25th anniversary of Mahatma Education Society's Pillai's College of Architecture (PiCA)

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Following PiCA X-hibit, the public exhibition of alumni works held at Urban Haat, CBD Belapur along with Mindscape: The Festival of Ideas, the concluding event of the celebrations was the PiCA Alumni Day held on June 23rd, 2018. X-PiCANs, current students and faculty members of the past & present came together for a day that will be etched in the memory of PiCA. The day was anchored around sports, entertainment and a public function, bringing together the PiCA family in an unprecedented way.

The day started with 'Bapna Run', a long distance running event with a history that goes back to 1992, the foundation year. What started as a classroom challenge involving Vikas Bapna (1992 batch) went on to be a regular event in the calendar of PiCA in the 1990s. This competition was one of the most keenly fought ones in the first decade of the college & a lot of X-PiCANs came back to relive those moments & to compete again. This was followed by volleyball, throwball & football, it brought together the family at PiCA for some keen contests, fun & camaraderie.

Running alongside these events was an exhibition presenting the student works from the week long Alumni Workshops conducted by X-PiCAN for the students of PiCA. A total of 9 workshops were offered as a part of the program covering the domains of Design, Theory, Environment, Communication & Representation. The second leg of PiCA X-hibit was opened to public on the same day. More than 200 alumni members took part in the exercise. The work was classified in to 7 categories: Practice (AECD), Industry (AECD), Business (AECD), Pedagogy & Research, Post-graduate Academic's, Tangents, Allied Design & Arts. X-PiCAN also produced a publication based on the exhibition which was unveiled at the public function by the leadership of Mahatma Education Society.

The first Pradnya Gharat Memorial Award (PGMA) constituted by alumni members of the 1996 batch in memory of Late Pradnya Gharat, their classmate was presented to Gagandeep Jadhav. The award is presented to a graduating student for excellence in Architectural Design through the duration of the course, will be an annual feature. This award carries a citation and a cash prize of INR 25,000.

Members of the alumni committee also spoke about the role of the alumni & the contribution it has made to the institute as well as society, also unveiled plans for the future. This was followed by entertainment by students, faculty and members of the alumni. We closed the day with a party and dinner.

The alumni day was a huge success in terms of organisation, participation, networking & also the bank of lifelong memories it created. We thank Dr. Vasudevan Pillai, and the Mahatma Education Society for their instrumental support to the event, and ongoing commitment to strengthen and advance alumni engagement.





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The first event that was planned was an exhibition of works by PiCA alumni to share their journeys in the years since their graduation. The goal of the exhibition was to celebrate the remarkable works of our alumni, as well as to reconnect with our alumni members, around 900 of them from across the world. It took us over six months to connect with our alumni from each batch, the PiCA student's council, and put our heads together to plan this exhibition. Towards the end of November 2017, X Pican Alumni started collecting information by inviting alumni to fill out an online alumni survey form. The second step was setting up a webpage on the X Pican website to share information about the exhibition, and the exhibition template. Based on the number of exhibition templates downloaded, we were hoping to receive around 60 exhibition panels by the first week January 2018. However, over 200 panels were submitted in all, reflecting the unwavering support and enthusiasm of our alumni.

The panels were first exhibited for three days held from 12th to 14th January 2018, at Urban Haat, Belapur, Navi Mumbai alongside our annual event, Mindscape – the festival of ideas. They were exhibited again at Pillai College of Architecture, New Panvel from 23rd to 30th June 2018.

The world of architecture intermingles with almost every other discipline, and the submissions reflect this. These exhibition panels are windows to the varied successful careers of our alumni in sectors ranging from design & architecture to Indian civil services to acting. This document, is a reprint of the panels submitted for the exhibition. We hope that this will help us reflect on our journey, on where we are today, and inspire our future alumni.

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Workshop I: REDO

Resources: Parvathi Chavan & Yatish Chavan

Biographies:

Parvathi graduated from PiCA in 2004 & completed her Masters in Environmental Architecture from Rachana Sansad's Academy of Architecture in 2015. She is currently a Assistant Professor at Pillai HOC College of Architecture, Rasayani where she teaches Design, ARD & Environmental Studies. In the past she has worked with S + PS Architects & Samira Rathod Design Associates.

Yatish Chavan is a graduate of the the first batch of PiCA. He heads Nascent Ideas, a visual design & VFX practice. His work spans the fields of cinema, advertising, architecture & design.

Introduction: The representation skills required to communicate design and ideas play an important role in architectural. This workshop aims to improve the skills of drawing, model making, 3D modeling & presentations. Students will REDO a design portfolio from their past with improved set of graphic skills and learn the use of software effectively to build a better portfolio. Through a series of discussions, demonstrations and presentations, students will be introduced to fundamentals of graphic skills, use this knowledge for redoing their portfolios. Students can opt for either manual or digital medium for their presentation.

Course Objectives: Understanding the process and pipeline for presentation & representation of architectural designs through drawings, models & walkthroughs.

Course Outcome: Re-worked design portfolio.



Day 1:

Introduction

Selection of portfolios for reworking

Demonstration & discussion

Freehand drawings & conceptual sketches

Preparing plans, elevations and sections required for final presentation

Day 2:

Demonstration & presentations

Presentation on principles of composition and typography

Preparing storyboard and 'look & feel'

Understanding process and pipeline for presentation

Introduction to software and techniques

Working on final presentation

Day 3 & 4:

Working on final presentation



Workshop II: Professional Communication Skills for

Architects

Resource: Sarita Ramamoorthy

Biography: Sarita is a freelance content writer & the founder of **The Orange Box** (www.theorangebox.co.in), for professional writing services. As a professional, she has worked for over twelve years in different capacities with International and Regional Non-Governmental Organisations. She lived in Nepal for over 4 years, where she taught English language skills and business communication skills to students and working adults from all over the world.

Introduction: Effective communication skills, especially writing skills, are not just for careers in journalisms or writing novels. If you have ever struggled to convince someone, you are familiar with the challenge. As an architecture student, you need to communicate your design with your peers, and your professors; as an architect, you will need to communicate with builders, peers, clients, home owners, vendors, etc. Almost every job, including architecture, requires a large amount of communication. Good communication skills can help you come across as more credible, more capable, and more professional.

Course Objectives:

Participants will learn the following:

Explore ideas using words, and sentences.

Identify, analyze and summarize main ideas, and arguments.

Develop professional communication skills for a range of situations.

Express ideas with confidence and clarity, supporting persuasive and logical arguments.

Course Outcome: Reading, writing & presentation skills

Workshop Schedule: To be shared at the workshop



Workshop III: Geometry in Design

Resource: Kiran Keluskar

Biography: Kiran is an alumnus of PiCA. He started his career at S+PS architects where he picked up his love for precision. Thereafter, he worked with Samira Rathod Design Associates, first as a junior architect and then an associate architect until 2006. He started his own practice, 'THE CAST INSITU architects' in March 2003 and also taught at PiCA between 2002 & 2007 and thereafter at many other institutes. His keen and continuous interests are Collaborative Practice and Efforts, Alternative Construction, Education and Research.

Introduction: This workshop will explore at elementary Euclidean geometry and non-Euclidean geometry. This exploration shall be the basis for argument and reasoning for the subject of design in this workshop. The students will be presented with pure researches by eminent scholars in history of geometry, especially research that is oriented to design. They will make assessment of works of architecture in history to contemporary design and record observations on geometry and its implication on design.

Course Objectives: The objective is to sensitize the students towards the subject of geometry and develop a flair for understanding and practicing the subject association with aesthetics in nature, design and architecture.

Course Outcome: Documentary & analytic drawings, Geometric design drawing, self (students) design assessment and geometrical corrections on their design plans, sections and elevations, volumetric and spatial checks and written inferences.



Day 1:

Introduction to Geometry Geometry in Nature, Food and Fashion

Day 2:

Geometry in Sports, Music and Arts Geometry in Graphic design, Product Design and other Design forms

Day 3:

Geometry in Architecture

Day 4:

Refining your own Architecture to the Geometries Higher Geometries, Geometry and Meaning, Conclusion



Workshop IV: Place Making

Resource: Kanishka Suthar

Biography: Kanishka graduated from PiCA in 2007 & completed a Masters in Architectural History & Theory from CEPT University. He is the founder of Impasto Building Workshop based out of Ahmedabad which is currently working on various public projects including the Beneshwar Dham Museum in Rajasthan.

Introduction: There are several ways to gaze architecture and one of the ways is through paintings as a medium to visualize space. Paintings form the background for this workshop to explores the idea of place making.

Course Objectives: The intention of the workshop is the understanding of place making and the role of place making elements. The workshop focuses on the two major layer of architecture education – (a) skill development through model making and, (b) visualize draw and make three-dimensional model from the significant paintings.

Course Outcome: Design interventions based on paintings & the idea of place making.



Day 1:

Brief history of architecture model and exposure to various ways of model making Exploration with 2D plans and 3D Volumes

Day 2:

Visualize and draw the place from the following paintings:

- Birth of Mary by Domenico Ghirlandaio
- Vincent Van Gogh´s Room
- School of Athens by Raphael
- One painting from our native context (to be added)

Discussion on the paintings

Presentation on place making elements, examples from historical buildings

Convert the painting into single line drawing using translucent sheet with black ink pen.

Draw the above mention layers on individual sheet.



Day 3:

Analysis and group discussion on previous day work

Using glass tracing table arrange the elements layer sheets in particular order and discussion on magnitude of each layer.

Make three-dimension model from paintings layers.

<u>Day 4:</u>

Design Intervention

In above mentioned paintings each student generates an appropriate program and produces a small intervention in place.



Workshop V: Industrial Design: From Expression to Form

Resource: Anand Asinkar

Biography: Anand Asinkar graduated from PiCA in 2001. He holds two masters degrees viz; Vehicle Design from RCA London and Industrial Design from IDC, IIT Bombay. Anand has worked with various global OEMs designing cars and products that we see almost every day. He has had a short stint working with Era Architects designing multiplexes across India in 2001-02.

Introduction: This is a workshop focusing on translating expression to 3D forms with an introduction to industrial & automotive design. Mainstream Design education in India focuses on problem solving, sustainability and innovation. However key aspects of design of emotion, form and proportion are seldom the criteria to evaluate good design. This workshop is an opportunity for students to envisage expressions that convert to 3D shapes that form the basis of automotive and industrial design and have a direct relationship with today's Architecture.

Course Objectives: The objective of this workshop is to focus on aspects of design emotion, form and proportion through hands-on exercises and discussions.

Course Outcome: Design prototypes in 2D & 3D



Day 1:

Introduction to Industrial Design
Form Function ideation exercise (based on ex-BMW designer Chris Bangle talk)
Exercise: Assign expression to students
Sketching based on expressions
Homework (carry a product to talk about for day 2 class)

Day 2:

Review homework – round table discussion Review sketches and selection Translate sketches to 3D forms in 1:1 scale Documentary on Industrial Design (1:20 hour duration)

Day 3:

Introduction to Automotive Design Sketches to 3D form continues Documentary on Automotive Design (1 hour duration)

Day 4:

Review 3D models Sketches to 3D form continues Presentation setup Presentation by students to faculty



Workshop VI: Future of the Past: Exploring the Architectural

Heritage of Panvel

Resources: Poorva Risbud & Joydeep Dutta

Biographies:

Poorva Risbud is a Conservation Architect based in Navi Mumbai. She graduated from Pillai College of Architecture in 2014 & completed a Masters in Urban Conservation from Kamla Raheja Vidyanidhi Institue for Architecture and Environmental Studies (KRVIA), Mumbai. At present, she is an Assistant Professor at PHCOA, Rasayani. She is also an amateur ham radio operator and an environment enthusiast.

Dr. Joydeep Dutta (better known as JD) is an architect-urban planner and presently Professor at Pillai HOC College of Architecture, Rasayani. He received his academic degrees from IIT Kharagpur and University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Illinois, USA. He has a rich experience of 27 years that combines a unique mix of academics and industry consulting. He has been in the faculty of prestigious institutions like IIT, Sir JJ College of Architecture & KRVIA and has also held corporate leadership positions in Taj Group of Hotels and Reliance Industries. His present teaching/research interests are architectural design, history, theory, aesthetics, heritage and construction project management.

Introduction: The workshop starts with a heritage walk where students observe and understand the tangible and intangible heritage of the old town of Panvel. They translate the experience into a fun mind-map. An interactive brain storming session follows, where they identify opportunities and threats to formulate innovative strategies for a holistic revitalization of the area.

Course Objectives: Introduction to heritage, documentation & urban design

Course Outcome: Strategies & programs responding to the heritage of Panvel



Day 1:

Introduction to the workshop Heritage walk - Panvel Mind mapping the heritage walk (initial sketches) Mind map pinup

Day 2:

Discussion about the mind maps
Formation of groups and sub zones allocation
Mapping and detailed documentation of the sub zones
Detailed sub zones pinup.

Day 3:

Presentation by each group Brain storming session to identify the issues and opportunities Discussion to formulate strategies and programs Detailing the programs

Day 4:

Translating the study into drawings Preparation for exhibition Exhibition/ Presentation



Workshop VII: The Water Story

Resources: Ajay Nayak, Vikram Pawar & Kimaya Keluskar

Biographies:

Ajay Nayak is an architect, writer and activist involved in environment advocacy and resultant environmental practice. After 12 years as Managing Editor of Indian Architect & Builder magazine he has worked in the areas of a sustainable habitat approach to tsunami reconstructions, urban sprawls, and agro-biodiversity in rural habitats. He has also been visiting faculty at various schools of Architecture in Mumbai. Today he heads Social Studio that offers socially responsive design management and Educated Environments (EdEn) an environmental collaborative addressing the liveability index and initiatives of changing environments.

Kimaya Keluskar holds a Bachelors degree in Architecture from Kamla Raheja Vidhyanidhi Institute for Architecture and Environmental studies (KRVIA), Mumbai, 2006. She was awarded Mumbai University gold medal for her Thesis and KRVIA gold medal for Academic excellence. She attained MSc in Environmental Design and Engineering from Bartlett School for Graduate studies, University College London in 2009. Her MSc thesis is published in Consultation on School Carbon Management plan, UCL Evidence prepared for CIBSE (Standard Institution for Building services and Engineers, 2009. She teaches at KRVIA and is practising as Architect and Environmental/Sustainability consultant for Architectural and Research projects.

Vikram Pawar has an M.Arch degree in Urban Conservation & a Bachelor's degree in Microbiology. He founded STUDIO "Architecture"- an Architecture, Interior & Environment design practice in 2003 along with his wife, Mahima Seth. He is a faculty at KRVIA, Juhu. He has keen interest in Eco- Habitats and their relationship with Urban Centers. In his M.Arch thesis "Draft Action Plan for Integrated Development of Pilgrim Town of Jejuri" he noted the erstwhile state ruler's appreciation and development of water systems and its efficient interweave with the cultural matrix. He also authored a document for CHF International -"Participatory In-situ Slum Rehab- two case studies (in Pune and Nagpur)".



Introduction:

The Water Story: A workshop exploring the life of urban waters.

The Water Environs team has been exploring Mumbai's rivers. There are four rivers that run through this mega polis. Over the last seven years what started as an investigative walk along the Dahisar River became a peoples' movement called River March. Over the last four years it has become a walk of more than a lakh Mumbaikars who believe in turning these backyards into front yards of the city. Today the Water Environs team realises that the "Water Story" is not just about technical harvesting of the resource but dependant on the social and cultural viewpoint of its user. Supported by INHAF Habitat Forum and EdEn (Educated Environments) it is working on developing awareness and advocacy for the case of Urban Rivers and the place of biodiversity in their environments.

"The Water Story" as a workshop aims to take the participants on a macro view of the state of urban water ways and then zoom into location of their immediate neighbourhood, to search for this important resource over which the future wars might explode. The workshop will adopt the guise of urban walks, group discussions and a design charrette to allow the participants a perspective and take away on potential solutions to the water problem through a tectonic lens of an architect / planner without ignoring the reality of the lives in, on and around the rivers.



Day 1:

Orientation: Urban Forgotten Waters Reviewing the Micro and Macro picture of Panvel through memories of its water ecologies over time and transition.

Methodologies of addressing Water: The ways of seeing urban water systems physically, socially, ecologically and technically.

Playing the field: Site and Society Visit: A field visit that visits the context of river line system in the neighbourhood.

Playing the field: Scoping Session/ Studio Reconvene to review the visit and explore the potential of the workshop

Day 2:

Stakeholder Group Discussion inviting a range of stakeholders to the table to create an opportunity perspective for the project - long term and short term goals.

Storyboarding the Narrative Placing people and project context

Opportunities of water outlining the outcomes to be generated

Day 3 & 4:

Outcome Generation 1: Studio Session translating the ideas into discussed outcome as Groups (poster/videos/proposals)

Outcome Generation 2: Complete the project with review



Workshop VIII: Patterns, Processes and Prototypes

Resources: Joel Roy, Amey Mhatre & Amit Kadam

Biographies:

Joel Roy is an alumnus of PiCA, a practicing architect and independent researcher with an MA in Architecture and Critical Spatial practice from Stanelschule Architecture Class (SAC)- Frankfurt, Germany. He co-curated and presented at Stealth Architecture exhibition at the Weltkulturen Museum in Frankfurt. He was part of the curatorial team in charge of the architecture and urban design section of the Kala Ghoda Arts Festival 2015. He has also been associated with Indian Architect and Builder magazine since 2005 in various capacities including head of the editorial team and currently teaches at the Rachana Sansad's Academy of Architecture.

Amey Mhatre is an Architect, Educator and a Maker & an alumnus of PiCA. His design inclinations are inspired by traditional lifestyles and cultural influences. He is often engaged in exploring and adopting new design and making techniques. He has been part of research groups probing on socio-urban spatial strategies and currently coheads a design practice and teaches at Rachana Sansad's Academy of Architecture.

Amit Kadam is an alumnus of PiCA & a practicing architect & project analyst. After completing his Masters in Project management & Information Systems, he started to work in dealing with complex processes which transform a program in to structures. His design inspirations are 'reviving old & discovering new' by adopting traditional materials & advance construction techniques. Currently he is a part of design practice & teaches at Pillai HOC College of Architecture, Rasayani.

'Trope' is an attempt at exploring phenomenal world of Geometry and Rule based thinking process by the means of hands-on making with digital tools of design and



fabrication. Trope conducts academic workshops in design schools across India as a part of this exploration journey.

Introduction: Patterns, Processes and Prototypes is a workshop module that derives from a larger research into integration of geometric patterns, digital processes and modern fabrication technologies. The workshop aims at understanding the underlying geometric principles of simple and complex geometric patterns. Designed for participants with a background in architecture, the workshop touches upon computational design processes and explores the potential of rule based geometries in the third dimension. Through the self-exploratory nature of the workshop, participants are encouraged to create their own rule-sets and deploy those in the creation of unit based geometric constructions. Physical models are used as a means of testing the viability of the rule-sets while extrapolating the same to encompass a variety of basic architectural conditions.

Course Objectives: The workshop strives towards culminating in a built prototype. However, the aim is to generate curiosity in rule-based thinking and engender an awareness of computational design techniques which can later be explored by the participants with a grounding in at least one analogue process that has a direct bearing on digital processes.

Course Outcome: Full scale installations

Workshop Schedule:

Day 1:

Session 1: Exploring rule based geometric patterns. (Sketches)

Session 2: Module exploration (sketches and model)

Presentation by selected participants

Short listing maximum 2 modules to be constructed to actual scale



Day 2:

Session 1: Testing modules with actual materials at actual scale.

