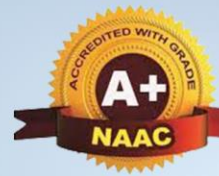




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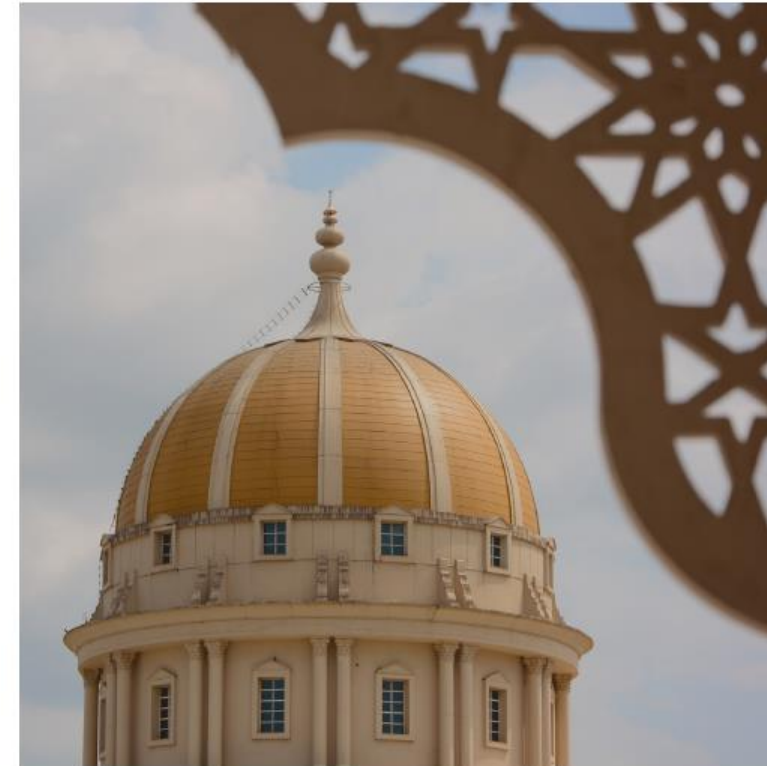
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EDITORIAL

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ABOUT THE NEWSLETTER

Architecture is a profession that has no limits. The word “Architecture” comes from Latin that means ‘chief creator’ in a literal sense. This art and science of creating a product, involves the practices of sketching and conceiving an idea, and later, articulating these ideas through the means of planning and design to construct innumerable kind of structures. These structures are often perceived as symbols which are a complex reflection of culture, history, sometimes literature, psychological and physiological aspects of a human life.

This form of art that includes not only the practical but also the aesthetic and dimensions of utility, initially began as rural and vernacular architecture. This then developed into what we see today as modern contemporary architecture. The fine amalgamation of the vernacular and modern can be seen in this campus.

This book maps a wholistic journey of this school of 10+ years from first batch onwards, the extraordinary moments, achievements of students, alumni and faculties, students’ works and their experiences reflecting the learning environment that is needed for this design profession in order to explore the newer skies.

INTRODUCTION

School of Architecture & Design (SA&D) is not a department, but a family of architects and architects in-making that focuses on exploring and learning extensively about the profession. The major objective is to encapsulate the philosophy of creating innovators, empowered with the knowledge for the creation of a dynamic world, pulsating with intellectual acuity and striving for the utopia of a prosperous biosphere for all.

The School strives to provide world-class architectural education by coupling state-of-art facilities with a dedicated and experienced faculty team and student centric academic practices.

Since 2012 the school has achieved several key milestones; six batches of bachelors program have graduated from the school, two batches of masters - M Arch, (Landscape) program have also graduated and two research scholars have been awarded with PhD.

THE BEGINNING OF SA\$D



Prof. Dr. Kuldip Singh Sangwan
Dean, Faculty of Science, Technology &
Architecture
Jan 2025- till date



Prof. Dr. Madhura Yadav
Founder Head, SA&D 2012-2015
Director, SA&D 2015-2021
Dean FoD 2021-2024
Associate Dean (I/C), FoSTA, Jan 2025- till date



Ar. Saurabh Sharma
Head In-charge, Architecture
June – 2024 till date



Head (I/C), Architecture, Manipal University Jaipur Ar. Saurabh Sharma

Ar. Saurabh Sharma joined Manipal University Jaipur in 2023 and holds a bachelor's degree in architecture from MANIT Bhopal and master's degree in architecture from IIT Roorkee. He is also pursuing his PhD in the field of reducing heat gain through roofs.

