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PRESIDENT**

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**ADVISORY FOR PRACTICAL TRAINING BY B.ARCH. STUDENTS AND CREATION OF
CRECHE FACILITIES AT INSTITUTIONS**

To

All Architectural Institutions imparting 5-year B.Arch. course in the Country

**Subject: Practical Training by Students of B.Arch. Course for completion of 5-year
B.Arch. Degree Course – Creation of Creche facilities at institutions - reg.**

Dear Colleagues,

The Council has prescribed the Council of Architecture (Minimum Standards of Architectural Education) Regulations, 2020, with the approval of the Central Government in terms of Sections 21 & 45 of the Architects Act, 1972. The Regulations were published in the Gazette of India on 11.08.2020 and came into force w.e.f. 01.11.2020.

These Regulations prescribe that the Practical Training shall be undergone by the students during 8th/ 9th semester of the Architecture Degree course for a period of six months or one semester in the office of an architect.

However, it has come to the notice of the Council that many institutions imparting 5-year B.Arch. degree course in the country are facing some issues while arranging for Practical Training for students during 8th/ 9th semester of the Architecture Degree course due to ongoing pandemic, travel restrictions and lockdowns.

Accordingly, those institutions which are not able to arrange for Practical Training for students during 8th/ 9th semester of the Architecture Degree course, may arrange for Practical Training during 7th semester of the B.Arch. course. If required, the incoming Practical Training may be shifted to the last semester or swapped with other semesters, with approval from the concerned universities.

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The Institutions are also advised to encourage placement of their students in local offices to avoid travel of students and encourage online work, especially in Covid-19 sensitive areas/regions, as may be found feasible.

It has also come to the notice of the council that female faculty in our institutions are facing lot of inconvenience due to the pandemic and subsequent restriction on movements and lockdown. Management of the institutions are forcing the faculty to come to work and they are facing issues to join work due to non-availability of creches or suitable places to leave their wards in safe hands.

I am sure you may all be aware, creche facilities have been closed down in many parts of the country due to pandemic and it has become difficult for the female employees to leave their young ones at homes and come to work place.

I, therefore, urge all institutions to kindly create crèche facility at your premises for the benefit of the female employees as per the Maternity Benefit Act, 1961 so that they are not put to any inconvenience and work without any cognate issues. Alternatively, the children of the female faculty be allowed to come to institution premises. If this is not possible at your end, this is to further request, you to make necessary arrangements to work from home for the concerned faculty and give necessary relaxations.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Habib Khan', with a long horizontal line extending to the left.

HABEEB KHAN