Initiating construction with tested modules in teams

Session 2: Constructing installations

Day 3 & 4:

Session 1: Constructing installations

Session 2: Constructing installations



Workshop IX: Out of the 'Box'

Resource: Mangesh Sanzgiri & Kamlesh Gade

Biographies:

Mangesh Sanzgiri is an alumnus of Pillai College of Architecture, graduating in 2011. He is the Principal Architect at Select Inverse Studio, which works in the field of architecture, planning, interiors, acoustics and identity design.

Kamlesh Gade is an alumnus of Sir J J College of Architecture, graduating in 2011. He has worked in the development sector as a communication designer, creating website, UI, magazine layouts, logos and branding identity for numerous national and international projects. Kamlesh had also briefly launched a personal merchandising brand.

Introduction: Brands today are more like people, than companies. They have tastes, personalities, language and an image. Brand designers today, deal more with creating an interesting personality than merely a recognisable brand. Ever tried creating your own?

Course Objectives: The objective of this workshop is to introduce students to the idea of brands & brand design.

Course Outcome: Brand poster & packaging design for a product



Day 1:

Introduction of the product
Students generate a specification for the product, name and tagline.
Discussion
Presentation on branding by the resources

Day 2:

Logo development Identity design Presentation on identity design by the resources Introduction to packaging

Day 3 & 4:

Design studio to work on final packaging and a brand poster Presentation of the work



CONCEPT NOTE

Mindscape – the festival of ideas, is organised by X-PiCAN, the Alumni Association of Pillai College of Architecture (PiCA), New Panvel, Navi Mumbai. The association is registered under the Societies Act of 1860 (Registration No: Maharashtra/575/2011/Raigad).

It is a three-day public event, aimed at bringing together various experiences and ideas on a cross-disciplinary platform that spans beyond art & architecture.

Architecture is a socio-cultural intervention with multiple layers within itself. It draws energy from the various realms of art & craft, science & technology, humanities & social sciences, philosophy & psychology, economics & management and more.

Mindscape intends to build on this cross-disciplinary relationship of architecture with others. The processes undertaken by successful ideas and people rarely manifest themselves in the public. The festival wants to draw attention to and unravel these stimulating processes. **Mindscape** hopes to inspire, connect and learn from new ideas, stories and people on a single creative platform, expanding the focus beyond art, architecture and design.

The festival is held at the amphitheatre at Urban Haat, CBD Belapur, Navi Mumbai making it accessible to the city. **Mindscape** as the new engaging & inspiring platform will give the citizens their own personal space for intellectual exchange. We, at X-PiCAN, aspire to make **Mindscape** an annual event that the city of Navi Mumbai can look forward to.

The event will be structured in the form of talks + presentations, discussions, film screenings & performances. Attendance is open to all & free.



The inaugural edition of Mindscape was organized between February 9th & 11th, 2012 at Urban Haat, Navi Mumbai. The festival opened with a talk by acclaimed artist & co-founder of the Koch Muziris Biennale, Bose Krishnamachari, through which he gave the audience a preview of the first international biennale in Kochi. That was followed by a theatre performance by Naujawan-E-Hind, titled 'Ek Ajnabi Lash'.

The second day featured talks from the domains of Medicine & Mathematics by Dr. Nobhojit Roy & Dilip D'Souza. Dr. Roy spoke about the human body as a work of architecture & Dilip D'Souza spoke about his search for elegance & beauty in numbers. The evening ended with a stirring lecture-performance by acclaimed pianist, Anil Srinivasan titled, 'The Architecture of Music'.

The final day of the first edition featured talks by Gopi Kukde, students of The Riverside School, Ahmedabad, Arjun Ravi & M S Gopal covering the domains of Advertising, Education, Music & Entrepreneurship, Photography respectively. The festival came to an end with the screening of the film, 'Videokaaran' by Jagannathan Krishnan.

MINDSCAPE 2013

The second edition of Mindscape was organized between December 6th & 7th, 2013. The festival opened with a performance by acclaimed percussionist, Shyam Edwankar & was followed by a talk by filmmaker, Shilpa Ranade on the process of reinterpreting the classic Satyajit Ray film, 'Gopi Gae Bagha Bajae' as an animation film. The talk was followed by a preview of the film.

The second day featured a story telling session by Rohit Nair followed by talks from the domains of Visual History, Behavioural Architecture, Biology-Information Technology, Music History by Anusha Yadav, Biju Dominic, Dr. Myshkin Ingawale & Naresh Fernandes. The evening ended with a performance by the artists of New City Limits.

The final day of the second edition featured talks from the domains of Social Engineering, Agriculture- Entrepreneurship, Design by Robin Chaurasiya, Sanvar Oberoi, Prashant Godbole. The festival closed with a performance by musician Shrikant Sreenivasan.



The third edition of Mindscape was organized between December 12th & 14th, 2014. The festival opened with a performance by The Barefeet Project & was followed by a talk by a talk by the acclaimed writer, Jerry Pinto based on his book on the life & times of Helen, the star of yesteryear's Hindi cinema. The last act of the evening was a lecture-demonstration on the classical dance form, Kathak by Aditi Bhagwat.

The second day featured a performance by the acapella band, Aflatunes; followed by talks from the domains of Public Policy, Mental Health, Wildlife & Food by Priya Ravichandran, Reshma Valliappan, Vidya Venkatesh & Dr. Kurush Dalal.

The final day of the third edition featured talks from the domains of Gender Rights by renowned LGBT activist, Laxmi Tripathi & Photography by M S Gopal. The festival closed with the screening of the film, 'The World Before Her' by Nisha Pahuja.

MINDSCAPE 2015

The fourth edition of Mindscape was organized between December 18^h & 20th, 2015. For this edition & the future, Mindscape initiated collaboration with Tekton, the research journal of Architecture, Urban Design & Planning, produced by PiCA for the inaugural talk. The festival opened with the Tekton Talk by architect, Chitra Vishwanath on Ecological Architecture. This was followed by a talk by journalist, Rahul Bhatia on NAINA & the untold story of the development around Navi Mumbai International airport. The evening ended with a Blues performance by The Kush Upadhyay Ensemble.

The second day featured talks from the domains of Sports Climbing, Education-Social Engineering, Financial Literacy & Computer Science-Mathematics by Anushka Kalbag, Farnz Gastler, Vishal Khandelwal & Dr. Jaikumar Radhakrishnan.

The final day of the third edition featured a poetry recital by Mustansir Dalvi, a lecture demonstration by Alka Lajmi & Dr. Smita Mahajan on the classical dance form of Bharatanatyam. The evening concluded with the screening of the film, 'The Rat Race' by Miriam Chandy.



The fifth edition of Mindscape was organized between January 13th & 15th, 2017 at Urban Haat, Navi Mumbai. The festival opened with the Tekton Talk by URBZ titled 'Design Comes as we Build'. It featured performances by Giovanna Joglekar (Ballet) & Sambhaji Bhagat (Protest Music & Poetry).

Besides this, there were talks titled 'The Future of Currency' by the science historian, Rohit Gupta & 'Secrets from a Sports Diary' by the eminent sports journalist, Sharda Ugra. Paromita Vohra, Saurav Jha & Devapriya Roy, Vaibhav Chabra presented their projects Agents of Ishq, The Heat & Dust Project & Maker's Asylum respectively. The festival closed with the screening of Faiza Khan's acclaimed film, Supermen of Malegaon.

MINDSCAPE 2018

The sixth edition of Mindscape: The Festival of Ideas was organized between January 12th & 14th, 2018 at Urban Haat, Navi Mumbai. As in the past, this edition featured talks, performances & screenings that presented the audience with new perspectives on a diverse set of subjects.

The festival opened with the documentary (presented in association with Tekton), Reading Architecture Practice: Mumbai, followed by a discussion with its filmmakers. This edition featured two lecture-performances; one on Lavani as a dance form by Sangeet Bari & Savitri Medathul, accompanied by acclaimed dancers, Shakuntalabai Nagarkar & Akanksha Kadam & one on Theatre by Anuja Ghosalkar. The other highlights of the festival were the performances; a Music & Poetry set by the collective, Zubaan, led by Kavish Seth & a piano recital by students of Anita Elise. The talks featured the domains of Creativity, Photo Journalism, Rural Archives, Food & Public Policy by Kiran Khalap, Ritesh Uttamchandani & Siddharth Adelkar (PARI Network), Saee Koranne Khandekar & Meghnad Sohasrabhojanee respectively. The festival closed with the documentary, Unreserved by Samarth Mahajan & a discussion with its producer.

An exhibition of post-graduate work of the alumni of PiCA, featuring the works of 200+ alumni ran through the festival.



The seventh edition of Mindscape was organized between January 11th & 12th, 2019. The festival opened with the Tekton Talk by the collective 'Doctors for All'. They were represented by Dr. Peehu Pardeshi who delivered a talk titled, 'Design to Death' about the health alarms caused by SRA projects. This was followed by a talk by Dr. Aniket Sule who spoke about his work revolving around science activism. The evening ended with an enthralling performance by The Vindaloos who brought flavours of Goan folk & fun to the festival.

The second day opened with performances by students of music from Plexus Academy & Varun Singh Music Aacademy. This was followed by talks from the domains of Illustration Art, Sociology & Law by Indu Harikumar, Snigdha Poonam & Apar Gupta.

The final day of the seventh edition began with a lecture-performance on Hindustani Classical Music by Dr. Shalini Sinha (vocals), Dr. Sakshi Sharma (violin) & Dr. Priya Tiwari (table). This was followed by a talk on Crime & Punishment by Meenal Baghel, the editor of Mumbai Mirror that was based on her best-selling, book, 'Death in Mumbai'. The festival closed with two films, 'Amdavad Ma Famous' by Hardik Mehta & 'Searching for Sarawati' by Amit Madhesiya & Shirley Abraham.

An exhibition of post-independence architecture in India titled 70:70 – Post Independence Architecture in India was also a part of the festival.



The eighth edition of Mindscape was organized between January 17th & 19th, 2020. The festival opened with the Tekton Talk by the acclaimed artist Sudhir Patwardhan who through his art took us through different ways of relating with the city. The talk was followed by a discussion with Amrita Gupta Singh & the audience. This talk was hosted in collaboration with New City Limits, a collective of artists based in Navi Mumbai. This was followed by the screening of the film, 'Lovely Villa' by Rohan Shivakumar & Avijit Mukul Kishore.

The second day opened with a talk by Siddharth Agarwal that took us through stories from walking across India. This was followed by a recital-performance by acclaimed actor, lyricist, poet & singer, Piyush Mishra. This was followed by a talk by Nikhil Taneja on Youth Culture. The evening ended with a lilting performance by the band, Alif that featured poetry in Urdu, Kashmiri & Sufi music. This performance was organised in collaboration with Music Liberation Union, a collective of musicians & music enthusiasts based out of Navi Mumbai.

The final day of the eighth edition began with a percussion set by the Navi Mumbai Drum C. This was followed by a lecture-performance by Dr. Saheb Khandare & accompanying folk artist on the the folk theatre form of Gondhal from Maharashtra. This was followed by a talk on Fashion & Feminism by Nikaytaa that revolved around the concept of the saree as a fluid & functional dress. The festival came to an end with the screening of the film 'Aunty Sudha Aunty Radha' by Tanuja Chandra.

Besides this, we also hosted workshops in collaboration with The Basalt Foundation for Sports Climbing for children & adults & a sketch walk with Urban Sketchers Navi Mumbai. There were three exhibitions: Treasures of Panvel, Kalyan Smrutigandh & Urban Sketchers Navi Mumbai that was also a part of the festival.



SUMMARY

With the last eight editions, Mindscape has built an audience, within our network & the larger community. We are happy to note that the objective of X-PiCAN to connect with society through this cross-disciplinary festival has found space & acceptance.

Through the years, Mindscape has had certain constants. Classical or folk art form, indie music, documentary cinema & our collaboration with Tekton for talks & screenings on the built environment have been constants. In the last year we have also built collaborations with New City Limits, Music Liberation Union, The Basalt Foundation, Navi Mumbai Drum Circle & Urban Sketchers Navi Mumbai which we hope to continue for the years to come

We look forward to build Mindscape further as a knowledge sharing platform for the city.







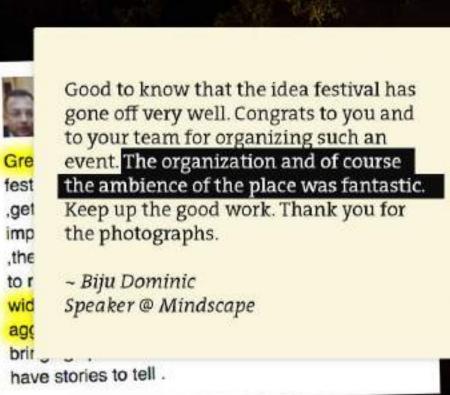




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Thank you so much for inviting me! Your team was fantastic. I'm on my way home for Christmas -- heading to the Delhi airport in an hour. Looking forward to hopefully sending a Yuwa girl to next year's Mindscapel

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WHAT: Mindscape: The Festival of Ideas

WHERE: Urban Haat, Sector 29, CBD Belapur

WHEN: December 12 to 14, 5.30 pm to 10 pm

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The City & Me: Ways of Relating to the City

Sudhir Patwardhan

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Tum Meri Jaan Ho Raziya Bee

Piyush Mishra

A free flowing interactive session with a heady mix of stories pertaining to our lives and the times we live in.



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Stories from Walking Across India

Siddharth Agarwal

For half a decade, Siddharth Agarwal has been walking across India and along Indian rivers, trying to document and bring stories of marginalised people and the environment into the mainstream, A talk full of stories of people and the environment and a discussion on method, from walking across India and along its rivers.

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The Future Of India Is YOUTH **Nikhil Taneja**

In 2020, India will become the largest youth workforce in the world with 50% of its population under the age of 25. These are not the millennials but a new generation, the Gen Z, who have all grown up on mobile phones and the Internet. They have far more awareness, understanding, and access to the world than previous generations. This is the generation that will change India. Our future is Gen ZI

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Alif

Mohammad Muneem - Poetry / Lead Vocals Hardik Vaghela - Keyboards Karan Chitra Deshmukh - Drums

Formed in 2008, Alif, winner of the IRRA Best Music Production award for "like a Sufi", stirs and stills the soul. And ultimately, sets you free with its poetry, and contemporary music with ethnic sound. performance. Front man, Mohammad Muneem's Urdu and Kashmiri poetry is relevant and bold; his vocals, both haunting and soothing.

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FOLK ART

Gondhal: A Folk Theater of Maharashtra

Dr. Saheb Khandare

Dr. Khandare will take the audience on a journey of folk art. beginning with an overview of folk art around the world. He will speak about the folk art in Maharashtra at length, and more specifically about 'Gondhal' - an ancient and a diverse art form. The talk will be accompanied by a performance by 'Gondhalis'







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FASHION & FEMINISM

The Fluid **Functional Saree**

Nikaytaa

Nikaytaa is a globally acclaimed Saree Researcher, entrepren and author by profession, a long distance endurance athlete by passion, a gardener by hobby and a feminist by heart. The founder of The Indian Draping Co. Nikaytaa envisions a world where people of all genders and ages claim their authentic self through a Saree.

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Aunty Sudha Aunty Radha

Tanuja Chandra, Anupama Mandloi, **Aparna Sud**

Two sisters, Sudha and Radha, 85 and 93, have a near-magical existence in their village home in North India, along with their entourage of domestic help. A stirring story with lessons of courage and perseverance, of camaraderie and care-giving, of destiny and faith, and most significantly, of how when we engage in conversations of death, we improve the quality of life.

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PiCA Alumni Talks Webinar Series		Academic Year: 2020-21		
		Event Date: 30/05/2020		

Seminar Moderator: Prof. Smita	Dalvi
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Seminar Details				
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PiCA Alumni Talks

'PiCA Alumni Talks' – a Webinar Series organised by PiCA Student Council and X- Pican, the Alumni Association of the college – to mark the golden jubilee year of Mahatma Education Society.

The series aims to highlight and commend myriad professional journeys and achievements of PiCA's alumni who are spread in every corner of the country and across the world and have made their alma mater proud with their good work.

The speaker for the first webinar held on 30 May 2020 was Eranna Yekbote (PiCA batch 1992-97), Chief Architect at Era Architects.

Era Architects, established in 1999, has designed and delivered a large number of projects across 33 countries worldwide in various fields such as cinema screens, performance auditoriums, hotels and hospitality, shopping malls, exhibition design etc.

The session was moderated by Prof. Smita Dalvi. It can be viewed on our YouTube channel:

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M.E.S. Pillai College of Architecture, New Panvel.				
PiCA Alumni Talks Webinar Series		Academic Year: 2020-21		
		Event Date: 13/06/2020		

Seminar Moderator: Ar. Ajay Nayak (CEO, EdEn - Educated Environments)				
Speakers Invited:				
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The second speaker in the series is Krupa Zubin (batch 1994-99), Founder and Chief Architect at ZZ Architects. This webinar series is being organised by the Student Council and X-Pican, the alumni association of the college to mark the golden jubilee year of Mahatma Education Society.

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The session was moderated by Prof. Jinu Kurien (batch 1993-98), Principal Architect at Design Works. Date and Time: 27th June, 2020 at 8.30 p.m. IST This webinar series was organised by the Student Council and X-Pican, the alumni association of the college to mark the golden jubilee year of Mahatma Education Society. The event was live streamed on our Youtube page: tiny.cc/picaonline

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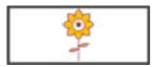












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To: Sudnya Mahimkar <sudnyamahimkar@mes.ac.in>

Sat, Jun 27, 2020 at 8:07 PM

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The event will be livestreamed on our Youtube page: tiny.cc/picaonline

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Sun, Jun 28, 2020 at 2:47 PM



Dear Bhavana

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Best regards Sincerely

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Respected Madam

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Tue, Jun 30, 2020 at 1:42 PM

Thanks Bhavana.

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M.E.S. Pillai College of Architecture, New Panvel.					
Internship & Placement Webinar: Placement Cell	"Preparing for placement"	Academic Year:	2020-21		
		Event Date:	18/07/2020		

Webinar Coordinator: Prof. Kavita Pradhan

Faculty Team: Prof. Kavita Pradhan.

Speakers Invited:

Architect Sachin Mulay, Senior Architect at Perkins Eastman, Mumbai.

Seminar Details

https://meet.google.com/ojv-gmbm-tqp.

Attended by students: 4th Year and graduating batch

Number of students present 90

Brief Description:

"Preparing for placement"

A discourse on applying to architecture firms, writing cover letters, preparing résumé and making portfolio to get the desired job.

This year saw unprecedented challenge due the pandemic and architecture fraternity has got affected tremendously. In this situation, getting internship for 4th year students or placement for graduation students is going to be a difficult task.

Thus, to help PiCA students get good opportunities, it is important for them to have a great application package. This seminar aims to prepare our students in preparing this application package mainly Resume, Cover letter and portfolio.

In our field, there are many different firms that specialize in a particular stream. Interior design, Furniture or product design, Landscape design, Urban design are to name a few. Students need to express their interests and prepare their applications accordingly.