Along with being an avid academician, Ar. Saurabh has been engaged in administrative roles as the Head of Department and Dean (In charge) in his previous assignments and has also worked in academic role abroad for a period of two years.

Message from the Head (I/C), School of Architecture & Design Ar. Saurabh Sharma

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It gives me immense pride to be part of a team that brings together skilled, resourceful, and intellectually vibrant individuals in the dynamic and multidisciplinary field of Design. At the School of Architecture and Design, our vision has consistently been to deliver quality education through a thoughtfully structured pedagogy.

Throughout this journey of the undergraduate architecture program, our students are encouraged to explore diverse contexts—both urban and rural—which nurtures their ability to develop creative and meaningful solutions. This learning process is strengthened by our commitment to international and interdisciplinary collaborations. With access to state-of-the-art infrastructure and resource-rich facilities, our students are equipped to become responsible professionals, ready to contribute meaningfully to society and the nation's well-being.

The celebration of the *ten-year journey of the School of Architecture and Design* is more than just a milestone—it is a testament to the collective efforts of our faculty, students, and staff. This edition of the magazine stands as a vibrant reflection of our shared accomplishments, featuring a curated collection of student work, achievements, and memories. None of this would have been possible without the unwavering dedication of the editorial team, whose efforts have brought this publication to life. I extend my heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to the entire team. May this magazine continue to inspire and instill pride in all who are part of the SA&D family.

VISION AND MISSION

VISION

Global leadership in Sustainable Built Environment and Human Development.

MISSION

Leading globally in architectural education, inspiring visionary architects.

Empowering a Sustainable future with innovation & collaboration.
Nurturing the transformation of individuals into lifelong learners grounded in human values.

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ACHIEVEMENTS



The Manipal University Campus has been achieving several awards and recognitions every year such as 'IGBC Performance Challenge 2020 for Green Built environment-Excellence Award' under the 'Educational Institute' category In IGBC Congress, LEED INDIA- PLATINUM rating for Energy Conservation and Environment Design 2016, awarded Fourth rank in the Swachh Campus Ranking-2019 of Higher Educational Institutions under the category, Residential Universities-UGC, Manipal University Hostels has been awarded GRIHA 5 Star rating (the entire 2 Million sqft of the MUJ campus has now been awarded the highest rating in GRIHA). MUJ has become the largest campus in India to have achieved this rating for all its building, making it a campus with exceptional experiences to deliver. It has been ranked amongst top universities by several institutions such as NIRF, Career360, OutlookICare, IndiaToday, The Week etc. "Best Educational Institution – 2019" under category of Best Employer 2019 award by The Employers' Association of Rajasthan.

The School comes under the brilliant leadership of Prof. Dr. Madhura Yadav as the Dean of Faculty of Design and Prof. Dr. Sunanda Kapoor as the Head, SA&D. They have shaped and molded the entire school curriculum and other activities related to the same. The alumni that have grown under the outstanding guidance of leadership and faculties are now doing wonders in their professional lives and reaching atop in this profession of architecture.





