



Indian Institute of Architects

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Indian Institute of Architects

- **IIA is the oldest and the only professional body of India - with membership restricted only to the Architects**
- **It has history spanning over 100 years**
- **It looks after the interests of the profession and professional architects**
- **It aims at promoting the cause of architectural education in the country**
- **It undertake measures to ensure compliance with the professional ethics by the architects**
- **It takes up professional issues with all public/parastatal agencies**
- **It promotes industry-profession interface**
- **Its aims/objectives are related to the promotion of profession of architecture and make it more effective and efficient**
- **It is a society registered under the Indian Society Act**
- **It has no statutory/legal backing**
- **It is not mandatory to become member of the IIA.**
- **It brings in promoting brotherhood/fellowship among architects**
- **It aims at bringing all architects of the country on a single platform.**
- **It connects the Indian architects with other professional institutes of different countries globally**
- **It has been instrumental in bringing–The Indian Architects Act, 1972-**
- **It holds membership of international professional bodies of architects- SAARCH ,ACA, UIA etc**

Indian Institute of Architects-IIA

- **The Indian Institute of Architects (IIA)** is the;
- -- National body of Architects in the country.
- -- Established in 1917,
- -- institute today has more than 20,000 members
- -- plays major role in promoting profession of architecture--
- by organising and uniting the Architects of India
- to promote aesthetic, scientific and practical efficiency of the profession --both in Practice and in Education.

IIA represented on various national / international committees connected with architecture, art and the building industry and

- International Union of Architects (UIA)
- Commonwealth Association of Architects (CAA) and
- South Asian Association for Regional Co-operation of Architects (SAARCH).

IIA-in Historical Perspective

- Birth of IIA -- in a meeting of past students of Architecture of Sir J.J. School of Art
- --- on May 12 , 1917,
- --in Mr. Foster King's bungalow,
- -- in School of Art compound
- -- where famous Rudyard Kipling was born on 30th December 1865.
- Members decided to form --association of the past students of Architecture of Sir J.J. School of Art .--"The Architectural Students Association".
- Late Mr. George Wittet--- then Consulting Architect to Government of Bombay-- elected as first "President"
- On 3rd August 1922--- converted' as **Bombay Architectural Association.**
- On 2nd September 1929 -new body was constituted in Bombay –
- registered as "**THE INDIAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS**
- --In 1929, the membership was 158.
- -- Today it has crossed the 20000 mark

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Legal Status of the Institute

- --The Indian Institute of Architects is a society
- -- registered under **the Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860** –
- - as a voluntary organisation of Architects.
- - with its headquarter at Mumbai- DBN Road-Prospective Chamber
- - other organisation related to Architecture at national level is-- **Council of Architecture**
- --established under The Indian Architects Act 1972 --- with statutory duties of –
- ---Registration of Architects
- -- Prescribing norms/ minimum standards for Architectural education
- -Regulating the professional conduct of Registered Architects
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Outreach Programmes of the Institute

- The Institute has major role to play in:
 - Promoting Profession of Architecture
 - Serving large area / population of India
 - Institute reaches to professionals/public through its :
 - Chapters-23 –where number of members= 100 or more
 - Centres- 50- where number of members= 50 or more
 - Sub-Centres-16- where number of members=20 or more
 - Each state /UT can have one chapter
- Programmes arranged at headquarter/Chapters /centres involving local/ international participation
- Chapters / Centres communicate with professionals/ public by :-using the press and electronic media.
 - Organising seminars, workshops, Public lectures, Exhibitions, professional meets organised with Industry/other professional institutions
 - commemorating -World Environment Day,World Architecture Day,World Habitat Day etc.
 - Publishing monthly Journal

IIA—Objectives

Constitution & Bye-Laws dated August 2, 1974, define 14 objectives of Institute of Architects which include

i) To continue the work of the:

--Bombay Architectural Association / Architectural Students' Association and

-- to take over all property of Bombay Architectural Association, which can legally be vested in the Institute and

-- to manage it

ii) To organize and unite in fellowship the architects in Republic of India.

iii) To combine effort of Architects to promote:

--Aesthetics,

--Scientific and

--Practical Efficiency of the Profession

IIA-Objectives

iv) To encourage the science and art of planning and- building the standards of architectural education , training and practice by ;

-- giving grants or

-- by paying fees

-- giving scholarships/ prizes / rewards to students

v)To devise means for testing the qualifications for membership of the Institute by examination in theory / practice

vi) Regulate practice of architecture and take measures to improve practice of Architecture and amending law relating / affecting the practice of Architecture

vii) To hold conferences / meetings/discussion /exhibitions exchange of new on matters relating to Architecture and award medals, certificates, prizes

viii) To co-ordinate the activities of the building industry and of the profession of Architecture

ix) To purchase , lease, rent, hold and dispose of any land or property or any building or hall, and to erect any such building / buildings to be used as a place of meeting for the members of the institute

IIA--Objectives

- x) To acquire by purchase, donation etc a library and collection of models, drawings, designs or other materials, and to maintain, extend and improve the same.**
- xi) To formulate and notify the law and practice relating to Architecture to members and the public, and to compile, collect, print and publish statistics or periodicals relating to any of the objects of the Institute**
- xii) To issue appeals for funds, accept any gift etc made to the Institute, and to borrow moneys, if required for the purposes of the Institute**
- xiii) To ensure the advancement of the living standards of our people through their improved environment and to make the profession of ever increasing service to Society.**
- xiv) To constitute various classes of members including Honorary Fellows;**
- xv) To do all such lawful things which are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them**

Boards-6 and Committees-13

IIA works through number of committees and Boards for its proper functioning and operations namely--

- **Finance Board**
- **Professional Services Board**
- **Board of Architectural Education**
- **Board of Examination**
- **Publication Board**
- **International Affairs Board-----**
- **Employed Architects Committee**
- **Membership Growth Committee**
- **Sohrab Bharucha Library Committee**
- **R & D Continuing Education Committee**
- **Events & Programme Committee**
- **Sports & Culture Committee**
- **Building & Infrastructure Development Committee**
- **E-Governance Committee**
- **Green and Sustainable Architecture Committee**
- **Committee on Architects Social Responsibility**
- **Committee on Women Architects**
- **Young Architects Committee**
- **Public Relations Committee**

Other Activities

- **AWARDS**--Lifetime achievement awards for contribution to the profession/education-**Best Thesis Award**
- - IIA National awards for excellence in Architecture
- **NATCON**
- **Young Architects Festival**
- **JOURNAL- JIIA monthly- E- journals**
- **Professional Publications**
- **NEWS LETTER**
- **IIA EXAM**
- **I IPL**
- - **PHOTO-GALLERY**
- **MEMBERSHIP**- Fellow, Associates, Direct fellow, Honorary Fellows, Licentiates, Student Members
- **Recognizing architectural institutions**
- **Prescribing professional code of conduct**
- **IIA Vs COA**

,Managing IIA-Structure

1 Office Bearers—

- **President**
- **Vice- President**
- **Junior Vice- President**
- **Treasurer**
- **Joint Hon Secretaries-2**

2. Council Members(directly elected)- 10

3. Ex-officio members -- All Chapter Chairpersons

4 Trustees

5 Office Bearers — all day to day operations

6 Council- OB+ Council members+ all chapter chairpersons

7.Election held after every 2 years