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Webinar Program:

11.00 : Preparing for Placement: Presentation by Ar. Sachin Mulay

Dos & Don'ts of preparing Resume, Cover Letter & Portfolio

2.00: Insights: Presentations by 5th year students to 4th year showcasing their portfolios

Brief Vitae of Ar. Sachin Mulay:

Sachin graduated from PiCA in 2001 and since then has worked in India and in the US with several international firms including Atelier Jean Nouvel, Cannon Design and Perkins Eastman. His primary strength is in designing educational campuses. After his master's studies at Cornell, he had attended a short course about career guidance. For the past three years, he has been conducting an Internship Development program at Perkins Eastman; which involves carefully selecting the interns for the Mumbai studio and mentoring them to brush-up their visual communication, practice related knowledge and interpersonal skills. The program includes interactive activities, outdoor events & presentations. He is here to share with the you all the relevant tips and observations about what goes into putting together a successful application package.

Contact info: sachinmulay79@gmail.com. 99300 07937

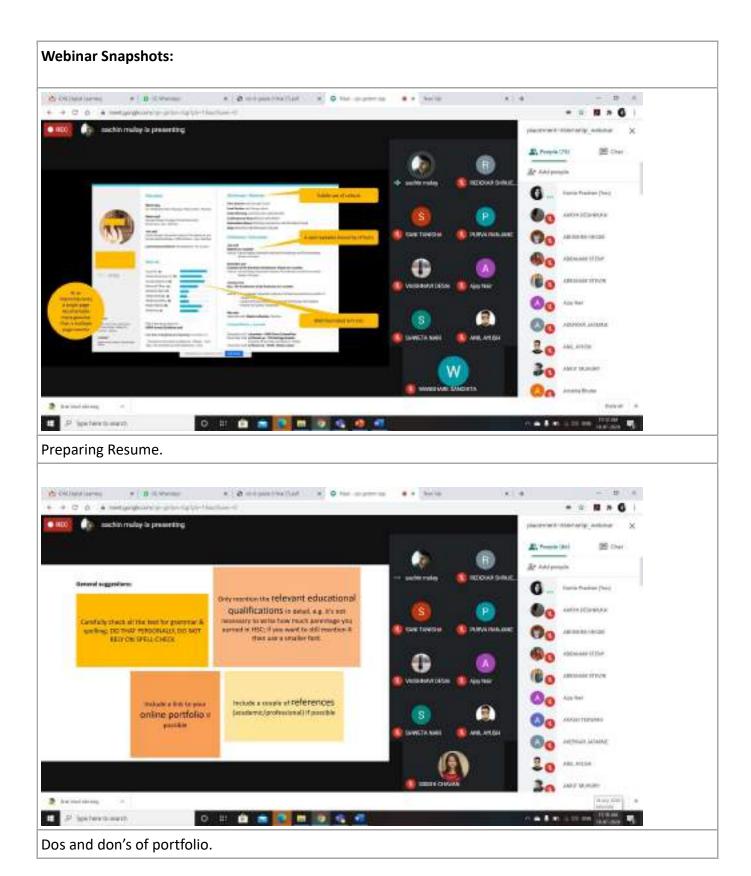
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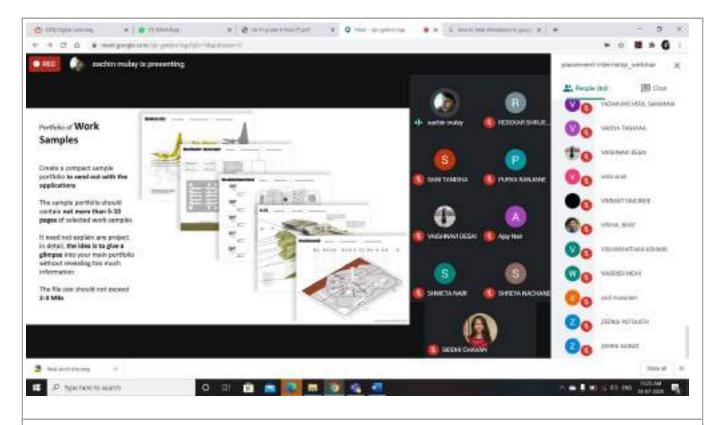
Kavita Pradhan introduced Architect Sachin Mulay. He began his presentation with Resume preparation. Sachin elaborated on what to include and what not to include in resume. He mentioned the hobbies that are directly related to profession like photography, travelling. He highlighted that if one is significant achiever, like a classical dancer, or musician who has done recordings, then must mention in the resume. He stressed on test prints and carrying 2 copies for interview.

He then talked about presentation format of Portfolio. He gave various examples of presentation styles and how emphasis needs to be placed on certain graphics to highlight the same. How certain sections can extend on both pages. Spiral binding is preferred for portfolio.

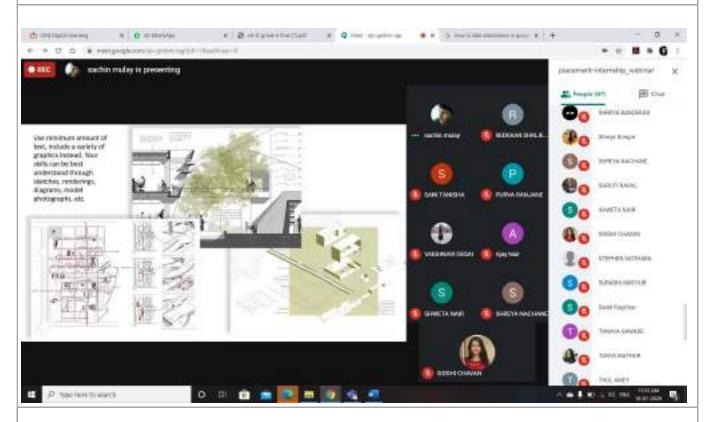
In the end Sachin talked about Dos & don'ts of cover letter. How it is important to keep cover letter short yet it needs to connect with the employer. How the students can give references of their own Thesis and the firm that they want to intern with how it can add significant value to the student's professional development.

Prof. Jinu Kurien joined in as we were discussing about opportunities for internship during Covid period. He elaborated how its is possible to do completely online internship with more polished software skills for the students. The webinar ended on positive note with students looking at having opportunities in the current times.





Portfolio graphics.



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Communication reference:

Preparing for Internship Webinar Inbox ×







Kavita Pradhan «kavita@mes.ac.in» to sachinmulay79, Sudnya, Kavita +

Jul 8, 2020, 3:02 PM (10 days ago)





Dear Sachin,

We would like to invite you to conduct 'Preparing for Internship Webinar' for current 4th year students. We would like you to speak about preparing a resume, portfolio and writing cover letters to apply in architecture firms

Date: Saturday, 18th July 2020

Time: 11 am

Venue: Google Meet (Link will be shared on the same day morning)

Please share your brief bio and also your bank details for the honorary payment from PiCA.

Thanks and regards.



sachin mulay

Jul 12, 2020, 12:55 PM (6 days ago) 🐈 🤸 🚦







to me, Sudnya, Kavita ...

Thanks for your invitation. I will be happy to present on the time and date as mentioned in your email. I'll share the requested details soon.

Regards

Hi Kavita,

Sachin



Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>

Internship & Placement Webinar: 18th July 2020 at 11 am

2 messages

Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>

Tue, Jul 14, 2020 at 8:23 PM

To: "Dr. Sudnya Mahimkar" <sudnyamahimkar@mes.ac.in>, PICA STUDENTS 2015 <pica-students2015@mes.ac.in>, Kavita Sawant <ksawant@mes.ac.in>

Dear Students.

"Preparing for Placement" is a training session that PiCA Placement Cell conducts each year in order to help our 4th year students in getting internships and our graduating students to get job opportunities. Students will learn do's and don'ts of applying to architecture firms, writing cover letters, preparing résumé and making a portfolio.

Preparing for Placement: Internship & Placement Webinar

Guest speaker: Sachin Mulay

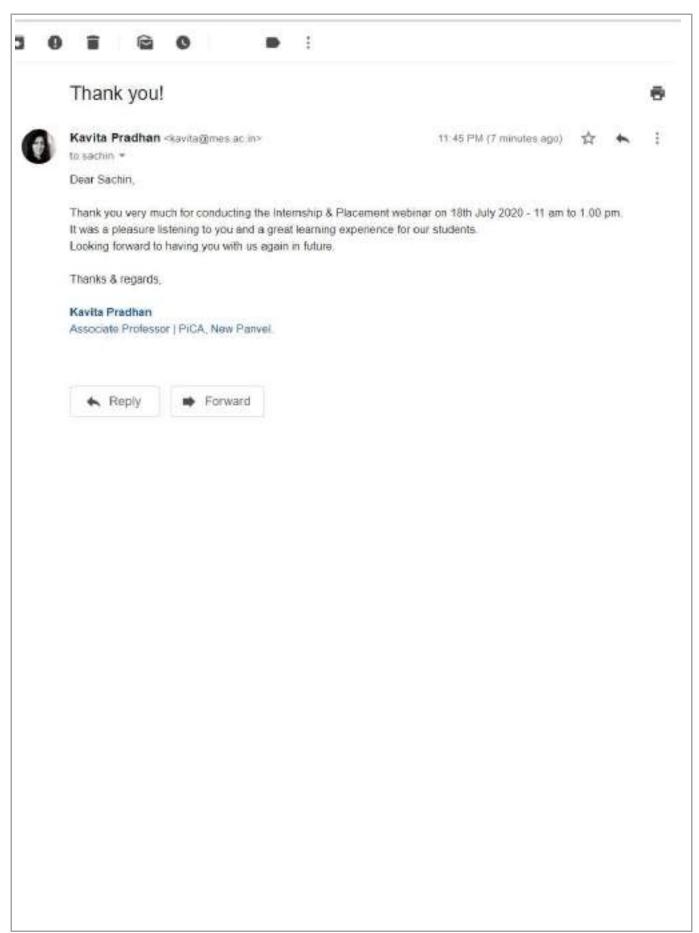
Senior Architect at Perkins Eastman, Mumbai. Date & time: Saturday, 18th July 2020 at 11 am

Webinar Link: Google Meet (Link will be shared on the day of the event).



4th year students, attendance is mandatory, Looking forward to seeing you all.

Thanks & Regards, Kavita Pradhan Associate Professor | PiCA, New Panvel.



Poster:

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PICA Placement Cell presents

Preparing for Placement

A discourse on applying to architecture firms, writing cover letters, preparing resume and making portfolio.

Guest Speaker: Ar. Sachin Mulay

Senior Architect at Perkins Eastman, Mumbai



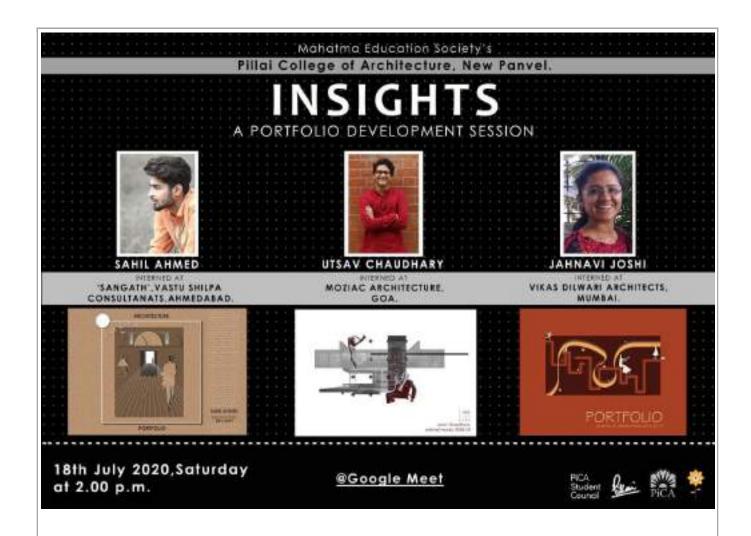












This session was conducted by Students Council in support of the Placement Cell. Kiran Patel from graduating batch anchored the session and the 5th year student – Sahil Ahmed (interned with B.V. doshi), Utsav Chaudhary (interned with Dean D'cruise and Jahnavi Joshi (interned with Vikas Dilawari) prsented their experiences about application process and intenship with the well-known architects.

M.E.S. Pillai College of Architecture, New Panvel.		
PICA ALUMNI TALK	Topic:- Overseas Education	Academic Year: 2022-23
		Event Date: 23/01/2023

Coordinator: Prof. Sarojini Lohot.

Faculty Team: Prof. Avinash S.

Speaker Invited:

Ar. Salil Keny

Guest Lecture Details

Date: 23/01/2023 | **Time:** 10.30am-12.00 | **Venue:** AV ROOM 2nd Floor

noon

Attended by students: 5th Year

Number of students present 30

The session started with introducing Ar. Salil Keny, Alumni of Pillai college of architecture working as A Job Captain/ Designer in Kenneth Boroson Architects, New Haven- Connecticut, USA. The objective of the session was students can have one to one discussion with him and understand how to cope with the different the life style, cluture, food etc. also the major problem how to tackle finances. Etc. while pursuing there post graduate degree overseas.

Salil started his talk with how to select university for admission ,considering the university level, also one as to look for the city its lifestyle distance from where you stay,this will help in derving how much you need to spend and how you can save , secondly the course time whether its 2years , 1-1/2 years course and visa period extended after completion. He also spoke of the work folio the students should make and get verified, which help in getting admission. He spoke regarding selecting field in which you are interested and want to develop as a career in future. don't select just because your friend had opt for it. He also explain his experience in US, various jobs he did how he selected them ,which helped him in completion of his course. He told students doing a part time job to earn is necessary but selecting a proper job is more important .

The students also asked various questions related to architecture working style abroad, what are the skills they need to develop etc. salil showed presentation of his work done abroad. He also interacted with the students regarding when to start applying and preparation needed for the exam. The session ended on a thank you note.

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SALIL P. KENY

M.Arch From Gerald d. Hines College of Architecture, University of Houston, USA

PICA BATCH - 2012 - 2017









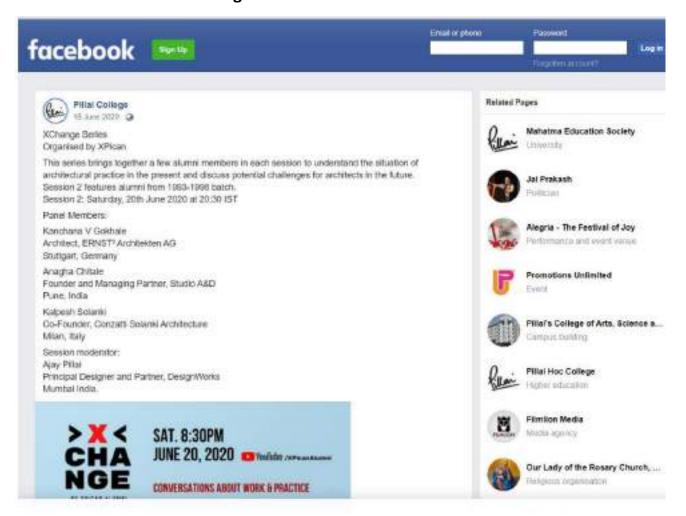






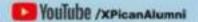


Alumni Online Meet 'X-change' 2020-21





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CONVERSATIONS ABOUT WORK & PRACTICE



KANCHANA V GOKHALE Architect ERNST^a Architekten AG



ANAGHA CHITALE Founder, Managing Partner Studio A&D Pune, India



KALPESH SOLANKI Co-Founder Conzatti Solanki Architecture Studio Milan. Italy

Moderated by Ajay Pillai

Stuttgart, Germany

Principal Designer, Partner DesignWorks Mumbal India



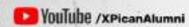








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CONVERSATIONS ABOUT WORK & PRACTICE



PRAMOD SANOOR

Senior Project Architect **BAR Architects** San Francisco, USA



SUNIL S LADHA

Principal Architect/ Director Workspace Besign Studio Pvt Ltd Dagipur, India



VIKI THAKKAR

Owner & Founder Viki Thakkar Design Studio. Mumbai,India

Moderated by Avanish Pendharkar, AICP

Architect, Urban Designer and Urban Planner Mumbal, India









M.E.S. Pillai College of Architecture, New Panvel.		
Design Dissertation Presentatn Series	" PiCA Thesis Forum"	Academic Year: 2020-21
		Series start date: 16/07/2020

Webinar Coordinator: Prof. Kavita Pradhan

Faculty Team: Prof. Tejashree Lakras, Prof. Neha Korde, Prof. Kavita Sawant, Prof. R. Venkatesh and many other PiCA Faculty.

Speakers Invited:

PiCA alumni who excelled in their final year Design Dissertation

Brief Description:

PiCA Thesis Forum is a webinar series where X-PiCAns present the process and outcome of their final year Design Dissertations. It offers a platform for Design Dissertation discussions and exchange of ideas between our students, faculty and the alumni. It provides exposure to current students to the research processes of their seniors' theses and reveals how those culminated into design intents. It aims to unfold the evolution of concepts, how the designs responded to context, research explorations, user needs, materiality and also the resolution of challenges of building structures.

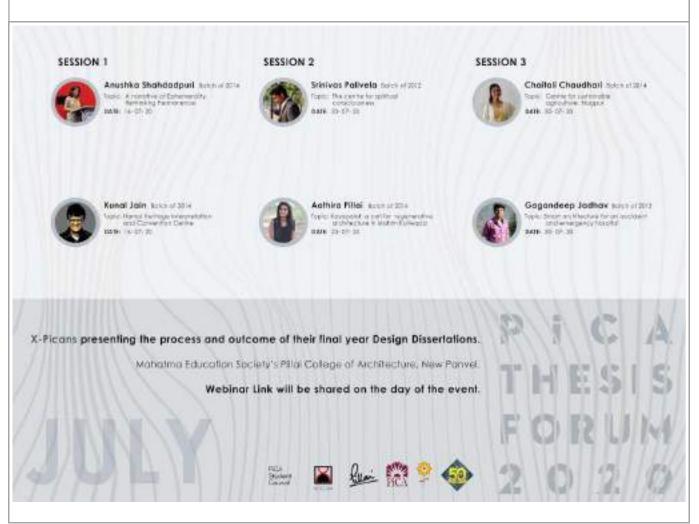
Thus, **PiCA Thesis Forum** hopes to kindle the quest of posing interesting architecture research questions among the current 4th and 5th year students and challenges them to handle the Design Dissertation in an innovative, mature and holistic manner.

