COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTURE  
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NATIONAL AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN ARCHITECTURAL THESIS 2019  
&  
JK AYA BEST ARCHITECTURE STUDENT OF THE YEAR AWARD 2019

GENERAL RULES

INVITATION

1.1 The Council of Architecture (Promoter), with a view to encourage and motivate the students of Graduate Courses in Architecture has instituted a National Awards for Excellence in Architectural Thesis, submitted in compliance to the requirements of the Bachelor’s degree program in Architecture and invites students to participate in this prestigious competition by submitting their thesis projects in accordance with the conditions and instructions set out below.

JK Cement Ltd. has come forward to collaborate with COA and promote the JK AYA Best Architecture Student of the Year Award to be jointly conducted with the COA National Awards program for excellence in Architectural Thesis.

The joint awards program is promoted with an objective to encourage talent of students from across the country.

ELIGIBILITY

1.2 The term 'Student' shall mean a bonafide student of a College of Architecture, who has appeared for Final year B. Arch. Examination at conclusion of academic year.

1.3 Each thesis project must be submitted by the head of the institute/ principal of the college, with consent from the student. Each college/school of architecture approved by the Council of Architecture may send a maximum of two entries per sanctioned intake of 40 or part thereof for the batch appearing for the Final Year B. Arch. examination at the conclusion of the academic year 2018-19.

APPROVAL OF CONDITIONS

1.4 This awards program will be conducted in accordance with the guidelines of the Council of Architecture, which also apply in case of points which have not been specifically covered by these conditions.

1.5 A copy of the awards guidelines have been filed with the Council of Architecture.

PERSONS INELIGIBLE

1.6 No blood relative of any member of the Board of Assessors shall take part either directly or indirectly in the awards program nor be entrusted either directly or indirectly with work connected with the award winning thesis. No member of the promoting body or an associate or
an employee or any member concerned with the preparation or organizing of the competition shall be eligible to assist a student participating in the program.

ENTERING IN THE AWARDS PROGRAM

1.7 The conditions for participation and registration forms are available from the respective colleges of architecture and are also available for download on the website www.coa.gov.in. The complete set of registration forms (Registration Form and Declaration Forms A,B,C) duly filled in and completed in all respects should be sent, in original, together with the DVD (as given in 1.35b), to Director, COA-TRC, Pune, through Principal / HOD, by registered speed post or forwarding agent to reach the address below not later than 5.00 pm on 31st July, 2019, Wednesday. No registration fee is charged.

Director,
Council of Architecture Training & Research Centre (COA-TRC),
2nd Floor, A-4(B), Abhimanshree, Off. Pashan Road, Pune - 411 008.
Tel: 0 9764-000-352
Email: directorcoatrc@gmail.com

The scanned images of the complete set of registration forms (Registration Form and Declaration Forms A,B,C) duly filled in and completed in all respects should be sent to Director, COA-TRC, Pune, through Principal / HOD, by e-mail to coaugta2019@gmail.com not later than 5.00 pm on 29th July, 2019, Monday.

Each thesis project received as an entry for the awards programme shall be allocated a code number by the Promoter and the author shall be duly informed of the same via e-mail not later than 5.00 pm on 07th August, 2019, Wednesday.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

1.8 The members for Zonal Jury shall be appointed on the Board of Assessors to advise on the conduct of the awards program, adjudicate on the thesis projects submitted and make the award. The appointments shall be made by the promoter from amongst the eminent architects. Of the three members for the national jury, two members shall be appointed by the promoter and one member shall be appointed by JK Cement Ltd. from amongst eminent architects.

ADVISERS

1.9 If necessary, the Board of Assessors may consult the promoter of the awards program. The promoter may be consulted on any aspect of the competition. The promoter and his representative/s may remain available during the judging to give advice on various aspects of the awards program when invited to do so.

