

**ASCENSION**  
**IIA National Architectural Design Competition 2026**  
**FAQ's**

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**1 How should the registration form be submitted?**

All duly filled registration forms must be submitted only via email to the official email address provided in the Competition Docket i.e., [iidesigncompetition2026@gmail.com](mailto:iidesigncompetition2026@gmail.com)

Only submissions sent to the above email address will be considered valid. Physical submission, courier, or in-person delivery of the registration form is not required.

**2 Are any additional documents required along with the registration form?**

No additional documents are required at the time of registration unless specifically requested by the Competition Secretariat.C11

**3 Is there any registration or processing fee?**

No registration or processing fee is there for registration.

**4 In case of partnership participation, are more than three partners allowed?**

Yes, provided they all are active IIA Members and partnership documents to be submitted as annexure.

**5 Can any architectural firm register for this competition?**

YES, provided the proprietor is IIA Member

**6 Are EC members of IIA Centers eligible to participate? Please clarify eligibility under Clause 4(a)?**

Competition is open for all except IIA National Office Bearers, Council Members, and Chapter Chairpersons.

**7 Is a detailed space/functional program available?**

YES, it is mentioned in the Design Brief.

**8 Can the following details be shared?**

**Area bifurcation of spaces | Offices | Innovation labs | Museum | Interaction spaces | Retail components | Auditorium / multipurpose hall (if required) | Expected seating capacity**

YES, it is mentioned in the Design Brief.C32

**9 What is the anticipated staff strength and estimated visitor footfall?**

YES, it is mentioned in the Design Brief.

**10 Can the exact plot dimensions (length & width) be provided?**

The plot dimensions are 32.54 m x 27.50 m. The Site is almost square in Shape

**11 Is there a detailed site survey available including? Confirm Topography contours levels w.r.t surrounding connecting road and survey around site upto 1km, neighbouring properties etc. Topographical survey | Existing trees | Contour levels | Geo-technical report**

It is a redevelopment project and the plot is flat.

**12 Are drawings of the existing building available for reference?**

Since it is a redevelopment project the entire project is to be prepared considering new design brief.

**13 Are there any mandatory tree retention or site preservation requirements?**

Survey plan is enclosed.

**14 What is the permissible FSI? Is Premium FSI allowed? Can TDR be utilized?**

As per Clause 24 of Competition docket:

- Basic FSI: 1.10
- Premium FSI: 0.50
- TDR: 0.90
- Total FSI entitlement: 2228.23 sq.m.
- Total permissible built-up area including Ancillary FSI: 4010.81 sq.m.

Participants must comply with applicable UDCPR provisions.

**15 What is the maximum permissible building height?**

Height shall be as permissible under applicable UDCPR provisions and subject to approvals from the Fire Department and relevant authorities, including Airport Authority norms where applicable.

**16 What are the submission requirements?**

Submission shall be in accordance with the Competition Docket.

**17 Is structural design and building services design required as part of submission?**

Concept structural design and map are required.

**18 Will an entry be considered invalid if it is submitted without the unique participant code issued by IIA?**

Yes. As per Clause 8 and Clause 16 (Anonymity) of competition docket, all submission material must bear the assigned Entry Code. Omission of the Entry Code or inclusion of identifying marks may lead to disqualification under Clause 11 of competition docket.

**19 What is the procedure for undertaking a site visit?**

The site visit is permitted, with prior intimation email by the applicant to [iiadesigncompetition2026@gmail.com](mailto:iiadesigncompetition2026@gmail.com).

**20 Is photography of the existing building permitted?**

YES

**21 Is there a defined construction budget for the project?**

NA

**22 Is there a requirement or acceptability to submit a physical model for the proposed design?**

Yes, physical models can be submitted.

**23 What will be the address of correspondence for submission of Design?**

The Indian Institute of Architects, 5th Floor, Prospect Chambers Annexe, Dr. D. N. Road, Fort, Mumbai - 400 001

**24 Is there any contact number to communicate for any queries regarding the project brief / site details or submission related queries?**

Queries can be sent to [iiadesigncompetition2026@gmail.com](mailto:iiadesigncompetition2026@gmail.com).

- 25 Is there a detailed project brief informing on IIA Office and other Member centric requirements for the proposed Building, different use type requirements, interior space requirements, exterior space requirements, recreational facilities etc. which need to be accommodated in the available built-up space? There is a mention of Retail Showrooms use on Ground floor, but no detail on how much area can be allocated to this use; Please specify.**  
Participants may refer Design Brief
- 26 Where do we get a site plan with dimensions and north line?**  
Participants may refer Design Brief
- 27 Can we get a design brief for space allocation of different departments and support services?**  
Participants may refer Design Brief
- 28 Do we need to consume the entire permissible FSI.**  
Yes
- 29 Apart from the limitations of AAI, do we have a preferred Height (or maximum height) set by the IIA Committee?**  
As per UDPCR.
- 30 Can we use Basement for parking provisions or it has to be on upper floors?**  
As per your design prepared.
- 31 Kindly specify the intended operational nature of the headquarters. Should it be designed primarily as: \* A daily administrative office \* An event-oriented institutional facility \* A research or knowledge centre \* Or a hybrid of the above?**  
Participants may refer design brief.

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