PiCA Thesis Forum 2020

Presentations for the month of July

Session No	Date	Presenters
1	16/07/2020	 Anushka Shahdadpuri (graduated- 2019) Kunal Jain (graduated - 2019)
2	23/07/2020	 Aathira Pillai (graduated- 2019) Srinivas Palivela (graduated - 2017)
3	30/07/2020	 Chaitali Chaudhari (graduated- 2019) Gagandeep Jadhav (graduated - 2018)

Event Calendar Poster for the month of July



Webinar Details:

Attendees: PiCA students, faculty and other college students

Number of attendees: 220

X-PiCAns presenters:

3. Anushka Shahdadpuri (graduated- 2019)

4. Kunal Jain (graduated - 2019)

Session Moderator: Prof. Tejashree Lakras

Webinar Minutes:

5.00 pm: Introduction by Dr. Sudnya Mahimkar

5.05 pm: Presentation by Anushka Shahdadpuri

Thesis Topic: A Narrative of Ephemerality. Re-thinking permanence

5.50 pm: Presentation by Kunal Jain

Thesis Topic: Hampi Heritage Interpretation and Convention Centre

6.20 pm: Question and answer session

6.45 pm: Vote of Thanks by Kavita Pradhan

Webinar recording link:

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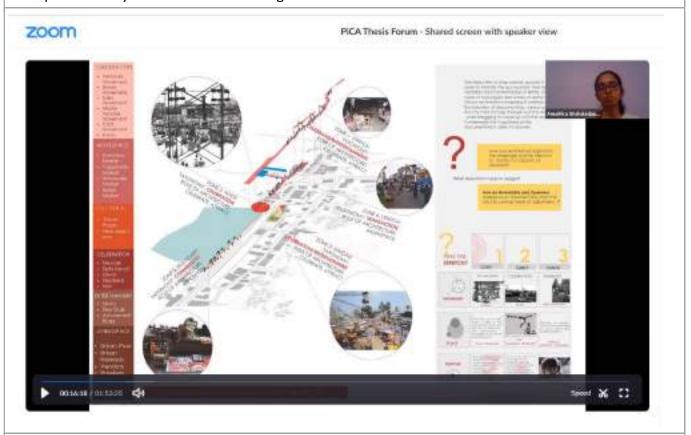
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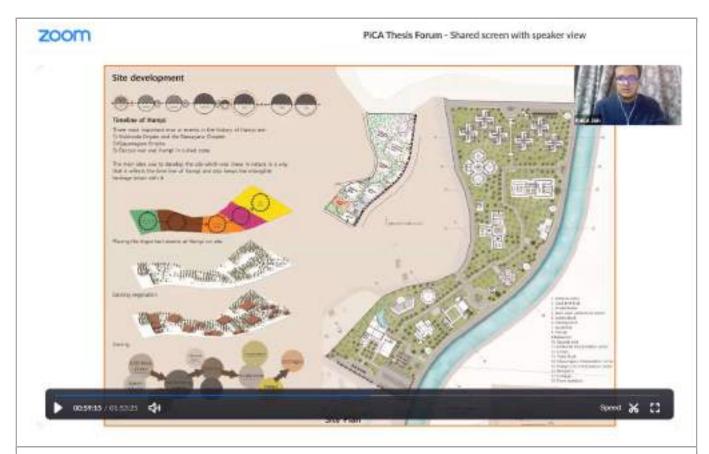
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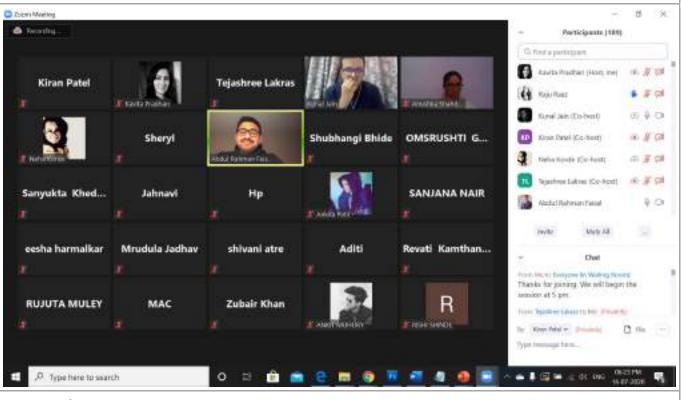
Principle Dr. Sudnya Mahimkar introducing PiCA Thesis Forum



Anushka Shahdadpuri presenting her thesis



Kunal Jain presenting his thesis process



Question & answer session

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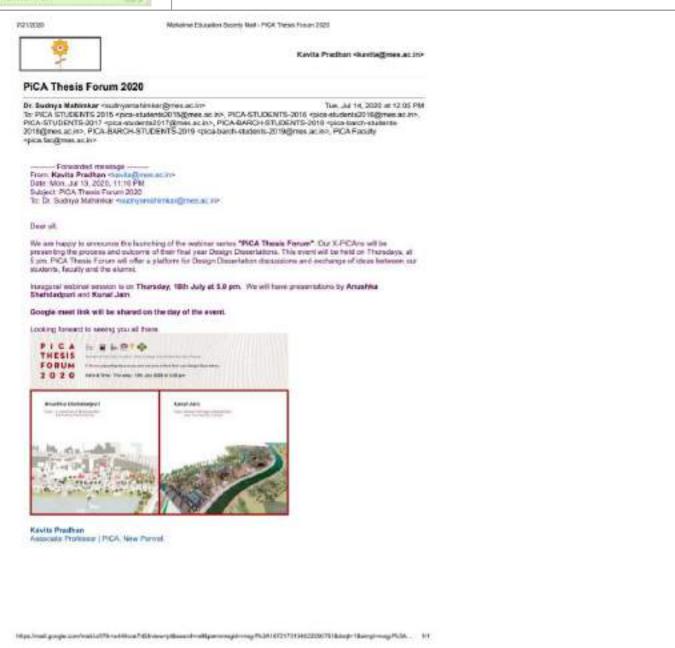


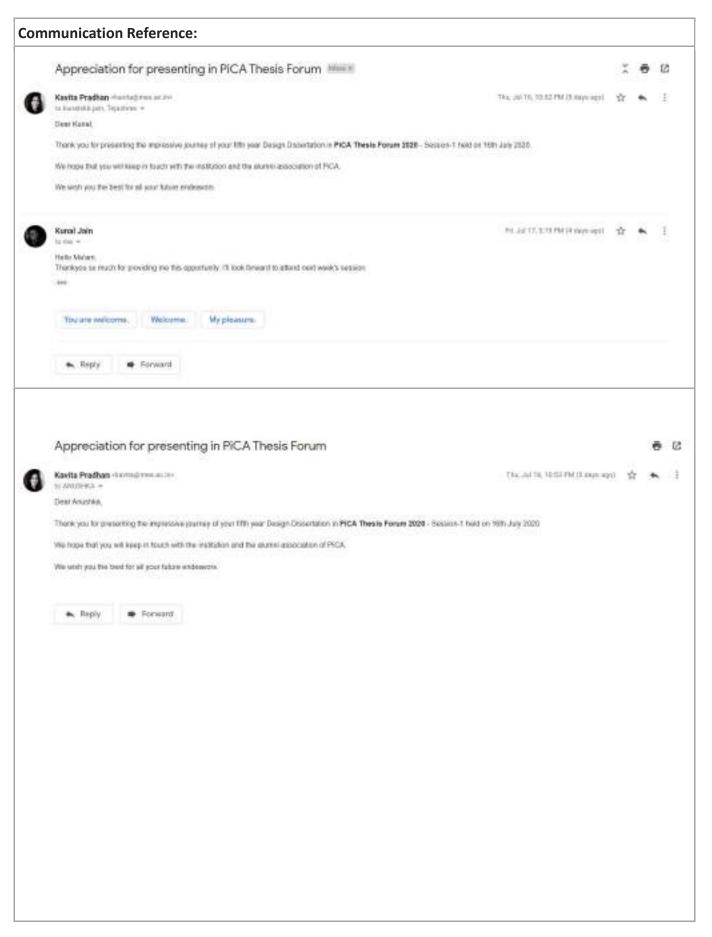
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Poster: PICA THESIS Mahalma Education Society's Filial College of Architecture, New Panvel. FORUM X-Picans presenting the process and outcome at their final year Design Dissertations. 2020 Date & Time: Thursday, 16th July 2020 at 5.00 pm Kunal Jain Anushka Shahdadpuri Topic: A name tive of Ephemerality, Retrinking Permanence Topic: Hompi Heritage Interpretation and Convention Centre

Webinar Details:

Session No: 2 (Talk-2) | **Date:** 23/07/2020 | **Time:** 5.00 pm -6.30 pm | **Venue:** Zoom

Attendees: PiCA students, faculty and other college students

Number of attendees: 180+ on Zoom & Youtube Views: 600+

X-PiCAns presenters:

3. Aathira Pillai (graduated- 2019)

4. Srinivas Palivela (graduated - 2017)

Session Moderator: Prof. R. Venkatesh

Webinar Minutes:

5.00 pm: Opening remarks by Prof. Kavita Pradhan

5.05 pm: Presentation by Aathira Pillai

Thesis Topic: Kayapalat: a call for regenerative architecture in Mahim Koliwada

5.30 pm: Presentation by Srinivas Palivela

Thesis Topic: The centre for spiritual consciousness

6.00 pm: Question and answer session

6.25 pm: Vote of Thanks by Kavita Pradhan

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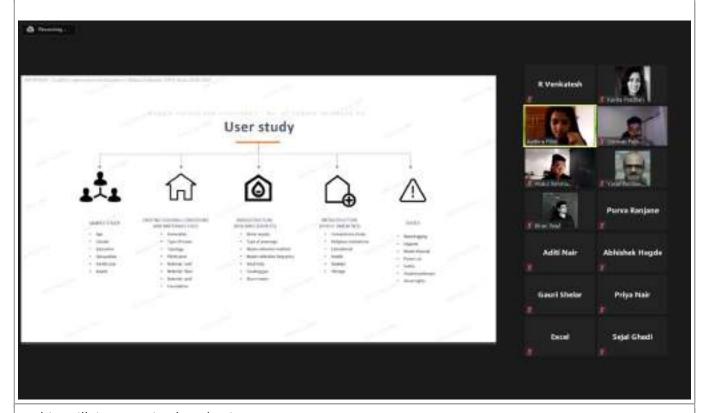
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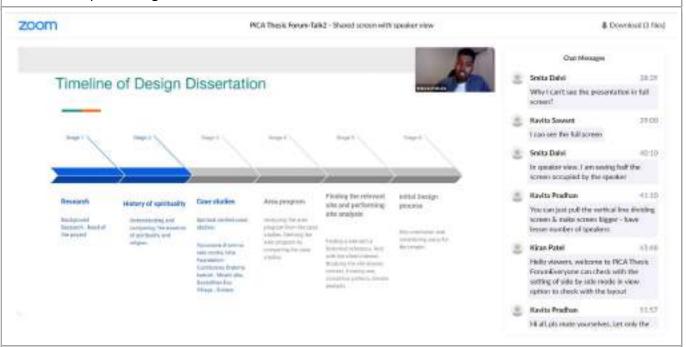
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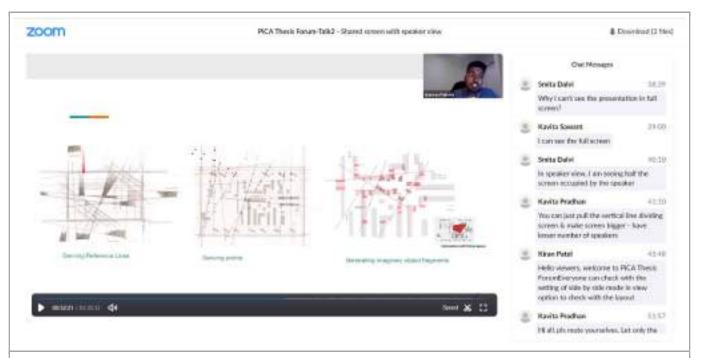
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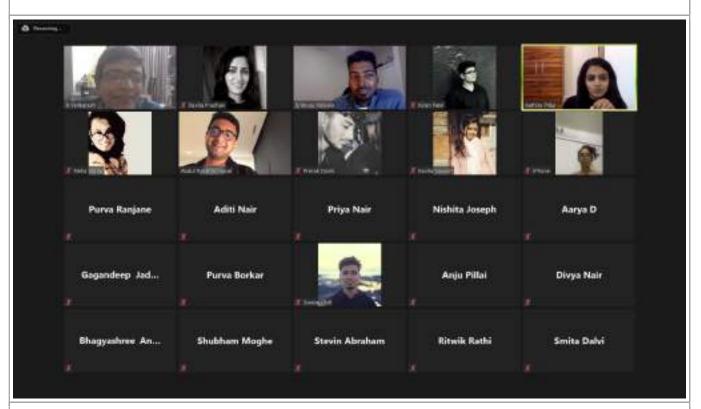
Aathira Pillai presenting her thesis



Srinivas presenting his thesis

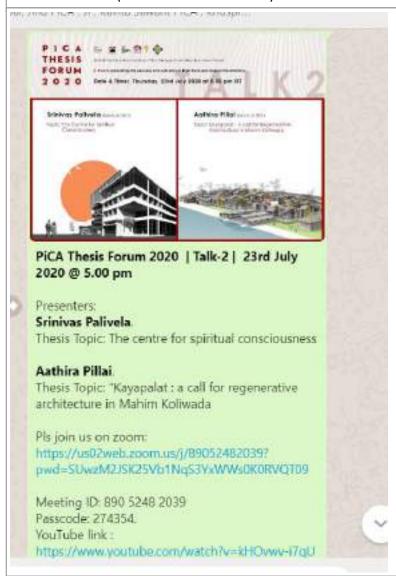


Srinivas presenting glimpses of his masters' thesis



Question & answer session

Webinar Invite: (shared on social media)



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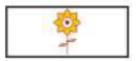
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Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>

PiCA Thesis Forum 2020 - Thank you

1 message

Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>

Fri. Jul 24, 2020 at 3:16 PM

To: AATHIRA SURENDRANATH PILLAI <asurendranath229@student.mes.ac.in>

Dear Aathira

Thank you for presenting the impressive journey of your fifth year Design Dissertation in PiCA Thesis Forum 2020 - Talk-2, held on 23rd July 2020.

We hope that you will keep in touch with the institution and the alumni association of PiCA.

We wish you the best for all your future endeavors.

Regards, Kavita Pradhan

Associate Professor | PiCA, New Panyel.

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Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>

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1 message

Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>
To: Srinivas Palivela <s.palivela@ug.net.au>

Fri, Jul 24, 2020 at 3:14 PM

Dear Srinivas,

Thank you for presenting the impressive journey of your fifth year Design Dissertation in PiCA Thesis Forum 2020 - Talk-2, held on 23rd July 2020.

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Regards, Kavita Pradhan

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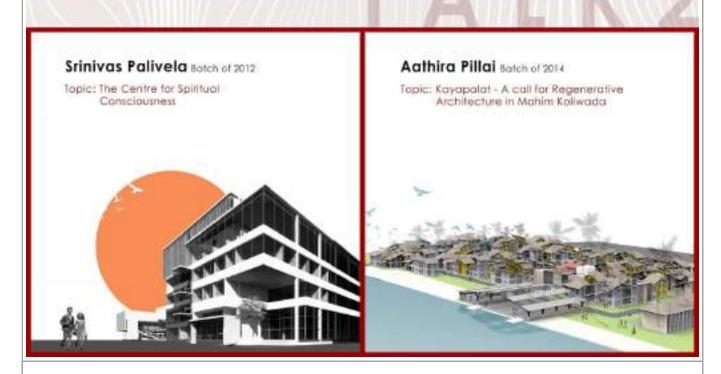
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X-Ficons presenting the process and outcome at their final year Design Dissertations,

Date & Time: Thursday, 23rd July 2020 at 5.00 pm IST



Webinar Details:

Session No: 3 (Talk-3) | **Date:** 30/07/2020 | **Time:** 5.00 pm -6.30 pm | **Venue:** Zoom

Attendees: PiCA students, faculty and other college students

Number of attendees: 95+ on Zoom & Youtube Views: 400+

X-PiCAns presenters:

1. Chaitali Chaudhari (graduated- 2019)

2. Gagandeep Jadhav (graduated - 2018)

Session Moderator: Prof. Reshma Sathe

Webinar Minutes:

5.02 pm: Opening remarks by Prof. Kavita Pradhan

5.03 pm: Introduction of presenters by Moderator Prof. Reshma Sathe

5.07 pm: Presentation by Chaitali Chaudhari

Thesis Topic: Centre for Sustainable Agriculture, Nagpur

5.30 pm: Presentation by Gagandeep Jadhav

Thesis Topic: Smart Architecture for an Accident and Emergency Hospital

6.00 pm: Question and answer session. Many faculty and students engaged in a healthy discussion about the presented design dissertations.

6.25 pm: Vote of Thanks by Kavita Pradhan. It was an exciting session as all students and faculty got the opportunity to see two different dissertations and research challenges that were very well handled by the X-PiCAns presenters.

Webinar recording link:

Topic: PiCA Thesis Forum: Talk-3 Date: Jul 30, 2020 04:45 PM India

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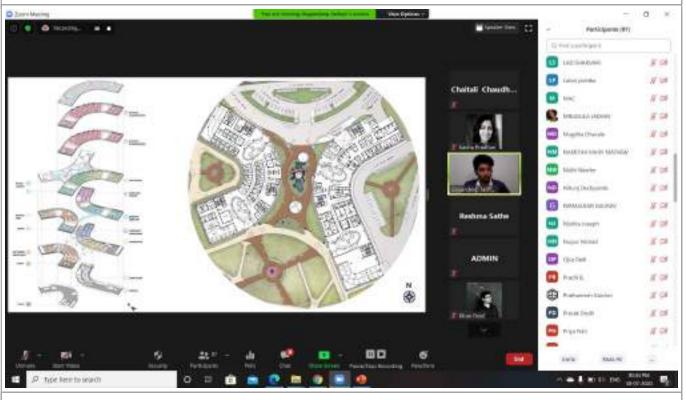
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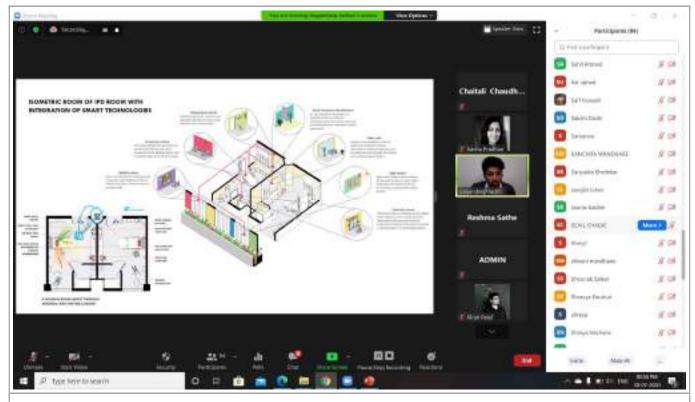
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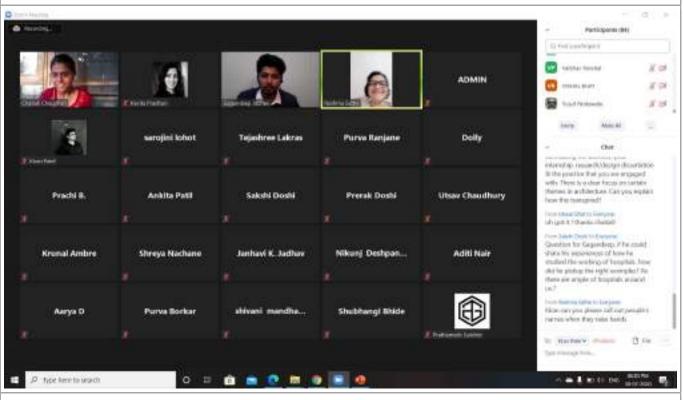
Chaitali Chaudhari presenting her thesis related to farmers' issues and agriculture



Gagandeep Jadhav presenting his thesis



Gagandeep explaining SMART architecture details of his project



Question & answer session

Webinar Invite: (shared on social media)





Invite Links shared:

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Topic: PiCA Thesis Forum: Talk-3 Time: Jul 30, 2020 5.00 PM India

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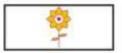
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Mahatma Education Society Mail - PiCA Thesis Forum 2020 | Talk-3 | Thursday, 30th July 2020 @ 5.00 pm



Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>

PiCA Thesis Forum 2020 | Talk-3 | Thursday, 30th July 2020 @ 5.00 pm

Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in> To: PiCA Faculty <pica.fac@mes.ac.in> Thu, Jul 30, 2020 at 10:36 AM

Dear all

We would like to invite you all to our Talk-3 session:

PiCA Thesis Forum 2020 | Talk-3 | Thursday, 30 July 2020 @ 5.00 pm

Presenters:

Chaitall Chaudhari.

