

MINUTES OF THE 261st MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTURE, HELD ON SATURDAY, 13th JULY, 2024 FROM 11.00 A.M. ONWARDS ON ZOOM APPLICATION.

PRESENT :

1. Prof. Abhay V. Purohit, Chairman – in Chair
2. Ar.Gajanand Ram, Vice-Chairman
3. Ar.Punit Sethi, Member
4. Ar.P. Vaitianadin, Member
5. Ar.Lalichan Zacharias, Member
6. Ar. R. Ramesh Kumar, Member

IN ATTENDANCE:

Shri R. K. Oberoi, Registrar-Secretary
Shri Deepak Kumar Singh, Administrative Officer

The Chairman welcomed the members and officials of the Council and thanked them for sparing their valuable time for the meeting. Thereafter regular agenda of the meeting was taken up.

ITEM NO.01	TO TAKE NOTE OF THE ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE 259TH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
	The Executive Committee perused the action taken report as annexed with the Agenda and noted the same after detailed deliberations.
ITEM NO.02	CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 260TH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD ON FRIDAY, 14th JUNE, 2024.
	The Minutes of 260 th Meeting of Executive Committee were circulated to the Hon'ble Members on 08.07.2024, for their views/ comments. No comments were received. The members after deliberations confirmed the minutes of the 260th meeting of Executive Committee.
ITEM NO.03	TO TAKE NOTE OF THE ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE 260TH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
	The Executive Committee perused the action taken report of the 260 th Meeting as annexed with the agenda and noted the same after detailed deliberations. Ar. Punit Sethi, Member during the discussion on the action taken report recommended that appropriate steps may be initiated by the Council to appoint Director, CoA-TRC, Pune on contractual/ regular basis after issuing advertisement. The Executive Committee decided that the advertisement for the post may be issued in near future.

ITEM NO.04	TO CONSIDER THE INSPECTION REPORTS OF THE INSTITUTIONS APPLYING FOR EXTENSION OF APPROVAL FOR B.ARCH./ M.ARCH. DEGREE COURSE FOR THE ACADEMIC SESSION 2024-2025.
	<p>The Executive Committee considered the applications/ proposals received from the Architectural Institutions along with Assessment reports and report of Scrutiny Committee for Extension of approval in B. Arch./ M.Arch degree course for the academic year 2024-25.</p> <p>The decision of the Executive Committee for Extension of approval of B.Arch and M.Arch. Course/ Introduction of M.Arch. course is enclosed herewith as Appendix-A.</p> <p>The Executive Committee directed that its decision be informed to the concerned Institutions.</p>
ITEM NO.05	TO CONSIDER THE INSPECTION REPORTS OF THE INSTITUTIONS APPLYING FOR INTRODUCTION OF 5-YEAR B.ARCH. DEGREE COURSE FROM THE ACADEMIC SESSION 2024-2025.
	<p>The Executive Committee considered the applications/proposals received from the new institutions applied for introduction of 5-year B.Arch Degree Course from the academic session 2024-2025 along with Assessment reports and report of Scrutiny Committee.</p> <p>The decision of Executive Committee in respect of the new proposed institution(s) applied for introduction of 5-year B.Arch Degree Course is enclosed herewith as Appendix-B.</p> <p>The Executive Committee directed that its decision be informed to the concerned Institutions.</p>
ITEM NO.06	TO CONSIDER THE REPLY RECEIVED FROM TN22-EXCEL COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE AND PLANNING, NAMAKKAL, TAMIL NADU IN RESPONSE TO SHOW CAUSE NOTICE FOR EXTENSION OF APPROVAL FOR B.ARCH. AND M.ARCH. DEGREE PROGRAMME FOR THE ACADEMIC SESSION 2024-2025.
	<p>The Executive Committee perused the Application form, Assessment Report and the Response submitted by the Institution in response to show cause notice issued by the Council for withholding intake in the B.Arch. & M.Arch. course due to non-adherence of Minimum Standards of Architectural Education prescribed by the Council.</p> <p>After detailed deliberation in the matter, the Executive Committee decided to grant extension of approval for the B.Arch. Programme with a reduced intake of 30 students and for the M.Arch. programme with an intake of 20 students, for a period of one year.</p>
ITEM NO.07	TO CONSIDER THE REPLY RECEIVED FROM INSTITUTIONS FOR SEEKING CLARIFICATION FOR EXTENSION OF APPROVAL FOR B.ARCH./M.ARCH. /INTRODUCTION OF M.ARCH. DEGREE FOR THE ACADEMIC SESSION 2024-2025.

	<p>The Executive Committee considered the replies/ clarifications received from the Institutions for extension of approval for B.Arch./ M.Arch. or Intro of M.Arch Degree for the academic Session 2024-2025.</p> <p>The decision of Executive Committee in respect of the said institutions for extension of approval for B.Arch/ M.Arch. or for Introduction of M.Arch. Degree is enclosed herewith as Appendix-C.</p>
ITEM NO.08	TO CONSIDER THE APPEAL RECEIVED FROM PJ05-COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE, I.E.T. BHADDAL, ROPAR, PUNJAB FOR INTRO. OF M.ARCH. DEGREE PROGRAMME FFROM THE ACADEMIC SESSION 2024-2025.
	<p>The Executive Committee perused the Appeal submitted by PJ05 - College of Architecture, I.E.T Bhattal, Ropar, Punjab for Intro of M.Arch Degree Programme for the academic session 2024-2025 along with document/evidences</p> <p>After detailed deliberations, the Executive Committee decided to accept the appeal of the institution and granted approval for introduction of M.Arch. degree course with an intake of 20 from the academic year 2024-25.</p> <p>The Executive Committee also decided that from henceforth, applications of only those institutions for introduction of M.Arch. degree programme be accepted and considered for approval, which have been imparting B.Arch. degree programme for at least 5 years and also able to fill up at least 50% seats in last three academic sessions.</p>
ITEM NO.09	TO CONSIDER THE REPORT ON MERGER OF INSTITUTION FROM TN23-RANGANATHAN ARCHITECTURE COLLEGE, COIMBATORE, TAMIL NADU TO SRI SAI RANGANATHAN ENGINEERING COLLEGE, COIMBATORE, TAMIL NADU FROM THE ACADEMIC SESSION 2024-2025.
	<p>The Executive Committee considered the application from TN23- Ranganathan Architecture College, REC Kalvi Nagar, Viraliyur Post, Thondamuthur (Via), Coimbatore-641109, Tamil Nadu, Email: raccbe2010@gmail.com, Mobile: 9500422421, 8056137987, for its merger with another institution under the same Trust Ranganathan Rajeswari Charitable Trust, Coimbatore namely Sri Sai Ranganathan Engineering College, Thondamuthur, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu. TN23-Ranganathan Architecture College is presently affiliated to Anna University, Chennai, for imparting Architecture course from the academic session 2024-2025.</p> <p>The Executive Committee also perused the Report on Merger of institution of the Inspection Committee along with scrutiny report. The Committee, upon perusal of the same and based on the recommendations of the Inspection Committee, decided to grant NOC for merger of the institution from TN23-Ranganathan Architecture College, REC Kalvi Nagar, Viraliyur Post, Thondamuthur(Via), Coimbatore-641109, Tamil Nadu to Department of Architecture, Sri Sai Ranganathan Engineering College, Thondamuthur, Coimbatore-641109, Tamil Nadu, for imparting 5-year B.Arch. degree course from the academic session 2024-2025, subject to creation of necessary infrastructure and facilities and obtaining necessary statutory approvals and permissions from the competent authorities.</p>

ITEM NO.10	TO CONSIDER THE COMPREHENSIVE ACADEMIC REVIEW (CAR) COMMITTEE REPORT OF AP24-SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE, DR.YSR ARCHITECTURE AND FINE ARTS UNIVERSITY, KADAPA, ANDHRA PRADESH.
	<p>The Executive Committee perused the comprehensive academic review (CAR) Committee report of AP24-School of Architecture, Dr.YSR Architecture and Fine Arts University, Kadapa, Andhra Pradesh and observed serious deficiencies related to physical & academic infrastructure facilities in the conduct of said course at your institution.</p> <p>After detailed deliberations and on perusal of documents, the Executive Committee decided to issue show cause as to why the extension of approval granted by the Council to the institution for the session 2024-2025 be not withdrawn for non-maintenance of Council of Architecture (Minimum Standards of Architecture Education) Regulations, 2020 as prescribed by the Council and the regularization of students admitted in the past without approval of the Council, be rejected.</p>
ITEM NO.11	TO CONSIDER REPORT OF ONE MEMBER COMMITTEE SUB-COMMITTEE TO REVIEW REQUEST OF MH95- MIT ART, DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY UNIVERSITY PUNE'S SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE, PUNE, FOR LATERAL ADMISSION OF ONE CANDIDATE MR. KRISHNA RAJEEV RAJALE TO THE B. ARCH. PROGRAM
	<p>The Executive Committee reviewed the report of the one-member sub-committee regarding the request from MH95-MIT Art, Design and Technology University Pune's School of Architecture, Pune for the lateral admission of Mr. Krishna Rajeev Rajale to the B.Arch program.</p> <p>The Executive Committee also noted that an Equivalence Committee was formed at university level to review Mr. Rajale's academic work and his 12th grade qualifications (with Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics). After a thorough review, the University committee had concluded that he can be admitted to the third year.</p> <p>The Executive Committee, after consideration of the same, decided to grant lateral admission of Mr. Krishna Rajeev Rajale into 3rd year of the B.Arch. degree course at your institution based on the report of one Member Committee Sub-Committee, subject to fulfilment of other eligibility criteria prescribed by the Council.</p> <p>The Executive Committee also decided that the lateral admission of the candidate shall be subject to vacant seats available with institution and must be admitted against a vacant seat available with the institution in the 3rd year B.Arch. batch. The candidate is also required to qualify NATA 2024 before his lateral admission at the institution. This case shall not form any precedence to lateral admission of any other candidates for future.</p> <p>After granting lateral admission, enrolment number of the candidate should be applied by MH95-MIT Art, Design and Technology University, Pune's School of Architecture, Pune in the appropriate year of the B.Arch. programme.</p>

