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Design is our language, innovation
our mindset—together they power
change that matters.

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WORDS FROM ASSOCIATE DEAN'S DESK

Prof. Dr. Madhura Yadav Associate Dean, School of Architecture & Design



Our journey in interior design transcends aesthetic creation, weaving Rajasthan's grand architecture and rich heritage with modern design and technology. We blend tradition with contemporary philosophies and digital innovation, exploring and innovating to create designs that honour our past and envision our future.

To our faculty, your wisdom transforms talent into skill, preparing the guardians of our heritage and the pioneers of tomorrow's design, empowered by Industry 4.0 technologies. To our staff, your support is the foundation of our creative endeavors. To our students, you are the designers of tomorrow, your innovative ideas infused with digital tools are shaping the future of design.

As we embrace unity, collaboration, and the advancements of technology, we stand ready to create spaces that reflect our rich cultural heritage and our forward-looking vision. Together, let's harness the power of technology to design a future that integrates our traditions with the innovations of Industry 4.0, a future that will inspire pride for generations to come.

Best Wishes

Prof. Dr. Madhura Yadav
Associate Dean, School of Architecture & Design

WORDS FROM HOD'S DESK

Dr. Richa Jagatramka Head, Department of Interior Design



Welcome to our Interior Design newsletter! As the Head of the Department, I'm excited to connect with you here. Interior design blends artistry with functionality, shaping our living, working, and playing spaces. Our department is a creative hub where ideas flourish, and boundaries are pushed.

To our students: Your passion drives our department. Keep honing your skills and exploring opportunities for growth. We're here to support you every step of the way.

To our faculty: Your expertise shapes the next generation of designers. Your mentorship enriches our community and pushes us forward.

To prospective readers: Whether you're considering joining us or just seeking insights into interior design, we invite you to explore our newsletter.

To our leadership: Your vision guides us. Thank you for fostering an environment of creativity and excellence.

Let's continue striving for excellence and positive change through design, together!

Warm regards,

Dr Richa Jagatramka
Head Incharge, Department of Interior Design

MEET THE TEAM

Dr Richa is always inclined to seek opportunities for learning and personal development within her areas of specialization, which include Vernacular Architecture and Craft and Process. Her previous engagements with these disciplines have offered her the ability to recognize and construct a comprehensive approach towards our culture and social built environment.



DR. RICHA JAGATRAMKA

Head of Department (HOD)
PhD | Specialization: Sustainability,
Vernacular Architecture and Craft and Process



AR. SNEH SINGH

Associate Professor
B.Arch. | M.Des, Industrial Design,
IIT Kanpur

Sneh Singh is a professional Architect and Industrial Designer. Currently serving as an Associate Professor at the Faculty of Design, Manipal University Jaipur, she brings a wealth of practical experience to her academic role. Before her academic career, Sneh spent six years in the industry, contributing her skills to projects with Dar Al Handasah. Holding the designation of LEED AP (USGBC), she possesses significant expertise in managing International LEED-rated construction and specializing in signage and wayfinding design projects. Sneh's achievements include a patent, a copywriter credit, and three patent publications. Furthermore, Sneh has accrued six years of hands-on experience overseeing the interior design department, showcasing her comprehensive knowledge and proficiency in the field. Her primary area of expertise pertains to signage & wayfinding.

B.Arch. | M.Arch, (Interior Architecture), Sushant University

Anushri Gaur is an architect and academician with a passion for creating experiential architecture. She has 9 years of experience in the field and has worked on a variety of projects ranging from residential to commercial spaces.

As an academician, she has taught and mentored students in the field of architecture and interior. She believes that every design should evoke emotions and create memorable experiences for its users.

Since 2023, she has an additional administrative responsibility as an assistant director in Directorate of Quality and Compliance, MUJ. She has been awarded as a Key contributor under Manipal Excellence Awards in 2022 and again in 2024.

She is always excited to connect with like-minded individuals and professionals in this field and to continue exploring new ways to create meaningful and impactful architecture.