Batch of 2014.

Thesis Topic: Centre for Sustainable Agriculture, Nagpur

Gagandeep Jadhav.

Batch of 2013

Thesis Topic: Smart Architecture for an Accident and Emergency Hospital.

For MES

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Looking forward to having a dialogue with all of you during the QnA.

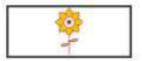
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Associate Professor | PiCA, New Panvel.

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Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>

Thank you for your presentation in PiCA Thesis Forum 2020

1 message

Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in> To: chaitalichaudhari103@gmail.com Fri, Jul 31, 2020 at 2:33 PM

Dear Chaitali Chaudhari,

Thank you for presenting the impressive journey of your fifth year Design Dissertation in PiCA Thesis Forum 2020 - Talk-3, held on 30th July 2020.

We hope that you will keep in touch with the institution and the alumni association of PiCA.

We wish you the best for all your future endeavors.

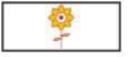
Regards,

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Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>

Thank you for your presentation in PiCA Thesis Forum 2020

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Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>
To: GAGANDEEP JADHAV <gjadhav@student.mes.ac.in>

Fri, Jul 31, 2020 at 2:36 PM

Dear Gagandeep Jadhay,

Thank you for presenting the impressive journey of your fifth year Design Dissertation in PiCA Thesis Forum 2020 - Talk-3, held on 30th July 2020.

We hope that you will keep in touch with the institution and the alumni association of PiCA.

We wish you the best for all your future endeavors.

Regards, Kavita Pradhan

Associate Professor | PiCA, New Panvel.

Poster: PiCA E Bung THESIS Mahalma Education Society's Pillai College of Architecture, New Panyel. FORUM X-Ficons presenting the process and outcome of their final year Design Dissertations, 2020 Date & Time: Thursday, 30th July 2020 at 5.00 pm IST Chaitali Chaudhari Batch of 2014 Gagandeep Jadhav selen of 2813 Topic: Centre for Sustainable Tapic: Smart Architecture for an Accident and agriculture.Nagpur. **Emergency Hospital**

M.E.S. Pillai College of Architecture, New Panvel.		
Design Dissertation Presentatn Series	" PiCA Thesis Forum"	Academic Year: 2020-21
		Series start date: 16/07/2020

Webinar Coordinator: Prof. Kavita Pradhan

Faculty Team / Session Moderators : Prof. Tejashree Lakras, Prof. Neha Korde, Prof. Kavita Sawant, Prof. Smita Dakvi, Prof. Jinu kurien and many other PiCA Faculty.

Speakers Invited:

PiCA alumni who excelled in their final year Design Dissertation

Brief Description:

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PiCA Thesis Forum 2020

Presentations for the month of August

Session No	Date	Presenters
4	07/08/2020	 Eesha Harmalkar (graduated- 2019) Riddhi Aiya (graduated- 2018)
5	13/08/2020	 Unmesh Kelkar (graduated- 2015) Aishwarya Raju (graduated- 2017)
6	20/08/2020	 Roman Pradhan (graduated- 2017) Bahar Deewan (graduated- 2019) Aishwarya Pradhan (graduated- 2019)
7	27/08/2020	 Vaishali Singh (graduated- 2016) Siddhesh Bhandari (graduated- 2019)

Event Calendar Poster for the month of August



Webinar Details:

Attendees: PiCA students, faculty and other college students

Number of attendees: 120

X-PiCAns presenters:

1. Eesha Harmalkar (graduated- 2019)

2. Riddhi Aiya (graduated- 2018)

Session Moderator: Prof. Smita Dalvi

Webinar Minutes:

5.02 pm: Opening remarks by Prof. Kavita Pradhan

5.03 pm: Introduction of presenters by Moderator Prof. Smita Dalvi

1. 5.07 pm: Presentation by **Eesha Harmalkar Thesis Topic: Working Women's Hostel**

2. 5.50 pm: Presentation by Riddhi Aiya

Thesis Topic: Urban intervention in the Dhobi Ghat Community, Colaba.

6.30 pm: Question and answer session. The thesis processes and research were appreciable. Faculty members who were present and students engaged in a discussion about the presented design dissertations that had proposed certain policy changes as in case of new proposal for Dhobi Ghat at Colaba and inclusion of co-working spaces in working women's hostel. It was an interesting session as the research required for the dissertations was handled very well by both the X-PiCAns.

6.50 pm: Vote of Thanks by Kavita Pradhan.

(This session was planned for Thursday 6th August; but due to heavy rainfall and power-cuts in many areas, it b was postponed to Friday, 7th August at a short notice.)

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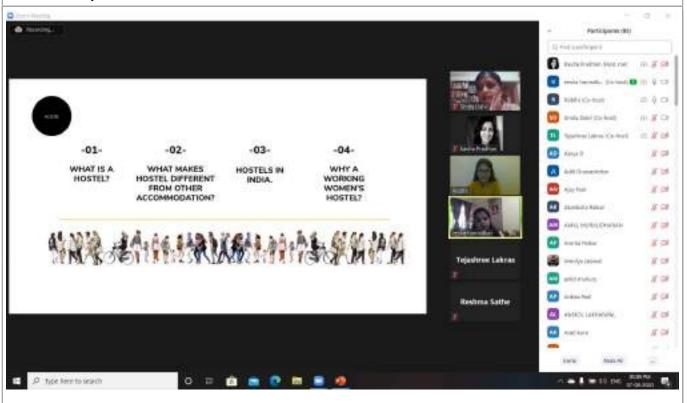
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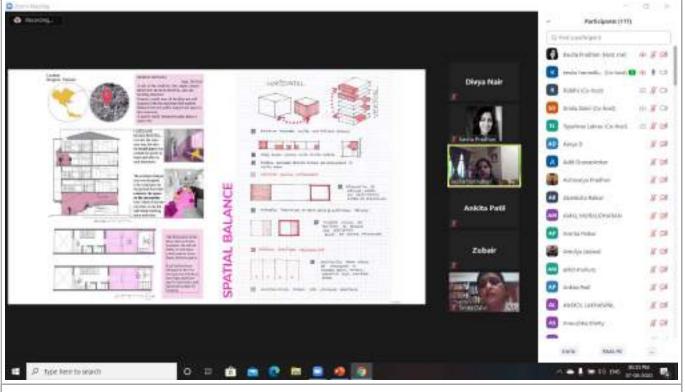
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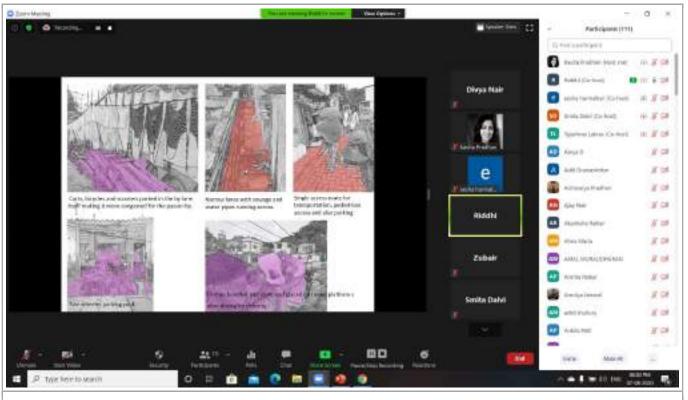
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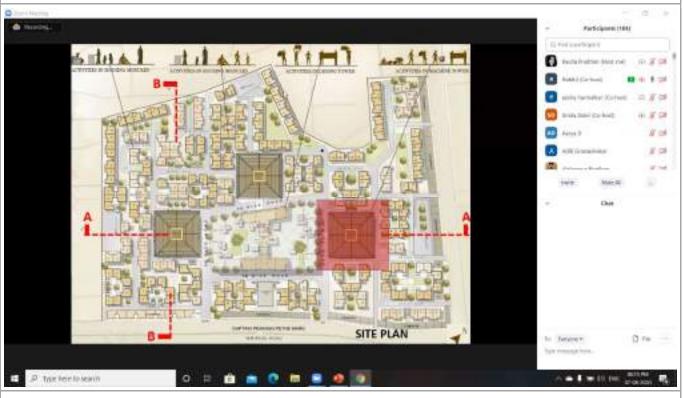
Eesha presenting the working women's hostel research.



Eesha's hand-drawn skectches were very informative.



Riddhi Aiya presenting her thesis process



Riddhi's design drawings

Communication Reference:

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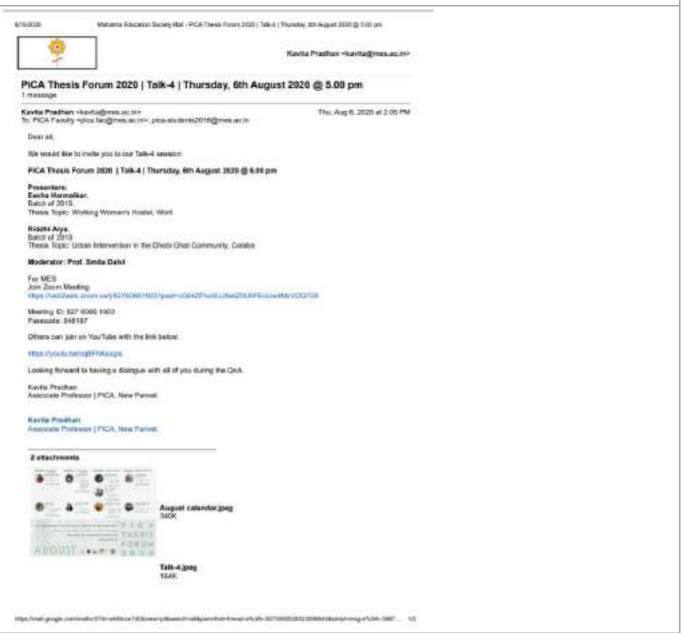
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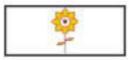
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Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>

Appreciation for presenting in PiCA Thesis Forum 2020

1 message

Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>

To: EESHA HARMALKAR <eharmalkar@student.mes.ac.in>

Mon, Aug 10, 2020 at 8:39 PM

Dear Eesha Harmalkar.

Thank you for presenting the impressive journey of your fifth year Design Dissertation in PiCA Thesis Forum 2020 - Session-4 held on 7th August 2020.

We hope that you will keep in touch with the institution and the alumni association of PiCA.

We wish you the best for all your future endeavors.

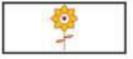
Thanks & regards,

Kavita Pradhan

Associate Professor | PiCA, New Panvel.

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Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>

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Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in> To: riddhi08aiya@gmail.com

Mon, Aug 10, 2020 at 8:42 PM

Dear Riddhi Alya,

Thank you for presenting the impressive journey of your fifth year Design Dissertation in PiCA Thesis Forum 2020 - Session-4 held on 7th August 2020.

We hope that you will keep in touch with the institution and the alumni association of PiCA.

We wish you the best for all your future endeavors.

Thanks & regards,

Kavita Pradhan

Associate Professor | PiCA, New Panvel.

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A. Ficans presenting the process and outcome of their final year Design Dissertations...

Date & Time: Thursday, 6th August 2020 at 5.00 pm IST





Webinar Details:

Session No: 5 Date: 13/08/2020 **Time:** 5.00 pm -7.00 pm **Venue:** Zoom

Attendees: PiCA students, faculty and other college students

Number of attendees: 95+ on Zoom & 535+ YouTube Views

X-PiCAns presenters:

1. Aishwarya Raju (graduated- 2017)

2. Unmesh Kelkar (graduated- 2015)

Session Moderator: Prof. Jinu Kurien

Webinar Minutes:

5.02 pm: Opening remarks by Prof. Kavita Pradhan

5.03 pm: Introduction of presenters by Moderator Prof. Jinu Kurien

5.07 pm: Presentation by Aishwarya Raju

Thesis Topic: Campus for Bamboo Culture, Auroville.

5.40 pm: Presentation by Unmesh Kelkar

Thesis Topic: Architecture of the Threshold: Theorizing In-Between Spaces to Reinterpret Urban

Renewal in Mumbai

6.15 pm: Question and answer session.

The dissertations showed in-depth research process. Aishwarya's thesis was material oriented as it started with Bamboo and explored possibilities. Unmesh briefly showed his bachelors' thesis and focused more on his masters' thesis that was related to Urban design. His drawings and way of representation were remarkable. There was a lot to learn from him for the students present. Unmesh mentioned how after completing his thesis he wrote essays and participated in competitions related to his topic that further helped him get awards and recognition. Jinu Kurien summarized the session about learnings from the session and possibilities of afterlife for the thesis that can give further direction to

6.50 pm: Vote of Thanks by Kavita Pradhan.

Webinar recording link:

Topic: PiCA Thesis Forum

Date: August 13th, 2020 04:50 PM India

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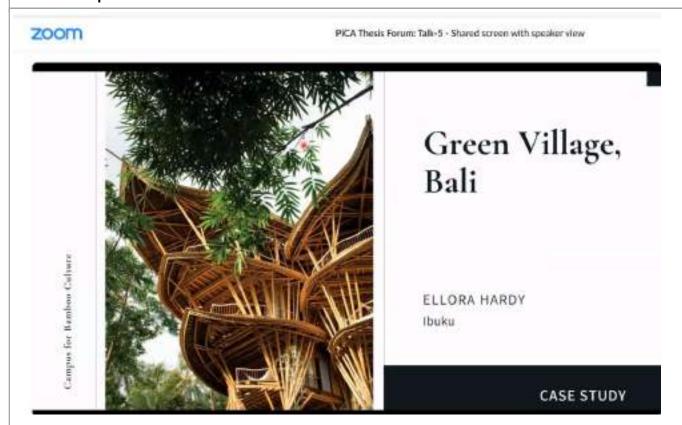
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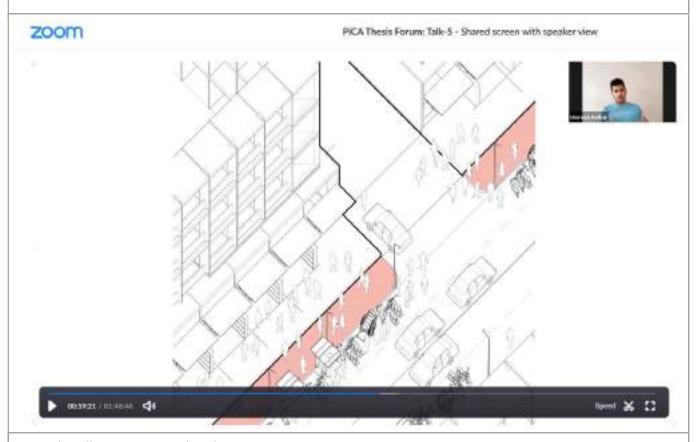
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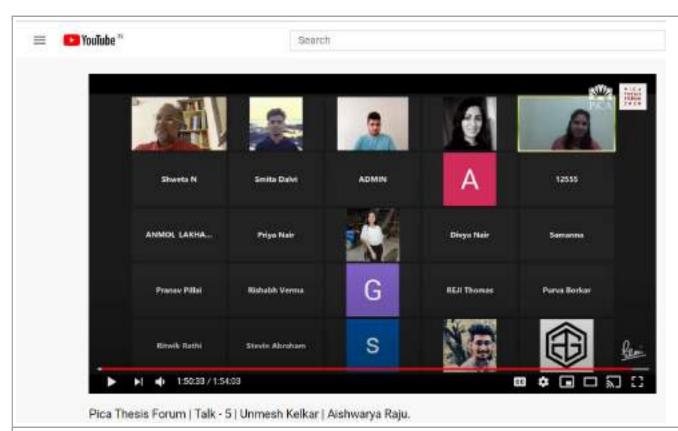
Aishwarya presenting the case study of Bamboo structures



Aishwarya presenting her design drawings



Unmesh Kelkar presenting his thesis process



Question and answer session

Communication Reference:

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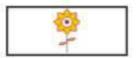
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Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>

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1 message

Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>

Sat, Aug 15, 2020 at 11:00 AM

To: Aishwarya Raju <aishwarya.d.raju@gmail.com>

Dear Aishwarya Raju,

Thank you for presenting the impressive journey of your fifth year Design Dissertation in PiCA Thesis Forum 2020 -Session-5 held on 13th August 2020.

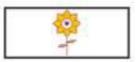
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We wish you the best for all your future endeavors.

Best regards, Kavita Pradhan Associate Professor | PiCA, New Panvel.

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Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>

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Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>
To: Unmesh Kelkar <unmeshskelkar@gmail.com>

Sat, Aug 15, 2020 at 11:02 AM

Dear Unmesh Kelkar,

Thank you for presenting the impressive journey of your masters' Design Dissertation in PiCA Thesis Forum 2020 - Session-5 held on 13th August 2020.

We hope that you will keep in touch with the institution and the alumni association of PiCA.

We wish you the best for all your future endeavors.

Best regards, Kavita Pradhan

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Webinar Series Coordinator: Prof. Kavita Pradhan

Faculty Team: Prof. Neha Korde

Supporting faculty: Prof. Kavita Sawant, Prof. Tejashree Lakras, Prof. Sanghamitra

Speakers Invited:

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The Season-2 was launched in February 2021. This season is mainly organised by students.

Student Coordinator: Dolly Gada

Core team members:

Sakshi Doshi, Purva Rane and Rajas Patwardhan

Support members: Rau tambat, Swaraj Patil, and Kiran Patel

PiCA Thesis Forum Season-2

Presentations for the month of February & March 2021

ession No	Date	Presenters
8	25/02/2021	Mohammed Imran Dastagir
		(graduated- 2020)
		2. Deepshikha Apte
		(graduated - 2020)
9	04/03/2021	3. Somesh Mhatre
		(graduated- 2020)
		4. Aakruti Vaidya
		(graduated - 2020)
10	11/03/2021	5. Reuben Roy (graduated- 2018)
		6. Prachi Jatia
		(graduated - 2020)
11	18/03/2021	7. Zaid Mukadam
		(graduated- 2020)
		8. Goran Ojha
		(graduated - 2020)
12	25/03/2021	9. Priyanka Tiwari
		(Batch of 2015)
		10. Anusha Bhube
		(Batch of 2015)
		11. Tanisha Sani
		(Batch of 2015)

PiCA Thesis Forum - Season2 | Webinar Details:

Session No: 1 - Talk 8 | **Date:** 25/02/2021 | **Time:** 5.00 pm -6.40 pm | **Venue:** Zoom

Attendees: PiCA students, faculty and other college students

Number of attendees: 75+ on zoom & 290+ Youtube views

X-PiCAns presenters:

Mohammed Imran Dastagir (graduated- 2020)

Deepshikha Apte (graduated - 2020)

Session Moderator: Pooja Chavan and Aprajita Chatterjee (5th year)

Webinar Minutes:

5.05 pm: Introduction by Prof. Kavita Pradhan

5.15 pm: Presentation by Mohammed Imran Dastagir

Thesis Topic: Therapeutic Design: An aid to drug rehabilitation

5.50 pm: Presentation by Deepshikha Apte

Thesis Topic: Redevelopment of Devrai arts village, Panchagani

6.15 pm: Question and answer session

Prof. Kavita Pradhan talked about the previous season of PiCA Thesis Forum in her introductory speech. She paid respect to Late Prof. R. Venkatesh and some of Venky Sir's pictures were shared as everyone remembered him.

Imran and Deepshikha presented their thesis work and shared their process of research and design. Prof. Tejashree, Prof. Kavita Sawant & Prof. Sanghamitra appreciated students' presentations and drawings. There was discussion regarding form development, architectural language used and various repetitive elements. X-PiCAns asked the students about various issues addressed in the thesis and details.

6.35 pm: Vote of Thanks by Aprajita.

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Topic: PiCA Thesis Forum

Date: February 25, 2021 05.0 PM India

Youtube link: Talk-8: https://youtu.be/JBvGOzFLf7U

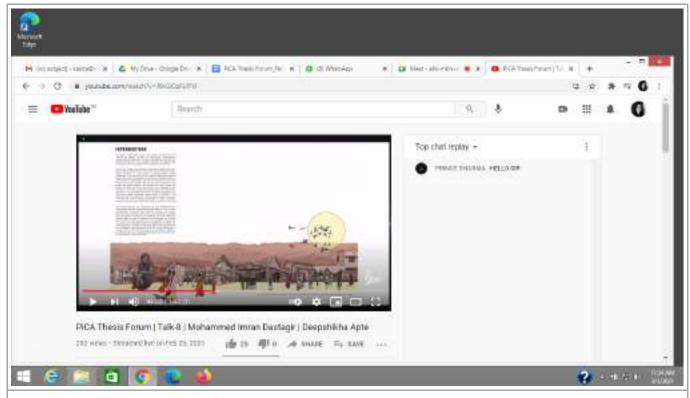
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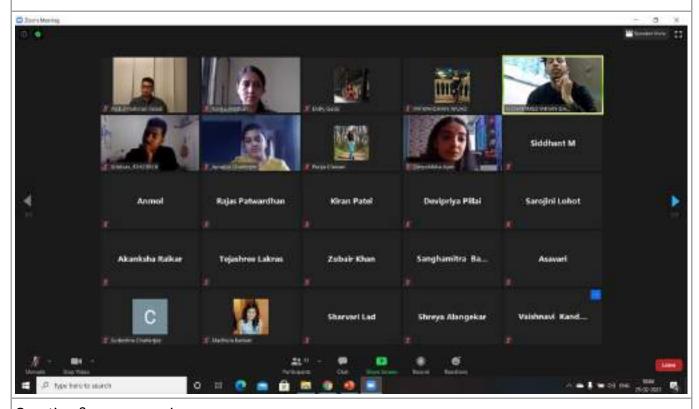
Prof. Kavita Pradhan paid respects to Late Prof. R. Venkatesh



Mohammed Imran Dastagir presenting his thesis

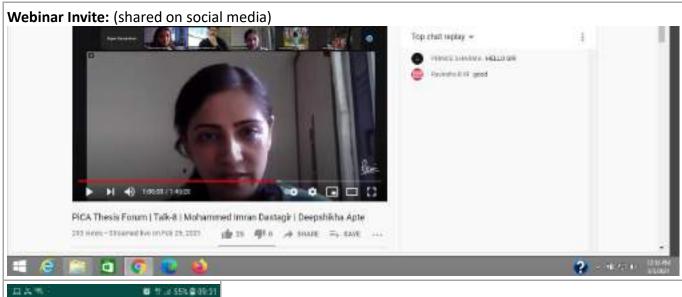


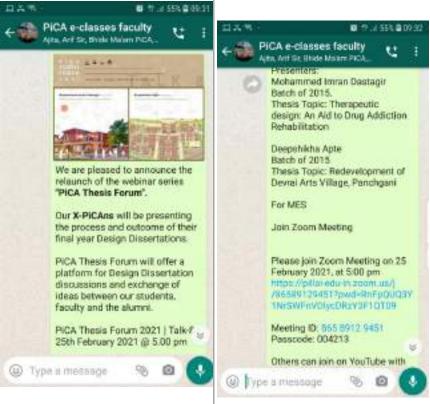
Deepshikha Apte presenting her thesis process



Question & answer session

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1 message

Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>
To: MOHAMMED IMRAN <mohammedid15pa@student.mes.ac.in>

Tue, Mar 2, 2021 at 9:12 AM

Dear Mohammed Imran Dastagir,

Thank you for presenting the impressive journey of your fifth year Design Dissertation in PiCA Thesis Forum 2021 - Session-8 held on 25th February 2021.

We hope that you will keep in touch with the institution and the alumni association of PiCA,

We wish you the best for all your future endeavors.

Warm Regards, Kavita Pradhan

Associate Professor | PiCA, New Panyel

B.Arch. University of Mumbai. | M.Arch. (Architecture) Virginia Tech USA.

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Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>
To: APTE DEEPSHIKHA <apteds 15pa@student.mes.ac.in>

Tue, Mar 2, 2021 at 9:14 AM

Dear Deepshikha Apte.

Thank you for presenting the impressive journey of your fifth year Design Dissertation in PICA Thesis Forum 2021 - Session-8 held on 25th February 2021

We hope that you will keep in touch with the institution and the alumni association of PiCA.

We wish you the best for all your future endeavors.

Warm Regards,

Kavita Pradhan

Associate Professor | PiCA, New Panyel.

B.Arch, University of Mumbal. J. M.Arch. (Architecture) Virginia Tech USA.

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PiCA Thesis Forum - Season2 | Webinar Details:

Session No: 2 - Talk 9 | **Date:** 04/03/2021 | **Time:** 5.00 pm -6.40 pm | **Venue:** Zoom

Attendees: PiCA students, faculty and other college students

Number of attendees: 70+ on zoom & 204+ Youtube views

X-PiCAns presenters:

Somesh Mhatre (graduated - 2020) Aakruti Vaidya (graduated - 2020)

Session Moderator: Jahnavi Joshi and Utsav Chaudhury (5th year)

Webinar Minutes:

5.05 pm: Introduction by Prof. Kavita Pradhan

5.15 pm: Presentation by Somesh Mhatre

Thesis Topic: Re-inventing an Apartment building using micro-houses

5.30 pm: Presentation by Aakruti Vaidya

Thesis Topic: Redevelopment of An Equestrian Academy

5.55 pm: Question and answer session

Prof. Kavita Pradhan talked about the previous season of PiCA Thesis Forum in her introductory speech. Somesh & Aakruti presented their thesis work and shared their process of research and design. There was a discussion about the housing shortage in metropolitan areas and would micro housing be one of the solutions. Aakruti shared her experiences related to her unique dissertation topic. Prof. Neha Korde participated in discussion during the question and answer session.

6.25 pm: Vote of Thanks by Jahnavi Joshi.

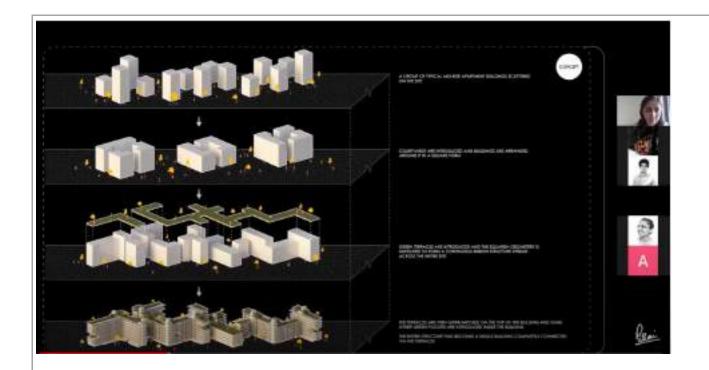
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Date: March 04, 2021 05.0 PM India

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Webinar Snapshots:



Somesh Mhatre presenting his thesis



Aakruti Vaidya presenting her thesis



Question & answer session

Communication Reference:

Webinar Invite: (shared on social media)



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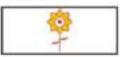
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1 message

Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>

To: Somesh Mhatre <someshmhatre@gmail.com>

Wed, Mar 31, 2021 at 11:35 PM

Dear Somesh Mhatre.

Thank you for presenting the impressive journey of your fifth year Design Dissertation in PiCA Thesis Forum 2021 - Session-9 held on 04th March 2021.

We hope that you will keep in touch with the institution and the alumni association of PiCA.

We wish you the best for all your future endeavors.

Warm Regards, Kavita Pradhan Associate Professor | PiCA, New Panvel.

B.Arch. University of Mumbai. | M.Arch. (Architecture) Virginia Tech USA.

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Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>

To: VAIDYA AAKRUTI <vaidyaaa15pa@student.mes.ac.in>

Wed, Mar 31, 2021 at 11:36 PM

Dear Aakruti Vaidya,

Thank you for presenting the impressive journey of your fifth year Design Dissertation in PiCA Thesis Forum 2021 - Session-9 held on 04th March 2021.

We hope that you will keep in touch with the institution and the alumni association of PiCA.

We wish you the best for all your future endeavors.

Warm Regards, Kavita Pradhan

Associate Professor | PiCA, New Panvel.

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PiCA Thesis Forum - Season2 | Webinar Details:

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X-PiCAns presenters:

Reuben Roy (graduated - 2018) Prachi Jatia (graduated - 2020)

Session Moderator: Ishwar Bhat and Rajalakshmi (5th year)

Webinar Minutes:

5.05 pm: Introduction by Prof. Neha Korde

5.10 pm: Presentation by Reuben Roy

Thesis Topic: One For All (Masters)

Integrated Learning centre (Bachelors)

5.30 pm: Presentation by Prachi Jatia

Thesis topic: Making the invisibles visible: Reconciliation of urban street children

5.55 pm: Question and answer session

Prof. Neha Korde made the introductory marks.

Reuben Roy presented his Bachelors' thesis work followed by his Masters'. Prachi Jatia presented her thesis project related to the issues of the street children. Both of them focussed on explaining their journey of dissertation about how they planned, made different choices and executed their projects and advised the current PiCA students.

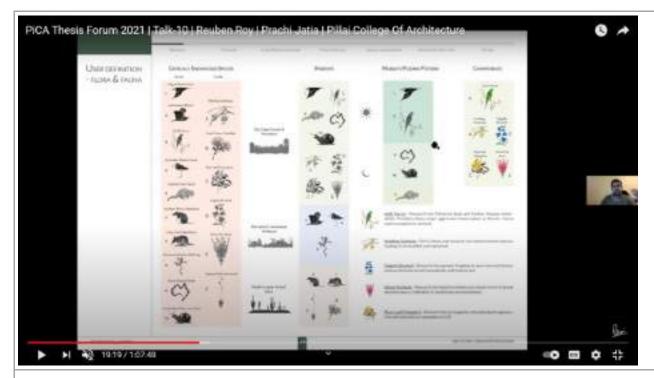
6.25 pm: Vote of Thanks by Rajalakshmi.

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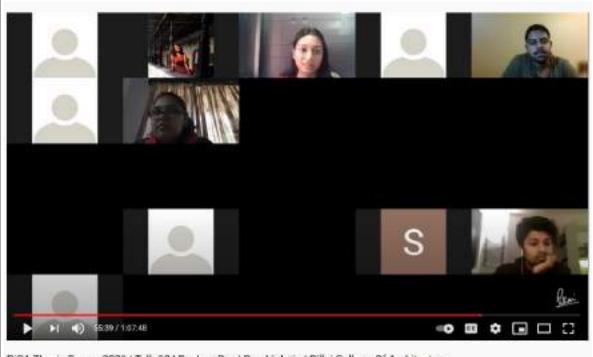
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Reuben Roy presenting his thesis



Prachi Jatia presenting her thesis



PiCA Thesis Forum 2021 | Talk-10 | Reuben Roy | Prachi Jatia | Pillai College Of Architecture

Question & answer session

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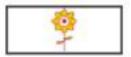
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Communication Reference:

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Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in> To: Reuben Roy <reuben.k.roy@gmail.com> Wed, Mar 31, 2021 at 11:42 PM

Dear Reuben Roy,

Thank you for presenting the impressive journey of your fifth year Design Dissertation in PiCA Thesis Forum 2021 - Session-10 held on 11th March 2021.

We hope that you will keep in touch with the institution and the alumni association of PICA.

We wish you the best for all your future endeavors.

Warm Regards.

Kavita Pradhan

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1 message

Kavita Pradhan <kavita@mes.ac.in>
To: JATIA PRACHI <jaliaps15pa@student.mes.ac.in>

Wed, Mar 31, 2021 at 11:43 PM

Dear Prachi Jatia,

Thank you for presenting the impressive journey of your fifth year Design Dissertation in PiCA Thesis Forum 2021 - Session-10 held on 11th March 2021.

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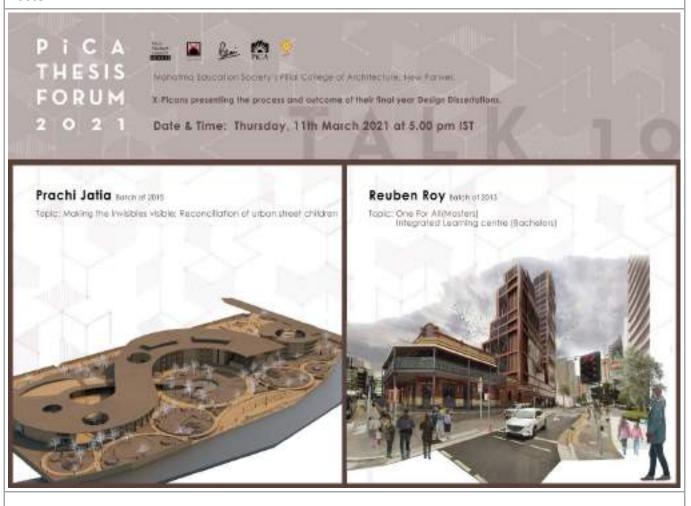
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PiCA Thesis Forum - Season2 | Webinar Details:

 Session No: 4 - Talk 11
 Date: 18/03/2021
 Time: 5.00 pm -6.30 pm
 Venue: Zoom

Attendees: PiCA students, faculty and other college students

Number of attendees: 50+ on zoom & 130+ Youtube views

X-PiCAns presenters:

Zaid Mukadam (graduated - 2020) **Goran Ojha** (graduated - 2020)

Session Moderator: Tamanna Parwani and Sneha Nair (5th year)

Webinar Minutes:

5.05 pm: Introduction by Prof. Kavita Pradhan

5.15 pm: Presentation by Zaid Mukadam

Thesis Topic: The Panacea: Acute Care Centre

5.30 pm: Presentation by Goran Ojha

Thesis Topic: Academy & Food-Yard for Urban Agriculture

5.55 pm: Question and answer session

Prof. Kavita Pradhan welcomed everyone in her introductory speech.

Zaid's presentation of his hospital dissertation was really impressive. Goran presented his work that involved modern urban agriculture techniques like aquaponics.

These two very technical designs that were well handled by the presenters. During the question and answer session, we discussed the process of dissertation being a continuous one and needs constant research, modifications as students understand the needs of the users better and further develop the program accordingly.

6.10 pm: Vote of Thanks by Sneha Nair.

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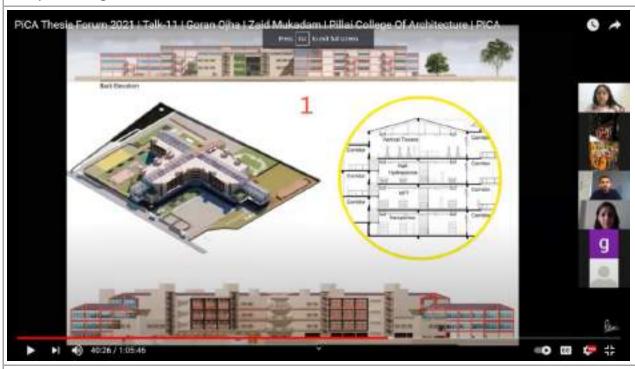
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Webinar Snapshots:



Zaid presenting his thesis



Goran Ojha presenting his thesis



Question & answer session

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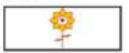


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1 message

Kavita Pradhan kavita@mes.ac.in
To: MUKADAM ZAID mukadamzm15pa@student.mes.ac.in

Wed. Mar 31, 2021 at 11:45 PM

Dear Zaid Mukadam.

Thank you for presenting the impressive journey of your fifth year Design Dissertation in PiCA Thesis Forum 2021 - Session-11 held on 18th March 2021.

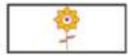
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To: OJHA GORAN <ojhagr15pa@student.mes.ac.in>

Wed, Mar 31, 2021 at 11:46 PM

Dear Goran Ojha,

Thank you for presenting the impressive journey of your fifth year Design Dissertation in PiCA Thesis Forum 2021 - Session-11 held on 18th March 2021.

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PiCA Thesis Forum - Season2 | Webinar Details:

Session No: 5 -Talk-12 | **Date:** 25/03/2021 | **Time:** 5.00 pm -6.30 pm | **Venue:** Zoom

Attendees: PiCA students, faculty and other college students

Number of attendees: 80+ on Zoom & Youtube Views: 300+

X-PiCAns presenters:

1. Anusha Bhube (graduated- 2020)

- 2. Priyanka Tiwari (graduated 2020)
- 3. Tanisha Sani (graduated 2020)

Session Moderator: Dolly Gada & Sakshi Doshi

Webinar Minutes:

5.00 pm: Opening remarks by **Prof. Neha Korde**

5.05 pm: Presentation by Anusha Bhube

Thesis Topic: Progressive Student Support Centre

5.25 pm: Presentation by **Privanka Tiwari**

Thesis Topic: Interpretation Centre at Alibaug

5.50 pm: Presentation by Tanisha Sani

Thesis Topic: GARDEN OF RESURGENCE – Pakke Seijosa, Arunachal Pradesh Revival of identity and upliftment by means of Rural development programs and Eco-tourism

6.15 pm: Question and answer session

All three presentations were admirable and had details of ARD (Architectural representation and drawings). During the discussion, Prof. Kavita Sawant raised an important question about when the students actually started working on their ARD in their process of working on DD. The impressive presentations and quantum of work were appreciated by faculty members.

6.35 pm: Vote of Thanks by Kavita Pradhan for all the hard work that the student organizing team had put in and student council had supported the sessions of this Season-2 of PiCA Thesis Forum.

Webinar recording link:

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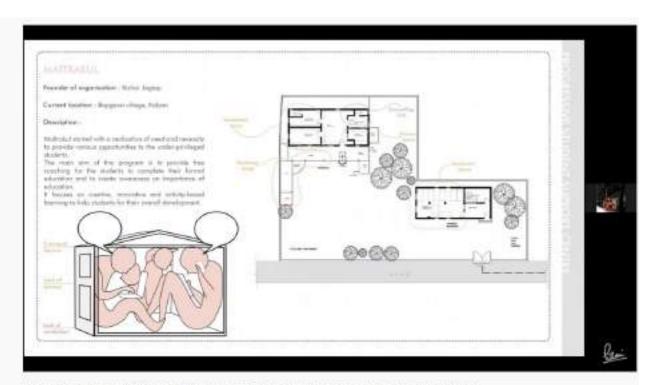
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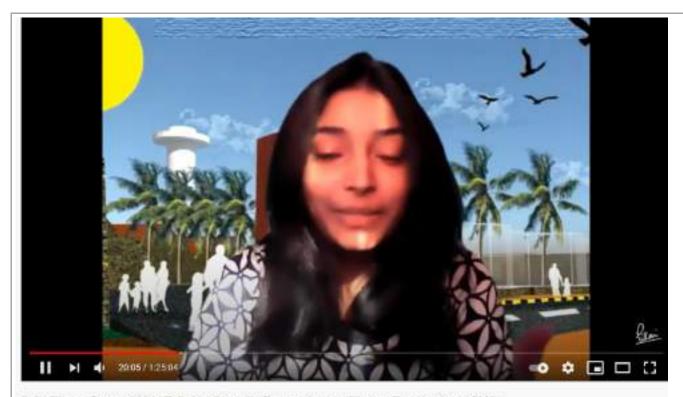
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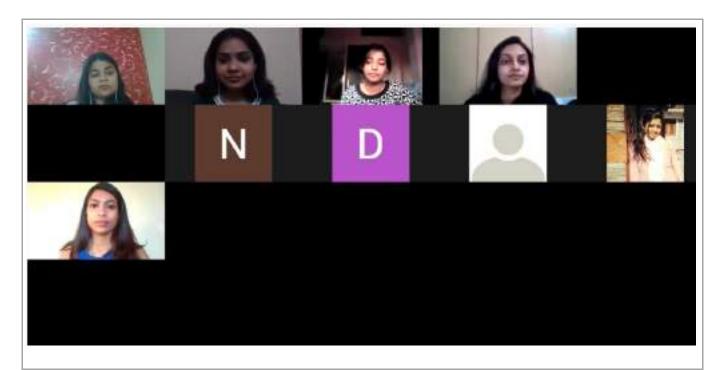


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Question & answer session

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Dear Anusha Shube.