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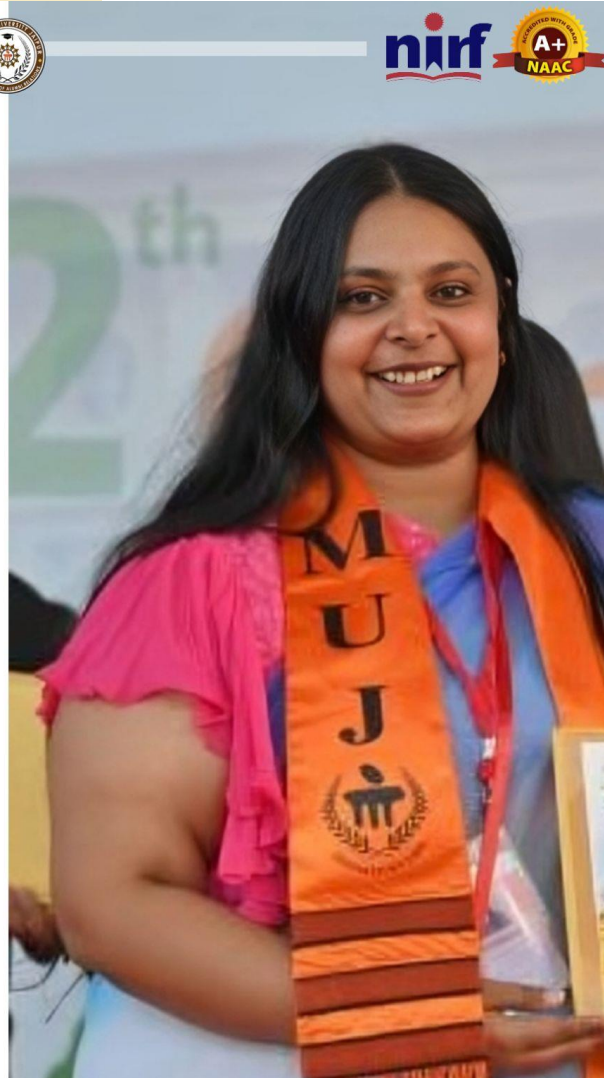


Ar. Aditi Didwania
Alumnus, B.Arch 2020-25, SA&D, MUJ

Congratulations! to our alumnus **Aditi Didwania** for getting awarded by The Indian Institute of Architects as Best Out going Students of the Year 2025.



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Congratulations, Ar. Aditi Didwania!
Alumnus, B.Arch 2020–25 | SA&D, MUJ

We are proud to share that our alumnus Aditi Didwania has been honored with the **IIA Medal for Best Outgoing Student 2025** by The Indian Institute of Architects.

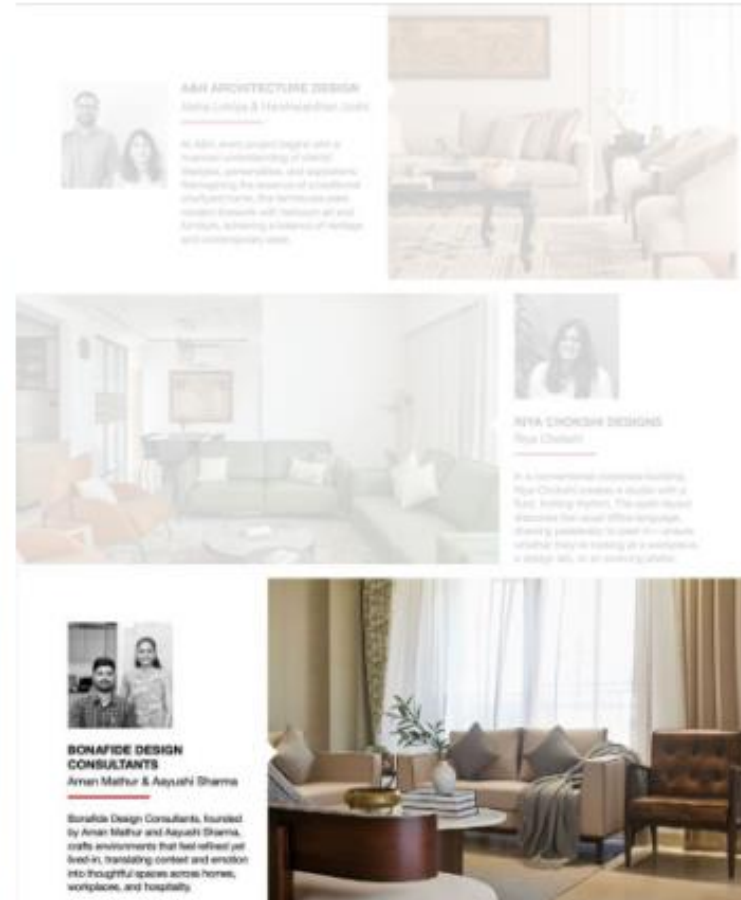
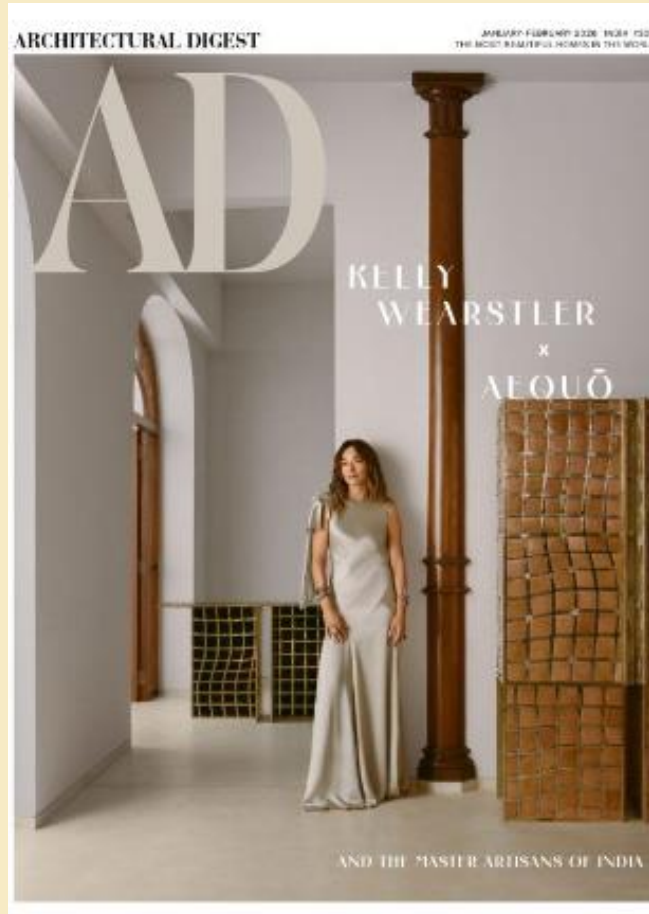
Your dedication, creativity, and pursuit of excellence make us proud. Wishing you continued success and innovation in your journey ahead!

Alumnus Achievement: Ar. Ishaan Sood

Project “The Red Cottage”, designed by our alumnus Ar. Ishaan Sood has proudly bagged the **Annual Structure Award 2025 under the Residential (Above 3,000 sq ft) category** presented by **Indian Concrete Institute (ICI) – UltraTech Cement**.

Wishing best for Ishaan to building more sensitively, sustainably, and in harmony with nature, and continuing to contribute positively to the field of architecture and construction.





Alumnus Achievement: Ar. Aayushi Sharma & Ar. Aman Mathur

SA&D is proud to announce that our power-duo alumnus studio- **Bonafide Design Consultants** featured in **Architectural Digest India — Jan-Feb 2026**

This feature is a reminder that good design is never a solo act.

We are thrilled to continue seeing their upcoming new projects with the same curiosity, rigour, and respect for context.

Big congratulations and best wishes to Ar. Aayushi Sharma and Ar. Aman Mathur

Intermediate External Review: Ar. Aparna Bhargava

Midway through the semester, our M.Arch (Landscape) students received something more valuable than a grade: perspective.

The School of Architecture & Design, MUJ, hosted an **Intermediate External Jury for 1st & 2nd Year M.Arch (Landscape) students** on 16th March 2026, with expert feedback from **Ar. Aparna Bhargava, Principal Architect, Eco Envision Design Studio, Jaipur.**

Held at a deliberate draft stage, the jury was designed to sharpen design thinking before final submissions, turning work-in-progress into work with direction.





Celebrating creativity, culture, and innovation

The **Heritage Club**, School of Architecture & Design, Manipal University Jaipur, in collaboration with DRONAH, hosted a **Poster Making Competition on National Tourism Day**.

Theme: **Sustainable & Digital Tourism**

Students explored India's rich heritage through AI-generated posters—blending technology with responsible tourism narratives.

The event fostered creative expression, peer learning, and expert insights while aligning with SDGs 4, 9, 11 & 12.

A step towards shaping designers who think sustainably and innovate digitally!

Celebrating World Plumbing Day!

