.4	TO DISCUSS THE LEGAL OPINION ON SETTING UP OF COUNCIL'S TRAINING & RESEARCH CENTRES AS INDEPENDENT ENTITIES.
	The Committee decided to defer this matter to the next meeting.
ITEM NO.5	TO DISCUSS THE LEGAL OPINION ON INSTITUTION OF NATIONAL AWARDS FOR IN EXCELLENCE IN ARCHITECTURE.
	The Committee decided to defer this matter to the next meeting.
ITEM NO.6	ANY OTHER ITEM WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR.
	No other item was discussed.
The meeting ended at 7.20 p.m. with a vote of thanks to the Chair.	



R. K. OBEROI
REGISTRAR - SECRETARY





AR. HABEEB KHAN
CHAIRMAN
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE