

National Conclave
The Future of Architecture Education in India
Post NEP2020

2nd – 3rd June 2023

India Habitat Centre, New Delhi

ABOUT THE CONCLAVE

In order to offer high-quality education for all, the National Education Policy 2020 anticipates a major reform and re-energizing of the higher education system. It is idealized that education must foster not just cognitive abilities—such as critical thinking and problem-solving—but also social, ethical, and emotional aptitudes.

In January 2023, the Council of Architecture (CoA) circulated the draft education reforms prepared in the light of NEP 2020. This conference aims at providing a shared platform to the leadership from Architecture Industry and Academia, to deliberate over the proposed education reforms and its impact. There is a strong need to initiate a dialogue on the pros and cons, and strategize the implementation of the CoA's interim report on Architectural Education in the light of NEP 2020.

In addition to the guideline that CoA has circulated, each institution has its own ideology that needs to align with these guidelines. Hence, through this conclave, Deans from various institutions will come on a common platform to deliberate on industry prospects, employability, architectural pedagogy, education facilitators and takers of architectural education. The conclave aims to conclude with a white paper that identifies implementable actions referred from NEP, COA and UGC guidelines to pave the way forward from 2024 onwards in architecture education.

CONCLAVE THEMES

The Conclave shall oversee the deliberations over two days, which would cover the main points of the profession from both education as well as employability perspective.

Theme 1- Architecture Jobs; Prospects & Opportunities.

How do we enable students to thrive in the architecture profession and its allied fields? The focus is on creating a robust architecture education system that prepares students to have acumen, the necessary skills, and be responsible towards the profession. The theme seeks to highlight the importance of interdisciplinary education, practical learning, and the use of technology in architecture education enabling students to face the challenges of the modern world.

Theme 2- Architectural Education; Curriculum framework in the new regime of NEP 2020

The theme discusses the new perspectives of the National Education Policy 2020 relevant to Architecture Education and to match global standards. It further envisions the roadmap towards a holistic education, bridging the gaps in curriculum and attainment of futuristic sustainable learning outcomes. This calls for deliberation on the regulatory reforms, issues of faculty upgradation and provision for student flexibility in the learning environment.

Theme 3- Admission Dilemma; Qualitative & Quantitative approach

Who are the students - A reflection of the changing demands of the job market and the evolving nature of the design industry? Are students with creative inclination forgoing architecture education? During CoVID & post CoVID era institutions witnessed the decline in application as well as interest in the field. Will NEP's and COA's approach towards architectural education uplift the dwindling admissions?

Annexure A:

1. SCHEDULE /SESSION DETAILS - Day 1

Time	Programme	
9:30 - 10:00	Registration	
Moderator		
10:00 - 11:00	Inaugural Session	
10:00 - 10:10	Felicitation and Welcome Address	Dr. Navin Piplani Director, Creative Cluster Sushant University
10:10 - 10:20	Inaugural Address	Dr. Rakesh Ranjan Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Sushant University
10:20 - 10:35	Education reforms proposed by Council of Architecture	Mr. Habeeb Khan, Council of Architecture President*
10:35 - 10:50	National Education Policy 2020	Prof. Mamidala Jagadesh Kumar University Grants Commission Chairman*
10:50 - 11:00	Youth prospects and Education	Secretary Ministry of Education
11:00 - 11:10	Patron's Address	Dr. Jai Shankar Mishra, IAS (Retd.) Hon'ble Chancellor Sushant University
11:10 - 11:15	Vote of Thanks	Prof. (Col.) Virendra Kumar Malik Dean Sushant School of Art and Architecture
11:15 - 11:30	Tea Break	

11:30 - 13:00	Session 1 - Architectural Jobs: Prospects and Opportunities
	Panel of invited Deans and Industry Experts*
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 15:30	Session 2 : Architectural Education: Curriculum framework in the new regime of NEP 2020
	Panel of invited Deans and Industry Experts*
15:30 - 16:00	High Tea
16:00 - 16:30	Summary and Conclusion of Day 1

2. SCHEDULE /SESSION DETAILS - Day 2

Time	Programme
9:30 - 10:00	Registration
Moderator	,
10:00 - 11:30	Session 3 : Admission Dilemma; Qualitative & Quantitative approach
	Panel of invited Deans and Industry Experts*
11:30 - 12:00	Tea
12:00 - 12:30	Summary and Conclusion of Day 2
12:30 - 2:00	Lunch

2:00 – 3:00 **Final Session on the future of architecture education in India, and adoption of the white paper**

3:00 **End**