On the occasion of World Plumbing Day (March 11), faculty members and students of Manipal University Jaipur actively participated in an awareness initiative highlighting the crucial role of plumbing in ensuring public health, sanitation, and sustainable water management. The event, promoted by the **Indian Plumbing Association (IPA), Jaipur Rajasthan Chapter**, emphasized the importance of skilled plumbing systems in building resilient and hygienic communities. Through discussions and knowledge sharing, participants gained insights into modern plumbing practices and their impact on environmental sustainability. The celebration reinforced the commitment of future professionals towards responsible water use and infrastructure development.





Study Visit to Dravyavati River Front, celebrating World Water Day

SA&D in collaboration with the **Indian Buildings Congress (IBC)**, organized a study visit to the Dravyavati River Front, Jaipur, on the occasion of **World Water Day**, with support from **Heritage Club, IPA–Student Chapter, IGBC–Student Chapter, and ASHRAE–MUJ Branch**.

A group of B.Arch students, accompanied by **Dr. Subhash Chandra Devrath** and **Ar. Akshay Gupta**, participated in this experiential learning initiative aimed at bridging academic knowledge with real-world applications. The visit provided valuable insights into river rejuvenation strategies, wastewater management systems, and the integration of sustainable infrastructure within urban environments.

The initiative was guided by **Shri K.C. Meena** (President, IBC Rajasthan; Chief Engineer, Rajasthan Housing Board) and **Prof. (Dr.) Madhura Yadav** (Honorary Secretary, IBC Rajasthan). Their contribution in pre-event planning, site selection, and academic guidance significantly enriched the learning experience and ensured meaningful engagement with the project.

This visit reinforced the importance of interdisciplinary collaboration and practical exposure in shaping future architects capable of addressing contemporary urban and environmental challenges.

SA&D MUJ at Aarambh 2026 | A Day of Exploration & Inspiration

We proudly participated in **Aarambh 2026**, an initiative by the **Council of Architecture (COA)**, held at the **Rajasthan International Centre, Jaipur** on 27th March 2026.

The event was graciously inaugurated by **Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister of Rajasthan, Ms. Diya Kumari**, whose presence and encouraging words set an inspiring tone for a day dedicated to creativity, learning, and the future of architecture.

Faculty members and students from SA&D MUJ actively engaged with school students, aspiring architects, parents, and professionals, offering insights into architectural education, career pathways, and the creative process.



FACULTY MEMBERS

The faculty of design, Manipal University Jaipur is dedicated to provide world class design education meeting international standards. All the faculty members have pursued their higher education from highly reputed educational institutes of India and outside. Most of them have either finished their PhDs or are enrolled. This family is now growing together and helping the architects-in-the making to foster their creativity and interests, combine it with the latest technology to create architectural marvels.

It aims to foster creativity and innovation for an intellectually satisfying learning environment as well as to establish MUJ as a globally preferred destination for students, faculty, researchers and other stakeholders. Research is also a crucial part of the academia, and the faculty members are therefore required to engage in research works. They have also presented and published their journals, articles, conference papers and books in portals approved by Scopus Index and Web of Science.

“We are committed to a learner-centred design education pedagogy whereby students are encouraged to explore and discover; experiment and take risks; ask questions and think critically; and research and test ideas in collaboration with their peers and faculty members.”

-Dean, Faculty of Design



(left) Associate Dean (I/C), School of Architecture & Design

Prof. (Dr.) Madhura Yadav

(right) Head (I/C), School of Architecture & Design,

Ar. Saurabh Sharma

FACULTY MEMBERS

Under the leadership and guidance of Prof. Dr. Madhura Yadav, Associate Dean (I/C), School of Architecture & Design and Ar. Saurabh Sharma, Head (I/C), School of Architecture & Design



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and Head
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Nayak
*Associate Professor
and Head
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Kapoor
Professor



Ar. Neha Saxena
Associate Professor



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Devrath
Associate Professor



Ar. Sanjeev
Pareekh
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Pareekh
*Assistant Professor
Selection Grade*



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Mishra
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(Senior Scale)*



Ar. Akshay Gupta
*Assistant Professor
(Senior Scale)*



Ar. Kinzalk Singh
Chauhan
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(Senior Scale)*



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