

ARCHITECTURE IS A PROFESSION BECAUSE

It can be practised only by those who are fully trained and requires a bonafide degree to practice at it.

The practionoers of architecture serve/practice the profession for the betterment of the society. They do not seek to amalgamate money. They receive their just fees in lieu of the service provided, but money making is not the main aim of the architecture.

There is a government /central body that propounds a code of conduct. Each practicing architect as to register himself and practice the said code of conduct. Any architect found to be not following the said code, can be punished or even debarred. Therefore there is a dignity to practising architecture and like most other professions, an architect is answerable for his work and conduct-legally to the government and OCA and morally to his own guild and fellow professionals.

EXPLAIN THE PROCESS OF REGISTRATION OF ARCHITECTS IN INDIA

Any person desirous of practising as an 'Architect' in India is required to be registered in the Register, with the Council of Architecture (CoA). He shall be entitled on payment of the prescribed fees to have his name entered in the register.

For the purpose of registration, one must possess the requisite qualification as appended to the Architects Act, after having undergone the education in accordance with the Council of Architecture Regulations, 1983. *The registration with Council of Architecture entitles a person to practice the profession of architecture. The registration also entitles a person to use the title and style of Architect.*

1) Application Form

A **Registration Application form** for registration filled in and signed by the candidate, along with a recent colour passport size photograph duly pasted on the form.

2) Birth Certificate

3) 10 + 2 Mark sheet

4) Architectural Qualification Certificate In Original

The final recognised architectural qualification certificate on the basis of which registration is sought
i.e. 5-year B.Arch. Degree

5) Copies Of Mark sheets –

The copies of marksheets (including Practical Training certificate, if any) for all the semesters/years of the recognised architectural education, duly attested by a Gazetted Officer

6) For All Semesters/Years

7) Demand Draft

A demand draft for Rs.600/- (non-refundable) drawn in favour of "Council of Architecture", payable at Delhi/New Delhi towards registration fee.

8) Self-Addressed Envelope

9) Registered Post

WHAT ROLE DOES AN ARCHITECT PLAY IN THE SOCIETY?

1. The architect can play several roles and contribute to the society in numerous ways:
2. He can contribute by designing urban spaces and reducing congestion and improving lifestyle
3. He can get involved in slum rehabilitation projects and create better housing projects with required sanitation and improving health and lifestyle
4. He can design energy efficient building and work towards sustainability and optimum usage of energy
5. He can work as faculty and towards academics and research to increase the knowledge base within architecture and train the future generation.
6. He can work in conservations and help to conserve the architectural heritage of a space.
7. He can play the role of the arbitrator in case of a dispute within the construction industry. In this case his decision would be considered a legal decision.
8. Architect can play the role of an estimator or valuer.
9. Responsible designing and execution of regular lead to a good overall urban morphology and increase the liveability within the building.