PRIZES AND MENTIONS

1.10 The promoter undertakes to accept the decisions and the awards of the Board of Assessors and pay the following awards:

At each Zonal Event:
1. To the author of the **best Two** thesis projects - **Rs 10,000/-** + **Book + Certificate** each
2. To the author of the **next Eight** thesis projects - **Rs 5,000/-** + **Book + Certificate** each
At the National Event:
1. To the author of the **best Three** thesis projects - Rs. 75,000.00/- + Certificate each
2. To the author of the **next Seven** thesis projects - Rs. 20,000.00/- + Certificate each
   (Selected to the National Jury)
   The awards mentioned above shall have two components – Cash & Books for all winners and
   Crossword Voucher only for best three.
3. To the author of the thesis project selected for JK AYA Best Architecture Student of the Year
   Award- Rs. 25,000/-, Trophy and citation.

SUBMISSION OF THESIS PROJECTS
1.11 Submission of the thesis projects implies acceptance of the awards program conditions. 
   Participants are advised to retain copies of the material submitted.

1.12 All drawing panels comprising an awards program entry **must bear on the backside of the panel** 
   a sticker (bearing only the code number of the entry) provided by the promoter. No other 
   symbol, motto or distinguishing mark will be placed on any part of the panel except the title of 
   the project. The entire design project of each participant shall be dispatched in a single packet 
   using the label.

1.13 Each competitor must be prepared to satisfy the Board of Assessors that he is the bonafide 
   author of the thesis project he has submitted.

1.14 Submission of drawing panels, bearing the allotted code numbers on the reverse side, delivered 
   by hand **should reach the respective Zonal co-ordinator** at his address on the website 
   [www.coa.gov.in](http://www.coa.gov.in), not later than **5.00 pm on 16th August 2019, Friday**. Receipt with date and 
   time of delivery will be issued by the respective zonal co-ordinator to the participants.

1.15 Submission of drawing panels if sent by post or through forwarding agent to the Zonal co- 
   ordinator must be dispatched not later than **3.00 pm on 09th August 2019, Friday**. Proof of 
   dispatch clearly showing the date of dispatch shall be forwarded to the respective zonal co-ordinator 
   separately with a covering letter informing him of the dispatch of the thesis project.

1.16 Submission of drawing panels sent through post or through forwarding agent must reach the 
   respective **Zonal Coordinator** at his address given on the website [www.coa.gov.in](http://www.coa.gov.in), not later 
   than **5.00 pm on 16th August 2019, Friday**.

1.17 All drawing panels should be packed together in a plain brown paper and sealed and bear the 
   title - **COA NATIONAL AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN ARCHITECTURAL THESIS 2019**. This packet 
   will not contain any other material. If the packet has to travel a long distance, it may be 
   dispatched in a wooden crate.

INSURANCE OF THESIS PROJECT
1.18 Each participant is responsible for insuring his entry against loss, damage or non-delivery up to 
   the time of its receipt by the respective zonal co-ordinators at the address given on the website 
   [www.coa.gov.in](http://www.coa.gov.in)
1.19 On receipt by the co-ordinator, each entry may be insured by him (the promoter) for the sum of Rs. 2,500.00 till is returned to the competitor after the award.

JUDGING PROCEDURE
1.20 The promoter will place a secretariat at the disposal of the Board of Assessors to minute their meetings and record their decisions.

1.21 The deliberations of the Board of Assessors will be secret. No member of the Board or Technical Adviser or member of the promoter's staff or competition secretariat may disclose any details of the competitions, deliberations or decisions.

The decisions of the Board of Assessors are final and binding on the promoter.

1.22 The judging of the entries are scheduled to take place in three stages as listed below –

Stage 1A (Shortlisting)
A team of three assessors will visit the zonal center a day prior to the date of Public Jury and short list ten thesis projects for stage 1B assessment. This will be a closed door assessment and the list shall be handed over in a sealed envelope to the representative of the Promoter. The code numbers of the selected thesis projects will be announced and communicated to the participants by a draw of lots, before each assessment at Stage 1B commences as per the procedure stated below.

