

MINUTES OF THE 215TH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTURE, HELD ON SATURDAY, 30TH MAY, 2020, AT 6.30 P.M., ONLINE THROUGH ZOOM 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 |
| 3. Shri Deepak Kumar Singh | : | Asst. Administrative Officer |

The Chairman thanked the Vice-Chairperson, Members and Officers of the Council for having the Fifth 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 214TH MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 25TH MAY 2020.
	<p>The Chairman informed the Members that the Minutes of the 214th Meeting of the Executive Committee were circulated to the Hon'ble Members on 29th May, 2020. No comments have been received so far on the recording of the Minutes.</p> <p>The Committee perused the Minutes and while discussing Item No.3, Budget Estimates decided that a line be inserted as under :</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“The Dearness Allowances for the Officers and Employees of the Council shall be released strictly as the Orders of the Central government from time to time”.</p> <p>The Committee while discussing Item No.4 i.e. Conduct of NATA 2020 Examination decided that in the last para words “on furnishing proper justification” be inserted after the words “ if required”.</p> <p>With the above modifications the Minutes of the 214th Meeting were approved by the Executive Committee.</p>
ITEM NO.02	ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE MINUTES OF THE 214TH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.
	<p>The Executive Committee perused the action taken report and noted the actions taken on the decisions taken by the Executive Committee.</p>

	<p>The Committee decided that the e-mails received about clash of dates of NATA with other exams be referred to Ar. Ranees Vadamuthu, Convenor, NATA Committee, for examining the same and sending her observations/ recommendations to the EC.</p> <p>The Executive Committee also decided that the last date for submission of views/ suggestions on the Council's proposal for amendments to the Architects Act, 1972, be extended upto 15th June, 2020.</p>
<p>ITEM NO.3</p>	<p>TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FOR GRANT OF EXTENSION OF APPROVAL FOR B.ARCH. COURSE FOR THE ACADEMIC SESSION 2020-2021 AND ONWARDS.</p>
	<p>The Executive Committee deliberated the matter in detail and also perused the legal opinion of Advocate Naveen R. Nath on the applicability of 1983 Regulations while granting extension of approval or otherwise to architectural institutions for imparting B.Arch. Course for the academic session 2020-2021 and onwards.</p> <p>The Executive Committee noted that due to the special circumstances arisen because of the pandemic of Corona Virus in India and world over, the Council has not been able to undertake physical inspections of the institutions due for inspections and therefore decision to grant approval or otherwise will have to be taken based on the self-disclosure i.e. application forms submitted by the Architectural Institutions for the academic session 2020-2021.</p> <p>The Executive Committee decided that the list of institutions which were issued show cause notices last year and/or institutions against which Council has received complaints be placed in one list and rest of institutions be placed in another list and letters of approval be prepared for them by the Council for each category suitably. The institutions may be provided period till October 15, 2020 to appoint adequate cadre-wise Faculty of Architecture in terms of Minimum Standards of Architectural Education, 1983 and submit their respective compliance. Once the lists and letters are prepared, the same may be shared with the Executive Committee so that same can be approved for issuance to institutions.</p> <p>Further, the Committee also decided that an Affidavit be also sought from all Institutions for undertaking to comply with the Minimum Standards of Architectural Education, 1983 prescribed by the Council, before issuance of approval letters.</p> <p>The Committee further decided that surprise inspections would be conducted for institutions which are highly deficient and not serious in imparting architectural education or which have not submitted their compliance to the Council after October 15, 2020.</p> <p>The Executive Committee asked the Registrar, COA, to prepare two types of letters and format of affidavit to be issued to Architectural Institutions.</p>

ITEM NO.6	TO CONSIDER REQUESTS RECEIVED FROM INSTITUTIONS IMPARTING B.ARCH. COURSE FOR CLOSURE OF INSTITUTION FROM ACADEMIC SESSION 2020-2021.											
<p>The Executive Committee perused the requests received from following institutions for closure along with prescribed charges of Rs.5 lakh and decided as under :</p>												
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<p>The Executive Committee considered the request of the Institution and accorded its approval for closure as there are no students admitted in the Institution.</p>												
ITEM NO.07	TO CONSIDER REQUESTS RECEIVED FROM INSTITUTIONS IMPARTING B.ARCH. COURSE FOR ZERO INTAKE IN B.ARCH. COURSE OR FOR NOT APPLYING FOR APPROVAL FOR ACADEMIC SESSION 2020-2021.											
<p>The Chairman informed the members that the Council is in receipt of request from institutions for granting zero intake in B.Arch. course or for not applying for approval during the academic session 2020-2021:</p>												
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		At: Mohu, Post: Chincholi, Tal: Sinnar District Nashik (Maharashtra)	intends to apply for closure from next session.
	3.	MH92 Vidya Pratisthan's Indapur College of Architecture, Vidyanagari, Indapur-Akluj Link Road, Indapur, District-Pune- 413106, Maharashtra	The institution has submitted application of extension of approval and requested for zero intake in B.Arch. course for 2020-2021. It intends to apply for closure of institution for which documents have been sought.
	The Executive Committee considered the requests and status of the above Institutions and decided that the institutions having codes MH68 & MH92 be sanctioned "Zero" intake for the academic session 2020-2021 as per their request and MH45 be requested to submit application for extension in view to have the information related to infrastructure and faculty with the Institution for the existing students.		
ITEM NO.08	TO CONSIDER THE LETTER DATED 08.05.2020 RECEIVED FROM HR-11, GANGA INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTURE & TOWN PLANNING, JHAJJAR, HARYANA W.R.T. SHOW CAUSE NOTICE ISSUED BY THE COUNCIL.		
	The consideration of this item was deferred to next meeting.		
ITEM NO.9	ANY OTHER ITEM WITH PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR.		
	i)	Misrepresentation by Ar. Vijay Garg as Former President, Council of Architecture.	
	<p>The Executive Committee observed that attention of the Members is drawn towards designation used by Ar. Vijay Garg, Member, COA in his social media brochures/ interactions i.e. Former President, Council of Architecture.</p> <p>The Committee noted that Ar. Vijay Garg was never elected and appointed as a President of the Council of Architecture. While Vice-President of the Council, he exercised the duties and functions of the office President consequent upon vacation of the office of the President by Ar. Biswaranjan Nayak.</p> <p>The Executive Committee, therefore, decided a communication be issued to him as well as the concerned institution/organisation which are portraying him as former President of the Council of Architecture in social media and public forums.</p>		
The meeting ended at 9.00 p.m. with a vote of thanks to the Chair.			
