

Press Release

Department of Architecture launches *Shehernama* – JMI Journal of Architecture

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The Department of Architecture, in its academic outreach, launches ***Shehernama* – JMI Journal of Architecture**. Encouraged and supported by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Mazhar Asif and the respected Registrar, Prof. Md. Mahtab Alam Rizvi, whose leadership has made this academic outreach possible.

According to the journal editor, Prof. Taiyaba Munawer, it is envisioned as a platform to foster constructive and meaningful dialogue within the fields of architecture and allied disciplines. It will serve as a platform to facilitate critical engagement, knowledge exchange, scholarly collaborative discourse, research dissemination, across diverse perspectives in architecture, urbanism, and the built environment.

The journal would be an *Open Access, Peer-Reviewed, E-journal linked through the JMI website*.

With rapid urban transformation, environmental challenges, and technological innovations shaping the built environment, there is a growing need for an academic platform that bridges architectural theory, design practice, sustainability, and future urban visions. The journal will encourage interdisciplinary dialogue between Architecture, Ekistics, Development Studies, Urbanism, Historic Cities, Building services, History of Architecture, Landscape, Pedagogy, Heritage, Conservation, Sustainability, Energy and Technology, Theory and Criticism, Urban Planning, Visual design, Practice or any other relevant subject pertaining to the built environment.

The journal will provide a publishing avenue for researchers, academicians, and practitioners in India and abroad. It will promote critical thinking and innovative approaches in architecture. It will document and disseminate cutting-edge research from India and globally. And will foster collaboration between academia and industry.

The journal aims to publish high-quality original research, theoretical analyses, design critiques, and case studies in areas including but not limited to:

- Architectural design and theory
- The Science of Human Settlements
- Urbanism and city futures
- Sustainable and green architecture
- Heritage conservation and adaptive reuse
- Building technology and materials innovation

- Landscape and environmental design
- Development Studies
- Digital tools and computational design in architecture

Who can contribute:

- Academic researchers in architecture and allied fields
- Practicing architects and planners
- Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Doctoral students
- Policy makers and urban administrators

Frequency & Format

- Frequency: Bi-annual (two issues per year)
- Format: Primarily digital (open access)
- Language: English

The journal can be accessed at the jmi website under the Department of Architecture

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Call for Paper

Shehernama: JMI Journal of Architecture invites original and unpublished contributions from academicians, practitioners, and students under the following FOUR categories.

Category 1: Research Papers

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Research papers (2000-5000 words) in the prescribed format. The research may be based on their ongoing or completed research. (Details of format are available in the Author's guidelines). All contributions in this category will be Blind Peer reviewed by academic experts before being accepted for publication.

Category 2: Articles

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Essays, case studies, interviews, articles (1500- 2500 words), book reviews (600 and 750 words), travelogues, sketches and photo-essays in the areas of Architecture, Ekistics, Development Studies, Urbanism, Historic Cities, Building services, History of Architecture, Landscape, Pedagogy, Heritage, Conservation, Sustainability, Energy and Technology, Theory and Criticism, Urban Planning, Visual design, Practice or any other relevant subject pertaining to the built environment.

- Book reviews should be related to any discipline of Architecture/Habitat/Society. Please include the "Fact File" with the following details: book title, author name, publisher, year of publication.
- Please send a write-up of about 200-300 words along with sketches and photo essays.

Category 3: Student Work

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Summaries of dissertations (1500-2000 words) at the level of B.Arch. & M.Arch., and Thesis at the Ph.D. level. The Guide for that work will be mentioned as the Co-author.

Category 4: Cover Design

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Students from Architecture, Design and Arts are invited to submit the designed cover page. This should be a graphic based on some aspect of architecture/cities/its people/ Indian knowledge system. The submission will include the graphic file (jpeg or coral draw); a theme note (with a title) of about min. 100 words explaining the concept of the graphic. Please note that the image you send will be adjusted as per the layout requirements of the magazine Cover.

In order to be accepted for publication, all material sent in these categories should have the following components:

- a. MS Word document file with text only. Please do not format it in any way. The numbered captions for all the Images will also be in this document.
- b. Folder with all images (minimum 300 dpi), numbered according to the captions given in your text file
- c. Photograph of the author/s (minimum 300 dpi).
- d. Author biodata – Maximum 50 words.
- e. PDF (optional) – showing the intended layout. This pdf should include text and all images, with numbered Captions.

Please note:

1. Submissions will be accepted through email to shehernama@jmi.ac.in with the **Category** of write-up clearly mentioned in the subject of email.
2. Any queries to be addressed to: shehernama@jmi.ac.in.
3. In your correspondence, please give your email id and your contact number
4. The review process takes 4-6 weeks. We will revert if and when your work is accepted.
5. JMI does not charge any fees for the publication of any Professional or Academic work.
6. It is understood that the submission from an author is an Original work, unpublished anywhere else, and that JMI is in no way responsible for any matter or dispute arising out of the publication of the same.
7. It is mandatory to give a signed declaration along with your work. The format is available on JMI website
8. All authors are requested to refer to the Author's guidelines and strictly stick to the format of the paper.

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