The board of assessors may at its discretion select two entries as standby, (to be listed in order of merit), in addition to the shortlisted ten, code numbers of whom will be listed and kept in a separate sealed envelope. This envelope may be opened only if authors of any of the ten shortlisted entries are not present at the venue, and only after presentations of other shortlisted participants are complete.

Stage 1B (Zonal Jury)
Authors of the ten short listed thesis projects shall make a audio visual presentation to members of Jury (Assessors) in a public jury attended by eminent citizen, public and students, held in a public auditorium, on the given date. The participants must remain present in person to make the presentation.

The promoter or his representative will open the envelope containing code numbers of the shortlisted projects 30 minutes before commencement of first presentation and by draw of lots, the sequence of first presentation will be decided and announced. At the beginning of the first presentation, code number of the second presenter will be announced. At the end of first presentation code number of the third presenter will be announced, and at the end of the second presentation code number of fourth presenter will be announced and so on. Each participating student will be given a minimum of 20 minutes & maximum of 30 minutes for the entire Jury. It will consist of maximum of 15 minutes for the presentation on screen using projector only & 15-20 minutes for the question-answers.

Two thesis projects from each zonal jury will be selected for National Jury. These awards will be declared in the evening after completing all presentations.
Stage 2 (National Jury)
Authors of the ten selected thesis projects (two from each zone) shall make an audio visual presentation to members of Jury (Assessors) in a public jury attended by eminent citizen, public and students, held in a public auditorium, on the date of the Final Jury. The participants must remain present in person to make the presentation. The sequence of presentation at the National Jury will be announced in a manner similar to that of the Zonal Jury. Each participating student will be given a minimum of 20 minutes & maximum of 30 minutes for the entire Jury. It will consist of maximum of 15 minutes for the presentation on screen using projector only & 15-20 minutes for the question-answers.

1.23 The promoter will announce the COA National Awards for Excellence in Architectural Thesis and JK AYA Best Architecture Student of the Year Award, on the date of the final Jury in the evening after completion of presentations.

1.24 A copy of the report of the Board of Assessors will be made accessible for inspection to participants at the same time as the Board’s award is made public.

DISQUALIFICATION
1.25 The Board of Assessors may disqualify entries for the following reasons:
   1. If dispatched by post or through the forwarding agent to or delivered in person at the co-ordinator’s address given on the website www.coa.gov.in after the last date and time given in 1.14 ,1.15 and 1.16.
   2. If received by the co-ordinator at the address given on the website www.coa.gov.in by hand, by post or through forwarding agent after the last date and time given in 1.15.
   3. If the participant disregards any of the conditions of the program.
   4. If the participant attempts to influence any member of the Board of Assessors.

TERMINATION OF AWARDS PROGRAM
1.26 If against all expectations entertained by the promoter, the result of the awards program is such that none of the participants could be declared by the Assessors as the winners of the awards, the program could be regarded as terminated and the promoter will on the advice of the Board of Assessors award ONLY the consolation awards to all the thesis projects selected for National Jury.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARD AND EXHIBITION
1.27 The promoter will publish the award of the Board of Assessors and inform the Council of Architecture after having first informed the authors of the award winning thesis projects.

1.28 All designs will be exhibited for three days (Third day being date of stage 1B assessment) at a Public gallery at each Zonal center.
Similarly, thesis projects selected for the National Jury will be exhibited for two days, on the day of and the day prior to the Final Jury at a public gallery at the National center.

1.29 Only code numbers of all authors will be displayed at the exhibition of entries for the Zonal Jury. Names of all authors will be displayed at the exhibition of entries for the Final Jury.
RETURNING OF ENTRIES
1.30 Within one month after closing of the exhibition at Zonal Centers, collection of the unsuccessful entries from the zonal centers will be arranged by the respective colleges/ student authors. After that the promoter will be free to dispose off the balance uncollected entries at will. The entries of 10 National finalists shall be retained by the promoter for records.

RIGHTS
1.31 All DVDs will be retained by the promoter as his property.