AR. ANUSHRI GAUR

Assistant Professor-Senior Scale
B.Arch. | M.Arch, (Interior Architecture),
Sushant University Gurugram

MEET THE TEAM



AR. APOORVA AGARWAL

Assistant Professor

B.Arch | M.Des, Masters in Craft –
Hard material Specialization

As a young academic professional pursuing a PhD from Manipal University Jaipur, Apoorva has over 5 years of experience in architecture and design practices, as well as in design academia. Her specialization lies in hands-on work with a variety of materials including wood, stone, metal, and others, along with their allied crafts, resulting in the creation of integrated designs.

Kush Jee Kamal, an architect and dedicated assistant professor of design, personifies curiosity and versatility. His expansive knowledge transcends traditional boundaries, guiding his students to explore the depths of design innovation. Beyond academia, Kush's spirit finds solace in the art of exploration; a fervent traveler, he immerses himself in diverse cultures worldwide. With an unwavering passion for photography, Kush captures the essence of his journeys, freezing moments in time and encapsulating the beauty of architecture.



AR. KUSH JEE KAMAL

Assistant Professor

B.Arch | Birla Institute of Technology
M.Des, Manipal University Jaipur



MR. N. TONDONSANA SINGH

Assistant Professor

B.Sc | M.Des / Interior and Furniture Design

Tondonsana is an accomplished Interior and Furniture Designer as well as a dedicated academician. He holds a Master's degree in M.Des (Interior and Furniture Design) and brings over seven years of experience as an Assistant Professor. A member of the Bamboo Society of India, he is passionate about exploring innovative ideas and concepts, particularly through the use of natural materials like bamboo and wood.

With a strong portfolio of interior accessories and furniture designs—some of which have been patented—Tondonsana combines creativity with functionality. His teaching approach seamlessly blends theoretical knowledge with hands-on practical skills, empowering students to build successful careers in interior design.

Barsa is an architect-urban planner with key interest in design and project management. She has completed her B.Arch from NIT Patna and M.Plan from MNIT Jaipur. She likes to paint and read in her free time and her teaching interest includes interior design, sustainable architecture, climate responsive design and landscape design. With an overall experience of 10 years with teaching experience of 7 years, she intends to contribute immensely towards academia and research.



AR. BARSA MOHANTY

Assistant Professor

B.Arch from NIT Patna and
M.Plan from MNIT Jaipur

VISION & MISSION

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR DESIGN

1. Vision of Department of Interior Design :

- Global leadership in innovative and sustainable interior design education.

2. Mission of Department of Interior Design

- Achieve excellence in education & drive collaborative research in Interior Design.
- Fostering creativity and adaptability for successful interior design careers.
- Transform young minds into competent professionals in the field of design & allied sectors with strong human values.

RESEARCH: FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

Journal Publications:

Walia, Siddhant, and Sneh Singh. "Exploring the Intersection of Interior Design and Indoor Air Quality: A Bibliometric Study." International Conference on Construction, Real Estate, Infrastructure & Project Management. Singapore: Springer. Published in the month of March 2025.

Conference attended:

Presented a paper titled "Passenger-Centric Navigation at Railway Stations: Unveiling Trends and Strategies" in International Conference on Research into Design 2025 (ICorD'25) organized by IIT Hyderabad. (8-10 January 2025)

AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

Awards:

Ar.Sneh Singh

Received Distinguished paper award for paper presented “Passenger-Centric Navigation at Railway Stations: Unveiling Trends and Strategies “ in ICorD’25 organized by IIT Hyderabad.

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CORPORATE RELATIONS/ PLACEMENTS



Ms. Rachita Agarwal

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DHANANJAY MALHOTRA
ARCHITECTS

FACULTY WITH ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITY AT MUJ LEVEL



AR. ANUSHRI GAUR

Assistant Director, Directorate of Quality & Compliance

STUDENTS WORK