Thank you for presenting the impressive journey of your fifth year Design Dissertation in PiCA Thesis Forum 2021 - Session-12 held on 25th March 2021

We hope that you will keep in touch with the institution and the alumni association of PiCA.

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Warm Regards

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Dear Privanka Tiwari.

Thank you for presenting the impressive journey of your fifth year Design Dissertation in PICA Thesis Forum 2021 - Session-12 held on 25th March 2021.

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Kavita Pradhan -searta@mes at itr-To: SANI TANISHA -seartTSpa@student.mes at itr-

Dear Tanaha Sani,

Thank you for presenting the impressive journey of your fifth year Design Dissertation in PICA Thesis Forum 2021 - Session-12 held on 20th March 2021

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Warm Regards

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M.E.S. PILLAI COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE, New Panvel **PiCA Thesis Forum** Session: 2022-23 Year: 5th **Subject: Design Dissertation** No. of students Time: Venue: 45 5th year studio 09:30 am - 12:00 pm

Faculty	Coordinator: Prof. Ajita Deodhar Attendees: Faculty members of PiCA
Speakers invited	Abhishek Hegde (Graduation year – 2022) Mugdha Dhavle (Graduation year – 2022)

PiCA Thesis Forum is a lecture series where X-PiCAns present the process and outcome of their final-year Design Dissertations. It offers a platform for Design Dissertation discussions and the exchange of ideas between our students, faculty, and alumni.

Date:

10.03.2023

Prof. Ajita welcomed the speakers. As the session was arranged in the last phase of the dissertation and thus speakers were informed to focus on the segments of their thesis related to the final presentation. Both of them had distinct foci of discussion to cover design aspects as well as technical parts. Abhishek mainly talked about formulating the entire thesis, what should be the focal points, and how to represent their drawings in panels. He even talked about dos and don'ts to be followed during the jury. Mugdha focused on ARD and technical aspects by showing her thesis drawings and the level of detail expected in the final jury. She emphasized how making one's own details are important as per their individual design.

They then explained the importance of test prints, and the required level of rendering in final panels, 3D views, etc. They shared their own experiences with the final jury. They also discussed how one can verbally present their work in the final jury. In the last part of the session, students asked many queries and all were solved by Abhishek and Mugdha very resourcefully. Prof. Ajita thanked both speakers and appreciated their time and efforts taken for the presentation. The session was really helpful for students.





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PRADNYA GHARAT MEMORIAL AWARD

(Best graduating student award)

The 'Pradnya Gharat' Memorial Award 'is an yearly award instituted from 2018 by the Batch of 1996, in the fond memory of their classmate Late Ms Pradnya Gharat. The Award consists of a cash prize of ₹ 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand Only) along with a rotating trophy and certificate, which will be given away by the family member of Pradnya Gharat.

Sustainable architecture is a critical component in a well-rounded architectural education. Climate and resources is the level playing field - no matter how rich or poor, tall or short, pretty or ugly to the bone, if you can draw sustainable and climate responsive ideas, you can make a great social contribution to the society, the climate change and limited resources of our planet. Architecture is a great art and science of building that requires careful yet beautiful approach now more than ever.

The award seeks to encourage students to develop sustainable design excellence alongside Academic proficiency inclusive of creative, sporting, cultural and other extra- curricular activities/ development. It will primarily focus on the student's ideas and work in the direction of sustainable, climate responsive architecture and research which aid the society over the 5 years of their course.

Eligibility Criteria:

- 1. Bachelor of Architecture student of Semester 10 (FIFTH YEAR)
- 2. The student should have scored First Class(60%) or above in the last four semesters
- 3. Should attach a document/drawing suggesting how she/he has worked on sustainable ideas, climate responsive ideas with each semester.
- 4. Should not have more than 6 KTS over 9 semesters.
- 5. The student should have appeared for Final Year Thesis/ Design Dissertation.

Creative Skills:

- a. **Writing:** (research papers, articles in magazines or journals, synopsis of Thesis, Thesis book, workshops attended)
- b. **Speech:** (Presentation on the day of the review, interview, workshops attended)
- c. Photography: (Portfolio of Photographs, workshops attended)
- d. Sketching: (Portfolio of sketching, Urban Sketchers group sketches, workshops attended)
- e. **Painting:** (Paintings made, workshops attended)
- f. Model making: (physical models or pictures of the models made, workshops attended)
- g. **Software known:** (Autocad, Revit, 3DS Max, Sketch Up, Adobe Suite; certificates of courses, presentations made with the software)

h. Others

- 1. **Co- Curricular**: (If won any co-curricular activities at Intra-Inter Collegiate Events)
 - a. Sports
 - b. Cultural
- 2. **National/International Design Competitions**: (Won any of the competitions or participated, a copy of the presentation be a part of the portfolio)
- 3. Social responsibility: (Been a part of ROTARACT club, served as a leader on the students body council, NASA unit secretary, taken part in any awareness programs, taken up some developmental work in the communities or villages, been a part of drives or missions, blood donation programmes, held heritage walks, college research cell, conducted or organised seminars, volunteered for academic programs or any such activity that suggests works of social commitment and responsibility, with certification or photographs that suggest such work and authenticated by the faculty designated to record such work)

SUBMISSION:

Portfolio and Interview/ Presentation: A reduced size-A3 portfolio Landscape format presentation encompassing all the works mentioned above shall be a part of the portfolio. The jury should get to understand all the subject work taken up the student viz. Design, construction, structures, services, history, humanities, co-curricular, etc. The key focus of the portfolio would be sustainable and climate responsive research and design development which should clearly be part of the portfolio presentation.

Students under Education Loan or any Disability/ Inability: A well deserving student with peculiar problems may be considered for this)

JURY:

- 1. The Jury shall comprise of **5** members
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Future of the Award:

The main aim of the award is to motivate students who build an academic vision which aids the betterment of society in general. The contemporary need of the education is to develop sustainable design which address the resources like natural energy, light, water and building material with greater responsibility and sensibility together with the aesthetic that of the region in that particular time.

This goal is not very easy and will require a constant orientation and efforts from the faculty of design. The programs that they build for student responses with design and how at every point the key focus of sustainable development is woven into the requirement will be important. Further, how this aspect is addressed through systematic annual studies and research and thereby incorporated as innovative design responses from students will be what the Award aims to represent. This will mean a systematic programme written down by the faculty of architecture for the institution design and other study programs. It cannot be ignored that all the work must be sustainable in design and should be able to explain itself thus, which will only happen if 'requirements' are set. This award will not be static to the literature that is formed today and will be iterated further to achieve the above mentioned goals.



PRADNYA GHARAT MEMORIAL AWARD 2017 - 2018

FINAL REPORT

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The Award is to identify design excellence under the realms of Sustainable Architecture so as to encourage students to realize the importance of climate change and its derivatives and design for a better, healthier environment. Towards this initiative, parameters were formulated not only emphasizing on the 5 years of academic aptitude but also on other skill sets and activities including architecture competitions and Internship.

JURY & EVALUATION:

This is the 1st year of the award and 16 entries were received for evaluation. The Jury headed by Ar. Sangeeta Solanki, Ar. Preeti Nayak and Ar. Kaustubh Kurlekar assessed the entries based on the portfolio submitted. They observed that the students had done fairly good work while also believed that they could have done better with acquired talents. After detailed scrutiny, Gagandeep Jadhav was selected as the winner. His works stood out distinctly as his designs incorporated prevalent and innovative sustainable solutions. He was closely followed by Rueben Roy and Saniya Kharkar respectively.

S. N	CANDIDATES	KAUSTUBH KURLEKAR	PREETI NAIR NAYAK & SANGEETHA SOLANKI	TOTAL	RANK
		Total Marks /100	Total Marks /100	out of 200	
1	Gagandeep Jadhav	81.0	85.0	166	1
2	Reuben Roy	73.5	75.0	148.5	2
3	Saniya Kharkar	66.0	80.0	146	3
4	Janette Ann Varghese	46.5	60.0	106.5	4
5	Aditi	40.0	60.0	100	5
6	Krati	23.5	75.0	98.5	6
7	Saloni Mahagaokar	30.5	65.0	95.5	7
8	Rupesh	24.5	65.0	89.5	8
9	Shweta Herle	27.5	60.0	87.5	9
10	Sankash	18.5	65.0	83.5	10
11	Riddhi	19.0	60.0	79	11
12	Kishan	21.5	50.0	71.5	12
12	Nidhi	21.5	50.0	71.5	12
13	Dhruti	17.5	40.0	57.5	13

14	Sidhesh	0	disqualified (only thesis portfolio submitted)	0	15
15	Tanvi	0.0	50.0	50	14

AWARD:

On 23rd June, 2019, during, PiCA 25 festivities, our Honorable Founder Dr. Vasudevan Pillai gave the award comprising of a Cheque of Rs.25,000/- and a certificate to Gagandeep Jadhav amidst cheers and applause.

CONCLUSION:

The Award shall continue in the coming years for final year students with a hope and promise that PiCANs should and must stand tall in their craft and also evolve as socially responsible Architects.

Date: 12th February, 2019

Place: Navi Mumbai.

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PRADNYA GHARAT MEMORIAL AWARD 2018

DONATIONS

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3	19-04-2018	Unmesh Patil	1,500.00	Wire				
4	19-04-2018	Sarah Kurian	2,000.00	Wire				
5	20-04-2018	Simmy Anthony	2,000.00	Wire				
6	20-04-2018	Sahir Inamdar	1,000.00	Wire				
7	21-04-2018	Rafiq Ahmed Khatib	Suhel Deshmukh	3,000.00	Wire			
8	23-04-2018	Pranav Ashok Kumar	Smita Terwadkar	1,000.00	Wire			
9	23-04-2018	9820268000	Preeti Nair	2,000.00	Wire			
10	23-04-2018	Smita Revankar	Smita Rikhari	1,500.00	Wire			
11	25-04-2018	Shwetan Prakash Kulkarni	Sheetal Deshpande	1,000.00	Wire			
12	26-04-2018	Leena Mehar	Leena Mehar	1,000.00	Wire			
13	01-05-2018	Hitesh Bagai	Hitesh Bagai	3,000.00	Wire			
14	01-05-2018	Saumya Banerjee	Saumya Rao	1,000.00	Wire			
15	15-06-2018	Richa Rauniar	2,000.00	Wire				
16	15-06-2018	Preeti Pansare	1,000.00	Wire				
17	20-06-2018	Kiran Keluskar	2,000.00	Wire				
TOTAL 30,000.00								
	Bal	ance with Alumni Association	1	5000.00				



PRADNYA GHARAT MEMORIAL AWARD FINAL REPORT 2019



Date: 12th February, 2019

PRADNYA GHARAT MEMORIAL AWARD 2019

"Award for Excellence in Sustainable Design"

The 'Pradnya Gharat' Memorial Award 'is an award instituted by the Batch of 1996, under the aegis of Pillai College of Architecture & PiCA Alumni, in fond memory of their batchmate Late Ms. Pradnya Gharat. It is an annual award, which consists of a cash prize of ₹. 25,000, a rotating trophy and a certificate.

The world is undergoing lasting changes, with the building industry consuming roughly 40% of available material and water resources, and producing roughly 30% of the greenhouse gas emissions. Thus, Architecture, sensitive to context and environment is a critical component in a well-rounded architectural education. Climate and resources is the level playing field no matter how rich or poor, tall or short, pretty or ugly to the bone, if one could draw sustainable and climate responsive ideas, it would make a great social contribution to the society, the climate change and limited resources of our planet. Architecture is a great art and science of building that requires careful yet beautiful approach now more than ever.

AIM:

To engage and encourage students in the pursuit to establish and reinforce the topic of environmental sustainability and sensitivity to context in architecture, urbanism and regional planning, through innovation and incorporation of sustainability in Design Solutions.

OBJECTIVE:

To embrace sustainable measures and respect regional context, is a responsible approach towards the task of building, in a manner and order to protect our environment. Sustainability envelopes every aspect of design that has profound Socio-Economical, Cultural and Ecological implications and has emerged to be equal in significance to the classical problems of technique and function. Similarly, the approach of critical regionalism, successfully blends the environmental sustenance angle and applies traditional regional wisdom to design while allowing flexibility of form.

The Students of Architecture, who are designers of the 'Future'; must be encouraged and supported in this New Interpretation of Architecture using - alternative construction methods, innovative planning strategies, exploring recyclable materials, combining forces of nature, including tried and tested methods towards creating amiable and intelligent habitat.

THE AWARD:

The competition selectively recognizes and awards solutions that embrace sustainability, critical regionalism, sensitivity and innovation. The graduating students of Pillai College of Architecture, New Panvel; are eligible to enter their portfolios for this award. Any two design projects from their 3rd year to 5th year, which holistically represent the design process,

technical detailing and embody the concepts of environmental sustenance and critical regionalism will be assessed by a jury for this award.

ELIGIBILITY:

- Graduating Students of Pillai College of Architecture, New Panvel, who have appeared for their design dissertation / thesis.
- The submitted projects/ portfolio must be part of a submitted supervised coursework, having taken place during the academic course in Bachelor of Architecture.

JURY:

- The Jury shall comprise **5** members:
 - o The Principal of the College with Student-Alumni Faculty-Awards Co-ordinator / Internal Faculty
 - o 2 members of the X-PICAN Alumni Committee or nominated members by the X-PICAN body (Ex-students, ex faculty a member is one who has spent with 3 years with PICA and not within PICA).
 - o 2 members of the X-PICAN 1996 Batch to be nominated by the Batch of 1996
- The Jury shall mark the candidates on the basis of a Grading Methodology which will be decided by the think tank comprising representatives of the batch of 96,Principal and Design Chair of Pillai College of Architecture, eminent architects in professional practice.
- The total scores of all the Jury members shall be aggregated to declare the winners.
- The Jury may decide upon a number of honourable mentions.
- The Jury shall be required to substantiate their choice by the grading system as well
 as by notification, based on their choice of the Winner. If need arises the Jury may
 even Interview the Candidates, which shall be at the sole discretion of the Jury for
 that particular year.
- Should the winning candidate decline to receive the award, for whatsoever reasons
 that the candidate with the second highest marks shall be chosen as the unanimous
 winner
- There shall be NO criteria whatsoever based on Gender, Caste, Religion, Age and Nationality.
- The Institute and the faculty of Pillai College of Architecture must orient and maintain records of the students with respect to the award for all the five years and draw out a list of eligible candidates at least a month prior to the Date of the award.
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SCHEDULE:

Date of Announcement : 18th February, 2019 Final Date of Registration : 15th March 2019 Last Date of Query : 10th May, 2019 Final Date of Submission : 31st May, 2019

Evaluation : 01st June – 10th June, 2019

Declaration of Award : 15th June, 2019 (OR 1st Working day of 2019-20 Curriculum)

Award Ceremony : 15th August, 2019 (OR PiCA Alumni Day)

SUBMISSION FORMAT:

Portfolio and Interview/ Presentation:

A maximum of 8 slides, A3 size portfolio, Landscape format, presentation comprising:

- Any 2 Design projects from the 3rd year onwards that fulfils the criteria of environmental sustenance, critical regionalism, and sensitivity as described in this note
- Any research paper or assistance in research done by the student, in the form of a synopsis of not more than 150 words along with a referral from the main author of the paper (in case of assistance) will get extra credit.
- An introduction to the portfolio, explaining the relevant coursework and the measures employed by the student towards the aforementioned objectives and methodology of respective design in a brief written abstract which could include graphics.

The key focus of the portfolio would be environmental sustainability and critical regionalism. Responsive research and design development should clearly be part of the portfolio presentation.

JUDGING CRITERIA: 100 marks

ABSTRACT ON METHODOLOGY- 10 marks

Preamble to design describing the fundamentals principles adhered resonating the ethos of sustainability. Not to exceed 200 words.

DESIGN DEVELOPMENT – 15 marks

- Relevance to context, local and regional for eg materials, scale, geological forms, social relevance etc
- Research on regional traditional methods of construction.
- Possible methods and innovative application of these methods explained through sketches or graphics.
- Concept drawings.

UNDERSTANDING OF SITE - 15 marks

- How the development of the site responds to its ecological context, including the watershed, and air and water quality at different scales from local to regional level
- How the development of the site and buildings contribute to environmental quality
- How the proposed design protects or creates on-site ecosystems
- How the proposed design responds to local development density or conditions
- Percentage of the site area designed to support vegetation (landscape or green roof)
- Percentage of site area supporting vegetation before project began
- Interpretive information, Diagrams or sketches substantiating the above.

DESIGN – 40 marks

BIOCLIMATIC DESIGN

- o Project response to local climate, sun path, prevailing breezes, soil, hydrology, and seasonal and daily cycles through passive design strategies
- Design strategies that reduce/eliminate the need for non-renewable energy resources
- o How these strategies specifically shaped the plan, section, and massing
- How these strategies specifically affected project placement, orientation, and shading
- Presentation Graphic that illustrates bioclimatic design strategies; Building section, or other appropriate diagram/ sketches that demonstrates bioclimatic strategies.

NATURAL LIGHT, AIR AND WATER

- o Design strategies for daylighting, task lighting, and views
- o Design strategies for ventilation, indoor air quality, and personal control systems
- o Design strategies for rain water harvesting at site level and urban level.
- o How building and site design strategies manage site water and drainage
- o Design strategies that capitalize on renewable water sources (i.e. precipitation) on site
- o Water-conserving landscape and building design strategies
- o Reuse strategies for water including use of rainwater, graywater, and wastewater
- o How the project's design enhances users' connectedness to nature
- o Design approach to integration of natural systems and appropriate technology
- o Presentation Graphic: Model photos, drawings, sketches or diagrams explaining said strategies.

MATERIALS & CONSTRUCTION

- o Efforts to maximize use of locally sourced material and local construction techniques.
- Materials selection criteria, considerations, and constraints for: optimizing health, durability, maintenance, and energy use reducing the impacts of extraction, manufacturing, and transportation
- o Enclosure performance in relation to air, moisture, water and thermal characteristics
- o Consideration of life cycle impacts and results on materials.
- o Construction waste reduction plans; strategies to promote recycling during occupancy

IDENTITY & CRITICAL REGIONALISM – 10 marks

Projects that deal sensitively and innovatively with heritage and tradition; that embody cultural sensitivity and contextual interpretation; that consider appropriation and repurposing of use; and that attempt to translate traditional ways of building/occupying space into modern and contemporary contexts.