1.32 Copyright of all thesis projects including the thesis projects winning the first prize will be that of the authors of the designs, however, the promoter will have the right to publish the projects received, in architecture journals and as compilation of entries received, for the purpose of records and academic interest. JK Cement Ltd. will share the rights to publish the project of the winner of the JK AYA Best Architecture Student of the Year Award.

SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES
1.33 In the event of dispute not related to the judging procedure or the award of the Board of Assessors, the settlement will be by arbitration without recourse to the legal authorities.

AWARDS PROGRAM SCHEDULE:
1.34 The competition will be run in accordance with the following time table:

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<td>Deadline for hard copy of Registration Forms (in original) and DVDs to be received at COA-TRC, Pune</td>
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<td>09th August 2019, 3.00 pm</td>
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Presentation by zonal winners
Declaration of National Awards
Prize distribution

| Declaration of JK AYA Best Architecture Student of The Year Award | Together with declaration of National Awards |
| Prize distribution of JK AYA Best Architecture Student of The Year Award | Specific date shall be communicated to the winner later. |

SUBMISSION FOR AWARDS

1.35 Submission to the promoter at COA-TRC Pune:
To be submitted at the time of registration (for receipt on or before 31st July 2019, 5.00 pm)
Envelope containing Forms as per 1.35a + DVD as per 1.35b

1.35 a. A complete set of registration forms, in original, (Registration Form and Declaration Forms A,B,C) duly filled in and completed in all respects.

1.35 b. DVD (bearing a sticker provided by the promoter) adequately protected for handling and containing:
   1. Scanned copies of the completed registration form and declaration forms A,B,C,
   2. Passport size photograph of the participant,
   3. High resolution PDF files of drawing panels to be submitted.
   4. Minimum four photographs of Models or 3D visualizations. (All the photographs and visualization shall be in jpg format at resolution of 300 DPI.)
   5. Design brief: The participant should give a brief write up of the project in minimum 900 words to maximum 2000 words as a MS word file in Arial 12 points, double spacing in A4 portrait format. In the first section of approx. 300-600 words they should spell out the architectural concern of their project. In the next 300-600 words they may elaborate on the architectural and conceptual strategies to address the concerns stated above for their projects. In the last 300-600 words they may elaborate on the architectural language that they have achieved for their project.
   6. AutoCAD / Photoshop / Corel Draw drawings: Drawings containing all finished plans, site plans, elevations, sections of the project in simple line drawings with line thicknesses (without render) in proper layers and purged files in AutoCAD format.
   7. jpeg/pdf files: 3d views, conceptual drawings, model images, rendered plans, sections, elevations should be in Jpeg images/PDF format.
   8. Power point presentation: A copy of the presentation to be made to the jury at the Zonal Jury and National Final Jury in ppt and pdf format

The submission (as per 1.35a + 1.35b) should be sent at the following address:
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Council of Architecture Training & Research Centre (COA-TRC),
2nd Floor, A-4(B), Abhimanshree, Off. Pashan Road, Pune - 411 008.
Tel: 0 9764-000-352
Email: directorcoatrcl@gmail.com
1.36 Submission to the zonal center on or before 16th August 2019, 5.00 pm: (After receipt of code number from Promoter on confirmation of registration, packet containing drawing panels as per 1.36a)

1.36a Drawings Panels to be submitted by competitors: minimum six but not more than ten in number, A2 size drawing sheets mounted on 1 mm/3 mm thick foam board bearing the allotted code numbers on label stickers (provided by the promoter) on the reverse of the sheet.

NAME ADDRESS AND CONTACT DETAILS

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1.38 ZONES OF PARTICIPATION : Details will be displayed on the website shortly.
ZONAL COORDINATORS : Details will be displayed on the website shortly.

1.39 Any changes in dates or details of zonal and national events will be displayed on the website www.coa.gov.in

1.40 Stickers for drawings
Label stickers (bearing allotted code numbers and to be pasted on the reverse of each sheet) for drawing sheets will be available for download on the website www.coa.gov.in

1.41 Labels for Dispatch

Label for Coded Drawing Panels

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The Coordinator,
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