## TO CHIEF SECRETARIES OF ALL THE STATE GOVERNMENTS/UTs AND FEE REGULATORY AUTHORITIES IN THE COUNTRY

## Subject: Prescription of Minimum Fee Structure for 5-year B.Arch. Degree Course in the country by the Council of Architecture under the Architects Act, 1972 and Regulations framed thereunder - reg.

Dear Sir/ Madam,
As you are aware, the Council of Architecture is a Statutory Body of the Government of India, established under the Architects Act, 1972, by the Indian Parliament, to regulate the Architectural Education and Profession in the country and also to provide registration of qualified persons as Architects all over India. The Ministry of Education, Government of India, is the Nodal Ministry of the Council.

In this regard, I would like to apprise you that the Council has prescribed the Council of Architecture (Minimum Standards of Architectural Education) Regulations, 2020, with the approval of the Central Government in terms of Sections 21 \& 45 of the Architects Act, 1972. The Regulations were published in the Gazette of India on 11.08.2020 and came into force w.e.f. 01.11.2020. These Regulations, among others, prescribe that the fee structure shall be as determined by the Council.

Accordingly, a committee was constituted by the Council to review and recommend minimum fee structure of B.Arch. course being followed by the Institutions/ Universities in the country and make its report/ recommendations for regulating \& formulating Fee Structure for B.Arch. course, which could be referred to and implemented by various Fee Regulatory Bodies and competent authorities in the States/UTs of the country.

The Committee submitted its report to the Council, after considering the fact that fee charging pattern by institutions all over India are different in different institutions, wherein it suggested for adoption of average fees including tuition fees and development fees by the institutions.

The Council, at its $80^{\text {th }}$ meeting held on September 2, 2023, considered the report of the Sub-Committee constituted for prescribing fee structure and noted the fact that fee charging pattern in Institutions across the country are different and vary from Institution to Institution. The Council affirmed the recommendation of the Sub-Committee for average fees including tuition fees and deyelopment fees to be adopted by all the Institutions.

In view of the above, the Council decided to prescribe the following minimum fee structure for students pursuing 5 -year B.Arch. degree course at the architectural institutions located in States/UTs as per the recommendations of prevalent Pay commission:

- For rural area, fee per student per year be fixed to Rs.1,56,528/- and Rs. $1,92,200 /-$ for the $6^{\text {th }}$ and $7^{\text {th }}$ Pay Commission pay scales respectively.
- For an urban area, fee per student per year be fixed to Rs.1,64,933/- and Rs.2,01,977/- for the $6^{\text {th }}$ and $7^{\text {th }}$ Pay Commission pay scales respectively.
- For a metropolitan area, fee per student per year be fixed to Rs.1,80,338/- and Rs. $2,18,754 /$ - for the $6^{\text {th }}$ and $7^{\text {th }}$ Pay Commission pay scales respectively.

The calculations of fee of Bachelor of Architecture course are also attached herewith for your kind perusal.

In case the pay scales of $6^{\text {th }}$ Pay Commission are being presently enforced in your State/UT, your good offices are requested to kindly implement the recommendations of $7^{\text {th }}$ Pay Commission at the earliest as the fee per student per year needs to be fixed as per $7^{\text {th }}$ Pay Commission pay scales.

It may also be pertinent to mention that the above minimum fee structures for students of B.Arch. course are proposed so as to enable the architectural institutions to maintain the Minimum Standards of Architectural Education prescribed by the Council effectively. Further, these minimum fee structures shall be subject to revision after every two years.

In view of the above, the Council requests all States Governments/UTs to issue appropriate directions to concerned authorities for adopting the above fee structure at architectural institutions (except Govt. \& Govt. Aided Institutions) in their respective States/UTs, so as to make the institutions more self-reliant and enable them to upgrade their academic and physical infrastructure facilities for achieving excellence in light of the recommendations of NEP.

Thanking you,


Registrar
Encl. : as above.

## ANNEXURE 1

Calculation of Fees for Bachelor of Architecture with Intake of 120 ( Final Year Stage ) VI PAY



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Calculation of Fees for Bachelor of Architecture with Intake of 120 ( Final Year Stage ) VII PAY



