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**Who?**

The Competition is open to all students of spatial design disciplines {Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Urban Design, Conservation, Planning among others}, Design and Fine Arts studying in Undergraduate or Post Graduate full-time/part-time Degree/Diploma courses.

**How?**

Detailed Submission Format and Registration Form to be submitted along with the entries can be downloaded from the website.

**Registration**

INR 500 Per Entry for Indian Participants | INR 1000 Per Entry for Other Countries

The registration fee is mandatory and is to be deposited at the time of the submission of the entry. It is non-refundable and non-transferable.

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**Awards**

First Prize INR 50,000
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