EMERGING VOICES – 05 marks

Design, Technique, Technology that hold promise as a 'never-occurred before' sustainable method and solution.

CRITICAL DIALOGUE - 05 marks

Designs debating and substituting prevailing, proven approaches with more Enviro-friendly solution.

FUTURE OF THE AWARD:

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This award will not be static to the literature that is formed today and will be iterated further to achieve the above mentioned goals. Certain ideas like roping in offices that have dedicated their work to sustainable design to review works and teaching pedagogy over the years may be established and also winning students would get an opportunity to work for a year at an office.

THE END



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FINAL REPORT

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The Award, in its 2nd Year, once again aimed to identify excellence in design under the vertical of Sustainable Architecture so as to encourage students to realize the importance and impact of climate change and design for a better, healthier and sustainable environment.

JURY & EVALUATION:

A total 13 entries were received for evaluation. The Jury headed by our Honourable Principal Dr. Sudnya Mahimkar supported by Ar. Ajay Nayak, Ar. Kiran Keluskar, Ar. Rakhee Bhasin and Ar. Prachi Sawant reviewed and assessed the entries based on the portfolio submitted. They observed that the students had done commendable work and were worthy of the applaud they received and wished each one of them great success in their endeavours. Nevertheless, the esteemed Jurors also felt a distinct need for improvement under the current times and challenges faced globally.

THE WINNERS:

After rigourous weeks of evaluation, the Jurors declared Ms. Anushka Shahadapuri as the Winner and Recipient of Pradnya Gharat Memorial Award for 2019, Ms. Neethi Acharya as 1st Runner-Up and Mr. Huzefa Bandukwala as 2nd Runner-Up. The Award comprising of a Trophy, Cheque of Rs.25,000/- and a certificate was handed over to Ms. Anushka Shahadadpuri by the Honourable Principal of PiCA, Dr. Sudnya Mahimkar. The Certificates were given away by our batch mate Ar. Mahesh Naik.

JURY COMMENTS:

ANUSHKA SHAHDAPURI: WINNER

The Urban scale project had great focus on designing and sustainability with Strong storyline, argument and hypothesis. It also exhibited a well-considered strategy integrating in the urban context alongside a bundle of urban theories that raise some interesting dialogues between the built city and the kinetic interfaces of realities. While the emergent Architecture, becomes a prop for engagements, the



manifestation doesn't climatically or materialistically meet the eye. The design could build a profile to match World Architecture.

NEETHI ACHARYA: 1ST RUNNER-UP



The Design was meticulously developed considering the definitive climatic conditions along with acute thought to form, functionality, in tandem with local architecture and materials. A significant example of sustainable design. It has incorporated after specifically weighing Architecture & Urban, Scales and factors. The aesthetics equally needs to be given more attention.

HUZEFA BANDUKWALA: 2ND R*UNNER-UP*

Trending concepts that are building the livelihoods, organic and built environment dialogues are brought together with a strong design process and construction detailing. Architecture of possibilities is generated leaving the eye looking for more, however could have worked greatly on the Architectonic. More emphasis expected on the Sustainable Design approach.



	PRADNYA GHARAT MEMORIAL AWARD 2019											
	JU	RY EVALU	ATION	SUMM	ARY	I	1	I				
	JURORS (INITIALS)	S.M	R.B	P.S	A.N	к.к	BONUS	TOTAL				
			MAXIM	IUM M	ARKS		2					
S.N	CANDIDATES	100	100	100	100	100		500				
1	ANUSHKA SHAHADAPURI	84	84	72	80	72	2	394				
2	NEETHI ACHARYA	69	84	68	70	65	2	358				
3	HUZEFA BANDUKWALA	66	82	60	76	65	2	351				
4	AISHWARYA PRADHAN	73	77	48	85	59	0	342				
5	CHAITALI CHAUDHARI	74	71	63	70	59	2	339				
6	SIDDHESH BHANDARI	79	82	60	61	47	2	331				
7	KUNAL JAIN	64	77	63	66	44	2	316				
8	JANHAVI KORDE	73	80	52	58	47	2	312				
9	BAHAR DEWAN	59	75	55	61	56	0	306				
10	ANUJA JAGDALE	63	79	53	56	44	2	297				
11	KASTURI SALVI	64	77	47	60	42	2	292				
12	MONICA KOTARIYA	61	70	44	68	44	2	289				
13	SHUBHADA DUDHANE	70	83	37	53	35	2	280				

(Bonus Points: 2 Marks were given to Students who submitted within the 1st Deadline.)

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CONCLUSION:

The Jury recommended that the Award invite a singular project under the critical review of the brief of Sustainability and Regionalism; which the Organizers have taken into serious consideration for the Year 2020.

Date: 25th February, 2020 Place: Navi Mumbai.

THE END



PRADNYA GHARAT MEMORIAL AWARD 2019

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16	06-06-2019	Mahesh Mehar	Leena	1,000.00	Wire
17	13-06-2019	Swapna Bandekar	Swapna	1,000.00	Wire
18	29-11-2019	Richa Rauniar	Richa	1,000.00	Wire
		TOTAL		51,500.00	



PRADNYA GHARAT MEMORIAL AWARD FINAL REPORT 2020



Date: 01st February, 2021

PRADNYA GHARAT MEMORIAL AWARD 2020

'Best Design Dissertation on Environment Sustainability'

The 'Pradnya Gharat' Memorial Award 'is an award instituted by the Pillai College of Architecture & PiCA Alumni Association, in fond memory of their Alumnus Late Ms. Pradnya Gharat. It is an annual award, which consists of a cash prize of ₹. 25,000, a trophy and a certificate.

THE AWARD:

The Award focuses on Designs which are Sensitive, respectful of the context, its inhabitants and the environment it is set in, at the same time, bringing forth innovations into architectural realm are the necessity of the hour. In order to encourage such design thinking the batch of 1996 (PiCA) would like to recognise and reward the best design dissertation presented in the ongoing academic year.

AIM:

To engage and encourage students in the pursuit to establish and reinforce intelligent design, sustainability and sensitivity to context in architecture, urbanism and regional planning, through innovation and incorporation of sustainable Design Solutions.

OBJECTIVE:

To embrace sustainable measures and respect regional context, is a responsible approach towards the task of building and necessary to protect our environment using design intelligence as a tool. Sustainability envelopes every aspect of design that has profound Socio-Economical, Cultural and Ecological implications and has emerged to be equal in significance to the classical problems of technique and function. Similarly, the approach of critical regionalism, successfully blends the environmental sustenance angle and applies traditional regional wisdom to design while allowing flexibility of form.

The Students of Architecture, who are designers of the 'Future'; must be encouraged and supported in this sensitive interpretation of Architecture using - innovative planning strategies, exploring materials, combining forces of nature, using technology, using history including tried and tested methods towards creating amiable and intelligent spaces.

ELIGIBILITY:

- Students of Pillai College of Architecture, New Panvel, who have submitted/ appeared for their design dissertation / thesis in the year 2020
- The Final Year Design Dissertation submitted shall be the project considered for the Award.

• The Final Design Dissertation should holistically represent the design process, technical detailing and embody the concepts of environmental sustenance and critical regionalism with sufficient data, statistics and models rationalizing the design.

JURY:

- The jury will be decided by the Batch of 1996.
- Compulsory members include the chairperson of the alumni association, a member from the batch of 1996 and a representative from the alumni body.
- In addition to these the batch of 1996 can invite eminent practitioners or notable members from academia to be part of the jury.
- If need arises the Jury may even Interview the Candidates, which shall be at the sole discretion of the Jury for that particular year.
- Should the winning candidate decline to receive the award, for whatsoever reasons, then the candidate with the second highest marks shall be chosen as the unanimous winner.
- There shall be NO criteria whatsoever based on Gender, Caste, Religion, Age and Nationality.

CALL FOR ENTRIES:

All students of the final year who have appeared for Design Dissertation in the year 2020, can submit their entries along with a 300 word synopsis from (date) to (date)

SCHEDULE:

Date of Announcement : 05th February, 2021 Final Date of Registration : 15st February, 2021 Last Date of Query : 12th February, 2021 Final Date of Submission : 19th March, 2021

Jury Evaluation : 21st March – 06th April, 2021
Declaration of Award : 01 week before Convocation
Award Ceremony : Convocation Day, 2021

SUBMISSION FORMAT:

Portfolio and Interview/ Presentation:

- Note of Intent : (not exceeding 500 words)
 - o What Sustainability means to you?
 - o How has Sustainability been integrated in the design?
- The digital Presentation shall include:
 - o Slides Plan, Section, Elevation (Total 5 Nos)
 - o 3D Walkthroughs (Nos. 02)
 - o Images of simulation/ model (Nos. 02)
 - o Applicant's Self Video (not exceeding 05 minutes) with explanation of the Design Dissertation.
 - o If deemed necessary, the jury may interview the candidates with prior notice of a week on an online platform. If any student cannot make it to the same, without notice or without a valid reason, it should be understood that the marks for that round would be forfeited.

- o The presentation shall be uploaded and shared on Google Drive to pradnyagharatmemorialaward@gmail.com. Please do mention your Full Name and Mobile Number.
- o Candidates can revise and reload their presentations on or before 1700 hrs on 31st January, 2020.

Should there be any queries, kindly email to pradnyagharatmemorialaward@gmail.com. Please do mention your Full Name and Mobile Number.

JUDGING CRITERIA: 100 marks

Submissions will be judged on the following parameters. This is considering the submissions asked for, from the students and the ethos of the award.

NOTE OF INTENT (500 WORDS) - 10 marks

Summary of design, reflecting ideologies and methodology employed. Also, a pitch was asked to be made by the students as to why the design is best suited to win the award. This was a critical component of the evaluation this time and we leave it to the jury's discretion whether they would want to accept submissions without this note.

RESEARCH AND DESIGN DEVELOPMENT – 10 marks

- Research methods employed to arrive at design decisions.
- Research aiding methods of construction, traditional or innovative, based on ideology of the design.
- Suitable case studies, analysis and inferences
- Graphical presentation of the inferences from research.
- Applications of inferences to design. Concepts and conceptual development of design.

UNDERSTANDING OF SITE AND CONTEXT – 10 marks

- Understanding of the ecological context, including the watershed, and air and water quality at different scales from local to regional level.
- Understanding of the social context.
- Understanding of on-site eco systems and conceptual impact assessment of the built form over the larger area.
- Response of the design to local development density or conditions or norms.
- Interpretive information, Diagrams or sketches substantiating the above.

DESIGN EVALUATION - 60 marks

As was clarified at the outset, the intent of this award is to encourage design thinking and application that respects the context and environment, and betters the world we live in using design as a tool. Towards this aim, we have set aside an exclusive evaluation consideration of 20 marks for strategies aiding environmental sustenance.

The parameters for evaluation proposed are as follows:

- Suitability of the design to the brief -10 marks
- Functionality of the design solution -10 marks
- Innovation and originality of the design solution including but not limited to establishing identity of place and critical regionalism -10 marks

Form and Materiality – 10 marks

• Environmental considerations -20 marks

EMERGING VOICES - 05 marks

Portfolios that hold promise either as a 'never-occurred before' solution to the issues of environment and society or due to sheer intelligence of the design.

CRITICAL DIALOGUE – 05 marks

Designs and methodologies that debate, analyse and form an argument for an enhanced approach leading to solutions that are more sensitive to the environment, lead the dialogue towards inclusive design and look at design as a tool for social upgradation. The jury are requested to attach a note supporting the marking especially for the last two criteria in the remarks and comments section. This will be valuable feedback for the students as well as for us in terms of setting criteria for the future editions of this award.

FUTURE OF THE AWARD:

The main aim of the award is to motivate students who build an academic vision which aids the betterment of society in general. The contemporary need of the education is to develop sustainable design which address the resources like natural energy, light, water and building material with greater responsibility and sensibility together with the aesthetic that of the region in that particular time.

This goal is not very easy and will require a constant orientation and efforts from the faculty of design. The programs that they build for student responses with design and how at every point the key focus of sustainable development is woven into the requirement will be important. Further, how this aspect is addressed through systematic annual studies and research and thereby incorporated as innovative design responses from students will be what the Award aims to represent. This will mean a systematic programme written down by the faculty of architecture for the institution design and other study programs. It cannot be ignored that all the work must be sustainable in design and should be able to explain itself thus, which will only happen if 'requirements' are set.

This award will not be static to the literature that is formed today and will be iterated further to achieve the above mentioned goals. Certain ideas like roping in offices that have dedicated their work to sustainable design to review works and teaching pedagogy over the years may be established and also winning students would get an opportunity to work for a year at an office.

THE END



PRADNYA GHARAT MEMORIAL AWARD 2019-2020

FINAL REPORT

The Pradnya Gharat Memorial Award for Excellence in Sustainable Design for Final Year students is an award instituted by the Batch of 1996, under the aegis of X-PiCAN Alumni Association and Pillai College of Architecture, in memory of their classmate Late. Ar. Pradnya Gharat, whom fate took away unfortunately too soon. A kind soul as she was known to many, the batch of '96 realized it would be a befitting tribute, in memoriam.

The Award, in its 3rd Year, once again aimed to identify excellence in the Final Year Design Dissertation under the vertical of Sustainable Architecture so as to encourage students to realize the importance and impact of climate change and design for a better, healthier and sustainable environment.

JURY & EVALUATION:

A total 19 entries were received for evaluation. The Honourable Jury Members were Ar. Ritu Deshmukh, Ar. Richa Rauniar, Ar. Preeti Pansare, Ar. Amit Arya and Ar. Sachin Mulay who reviewed and assessed the entries based on the digital portfolio and videos submitted.

THE WINNERS:

After arduous weeks of evaluation, the Jurors declared Mr. Tuvneet Singh Kumar as the Winner and Recipient of Pradnya Gharat Memorial Award for 2020. Mr. Somesh Kiran Mhatre was adjudged as 1st Runner-Up and Mr. Zaid Murad Mukadam as 2nd Runner-Up. The Award comprising of a Trophy, Cheque of Rs. 25,000/- and a certificate was handed over to Mr. Tuvneet Singh Kumar by Honourable Principal of PiCA, Dr. Sudnya Mahimkar.

TUVNEET SINGH KUMAR: WINNER

Comprehensive research, heart-warming presentation and Excellent effort. An extremely important and mature Thesis choice which in itself is a very challenging subject matter but dealt with optimism, entrepreneurial zeal, socio/economic understanding and a sensitivity to the community. All these factors have been well incorporated and are highly appreciated. The choices are more about what is appropriate and needed and this is too reflected in the final design of the thesis. The final manifestation of such Architectural projects have to be looked through a different lens- big, large, beautiful and sophisticated. Aesthetically driven architecture



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is usually not the concluding point of such endeavours. Infact, the choices are more about what is appropriate and needed which is dominantly reflected in the design. At the micro-level, the housing typologies could do better with respect to the traditional 'live and work' models that are observed in occupation based neighbourhoods.

SOMESH KIRAN MHATRE: 1ST RUNNER-UP



Excellent thesis, great design, practical and effective representation and highly pertinent design topic. The proposal presents a decent attempt at improving the living spaces, the congregational & shared amenities are relatively better designed however the basic individual living unit needs much deeper thinking. Besides, one of the major reasons behind the degraded quality of living spaces in big cities is the 'density'; that aspect is not effectively addressed in the design proposal.

ZAID MURAD MUKADAM: 2ND RUNNER-UP

Good presentation, very systematic approach and good thinking process which has culminated in a very urban inspired architectural language. The efficiency of planning - Important for healthcare projects - is to the mark. The ambition / simplicity of the architecture is keeping in mind the context in which the building is sited. Although, the topic tends to get largely dictated by the healthcare planning standards, the architectural exploration looks considerably successful in terms



of understanding the complex program allocations and adjacencies. However, it just lacks contextualization and a human touch to the spaces in the hospital.

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							500	
1	Tuvneet Singh Kumar	67.50	71.00	81.00	58.00	69.00	346.50	69.30
2	Somesh Kiran Mhatre	68.00	67.00	80.00	60.00	70.00	345.00	69.00
3	Zaid Murad Mukadam	68.50	74.00	67.00	63.00	69.50	342.00	68.40
4	Madhura Bapu Kadam	70.00	80.00	67.00	51.00	72.00	340.00	68.00
5	Mohammed Imran Dastagir	71.50	60.00	76.00	57.00	71.00	335.50	67.10
6	Purva Yatindra Borkat	78.50	62.00	63.00	50.00	74.50	328.00	65.60
7	Aakruti Anil Vaidya	64.50	87.00	68.00	41.00	65.00	325.50	65.10
8	Goran Rajesh Ojha	67.00	64.00	65.00	50.00	68.50	314.50	62.90
9	Prachi Jatia	72.00	62.00	65.00	41.00	73.50	313.50	62.70
10	Anusha Manoj Bhube	60.00	84.00	66.00	38.00	65.00	313.00	62.60
11	Deepshikha Sandeep Apte	68.50	60.00	58.00	50.00	67.00	303.50	60.70
12	Savina Sarvothama Shetty	70.00	54.00	67.00	43.00	68.00	302.00	60.40

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13	Tanisha Tarun Sani	63.00	69.00	67.00	37.00	64.00	300.00	60.00
14	Neha Deepak Murkute	67.50	52.00	66.00	47.00	67.00	299.50	59.90
15	Aditi Sunder Nair	65.50	73.00	62.00	31.00	66.00	297.50	59.50
16	Sanchita Vijay Wandhare	63.00	57.00	61.00	45.00	64.00	290.00	58.00
17	Priyanka Tiwari	72.00	57.00	37.00	46.00	72.50	284.50	56.90
18	Sai Dinkar Uphad	57.50	60.00	54.00	37.00	63.00	271.50	54.30
19	Excel Fernandez	62.50	54.00	42.00	42.00	62.50	263.00	52.60

JURY COMMENTS:

The Jury distinctly appreciated the hard work and conscientious efforts put in by the students. The research and analytics were of commendable depth and objectivity. Some of the students have conducted extremely good case studies and applied interesting learnings into their design development process. Some of the projects were of a very small scale, which turned out to be a



challenge to judge under the same parameters as the other projects which were more Urban Scale oriented. In many cases, substantial research based statistics were adopted from reference books / articles; wherein it would have been highly recommended if the students had included the source of such data as 'Reference/ Acknowledgement' to address the authenticity of information as much as utilized such intelligence in reflection to their own understanding rather than a subjective inclusion and inference.

There was a strong drift towards form-based design rather than definitive spatial planning. While also, the preassigned requirement of 'a large thesis' project would have resulted in the students donning a superfluous task to design, in some cases acres and acres of programmed space, making the efforts all-encompassing yet not deep in knowledge. It would have been commendable, when the effort was focused on an appropriate scale for the problem. The design process, which should be full of iterations and possibilities, seemed to lack rigour and a open platform for constant testing of ideas. The conceptual understanding of 'critical regionalism' and 'context' had definitive disdain for the contemporary, while the natural process of 'Change', including mistakes, is imminent which should have been accounted for and dealt through empathy and innovation while responding to the context.

CONCLUSION:

The award has improved in participation and objective with paramount emphasis of Sustainability yet demands improvement under the pandemic wave. The Jury urges students to adopt Urban Challenges within our mega-cities as part of their choice of Thesis topic as reinventing Cities and its lifestyles could be the next harbinger of change.

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