ITEM NO.12	TO CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FROM TS09, AURORA'S DESIGN ACADEMY, HYDERABAD & TS10, AURORA'S DESIGN INSTITUTE, HYDERABAD FOR GRANT OF EXTENSION OF APPROVAL FOR M.ARCH. PROGRAMME AND INTRODUCTION OF DIPLOMA PROGRAMMES FOR THE ACADEMIC SESSION 2024-25.
	<p>The Registrar-Secretary informed that as decided by the Executive Committee, requisite information sought from the Institutions to TS09, Aurora's Design Academy, Hyderabad and TS10, Aurora's Design Institute, Hyderabad, was sent to Ar. Punit Sethi, Member Executive Committee for making appropriate recommendation in the matter.</p> <p>Based on the clarifications received and recommendations, the Council has granted extension of approval to TS09, Aurora's Design Academy, Hyderabad and TS10, Aurora's Design Institute, Hyderabad for imparting B.Arch. degree course for the academic session 2024-2025, subject to rectification of deficiencies pointed by the Council and submission of compliance.</p> <p>The Executive Committee noted that both the institutions have also applied for extension of approval for M.Arch. programme and introduction of diploma programmes for the academic session 2024-2025.</p> <p>The Executive Committee, after detailed deliberations, decided to grant extension of approval to both institutions – TS09-Aurora's Design Academy, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad and TS10-Aurora's Design Institute, Habsiguda, Hyderabad, for imparting Master of Architecture (Interior Design) and Master of Architecture (Urban Design) with an intake of 20 each for the academic session 2024-2025 but decided to reject their applications for Introduction of Diploma in Architecture and Introduction of Diploma in Interior Design as certain compliances to be made by the institution and its verification are still pending.</p>
ITEM NO.13	TO CONSIDER THE REPORT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR OF COUNCIL FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-2024.
	<p>The Executive Committee considered the report of the Internal Auditor of the Council for the financial year 2023-24 and approved the same. The Executive Committee decided that the same may be placed before full Council.</p>
ITEM NO.14	TO CONSIDER THE ANNUAL REPORT AND AUDITED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS OF COUNCIL FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-2024.
	<p>The Executive Committee considered the Annual Report and Audited Statement of Accounts of Council for the financial year 2023-24 and approved the same. The Executive Committee decided that the same may be placed before full Council.</p>
ITEM NO.15	PROMOTION OF OFFICERS OF THE COUNCIL PENDING APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS IN COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTURE EMPLOYEE'S RECRUITMENT AND PROMOTION REGULATIONS, 2000.
	<p>The Executive Committee observed that as per the recommendations of the DPC, the following Officers and Employees were granted promotion on adhoc basis for a period of six months:</p>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Shri Deepak Kumar, Administrative Officer, as Deputy Registrar. 2. Shri Deepak Kumar Singh, Asst. Administrative Officer, as Administrative Officer 3. Shri Lalit P. Kala, Superintendent, as Asst. Administrative Officer <p>Further, Mrs. Harpreet Kaur, Stenographer was promoted as Senior Stenographer on regular basis as post of Senior Stenographer is already approved in the existing Regulations.</p> <p>The Executive Committee noted and approved the promotions of the above officers & employees and extended best wishes to them.</p>
ITEM NO.16	ANY OTHER ITEM WITH PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR.
	No other item was discussed

The meeting ended at 2:10 p.m. with a vote of thanks to the Chair.
