

Date: 27th February 2015

SUB: OPEN HOUSE MEET

Dear Fellow Engineers,

You may be surprised to know that the Ministry of Urban Development has uploaded a document on Model Building Bye- laws which is likely to be adopted for the entire Country. You may access the same at <http://moud.gov.in/model>

A brief reading of the document indicates that it defines parameters for Planning, Design & Construction of Buildings and Complexes – all falling in the domain of Civil Engineering. However, a reading of **APPENDIX-E** defines the competence of Civil Engineers in a very LIMITED way and also does not match with that given in National Building Code of India 2005, Part 2: Administration. **IN SHORT – CIVIL ENGINEERS CANNOT SUBMIT PLANS FOR BUILDING PERMIT** nor indulge in planning which they have been doing for the last 100 years. In this scenario the construction Industry will become monopolistic and even unaffordable to prospective clients. Moreover – the Council of Architecture – taking the shield of the Architects Act – has created an adverse situation for Engineering Companies providing Architectural Services.

This move will deal a major blow to the Civil Engineering profession and their future will be at stake.

In this context an Open House Meet is being organized in Delhi so as to discuss ways to safeguard the domain of Civil Engineers.

The following FOUR main issues are proposed to be discussed:

1. Engineers Bill;
2. Engineers should not be prevented from the Planning and Leadership Role in Projects;
3. Steps to ensure that the provisions of the National Building Code with regard to what the engineers can do is retained.
4. What does the Architects Act 1972 actually say on issues relevant to Engineers.

We request you to actively participate to and share your views on the future of our profession. Thereafter representation shall be sent to the concerned ministry.

Kindly spread this message to other Civil Engineers known to you, since we have E-mail ids of only our members. All are welcome to attend.

Date: 17th March 2015, starting at 10.00 am (Full Day)

VENUE: LakshmiPat Singhania Auditorium, PHD House, 4/2 Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, (Siri Fort Road), New Delhi -110016.

A line in confirmation shall help in making better arrangements.

Regards



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President ACCE(I)



Sudhir Dhawan
President CEAI

FIRST NATIONAL OPEN HOUSE MEET OF ENGINEERS

Organized by: IAStructE, CEAI, ACCE (I) & other engineering professional bodies

DATE: Tuesday, March 17, 2015

TIME: 9.30 AM to 6.00 PM

VENUE: **LakshmiPat Singhania Auditorium, PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry,**
PHD House, 4/2 Siri Institutional Area, August Kranti Marg, New Delhi-110016.

Participation: Open to all Engineers (no registration fee)

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Objectives:

Engineering profession particularly, Civil & Structural engineering, is grappling with several professional issues related to qualification & competence. Individual consultants & multi disciplinary firms offering architectural services are receiving legal notices of malpractice. We have seen several public notices by COA in media. Some such firms have also been dragged into various court cases in the recent past. Engineering profession seems to have no legal backing. Building bye-laws & policies affecting civil engineers are being framed without consulting practicing engineers. In brief, the entire eco system of civil engineering professional practice is not at all conducive for the growth development of our country. Architect's Act is being misused to make our profession subservient to architects. We need to act urgently, unitedly & cohesively. We aim to discuss all such professional issues. We also aim to draw action plan & ways to implement it as an outcome of this open house meet. It may be considered as a first bold step to launch a nationwide mass movement.

PROGRAMME

9.30 AM to 10.15 AM Registration, Tea & Fellowship

Session -1

10.15 AM to 10.45 AM Welcome by Prof. Mahesh Tandon , Sh. Sudhir Dhawan & Sh. Surya Prakash, Presidents of IAStructE, CEAI &ACCE (I) respectively.

10.45AM to 11.15 AM Professional Issues- Overview about the Meet by Mr. Manoj Mittal

11.15 AM to 11.45 AM Architects Act & its proposed amendments, Ministry of corporate affairs issues, Court cases and its implication on our profession by Mr. Avinash Shirode

11.45 AM to 12.15 PM Proposed Model building bye-laws (MOUD), Delhi Building bye-laws (finalized by DUAC) by Sh. Arun K. Trivedi (Ex. ADG -CPWD)

12.15 PM to 12.45 PM Status of Engineers Bill by Sh.Mahendra Raj (Founder President IAStructE)

12.45 PM to 1.45 PM LUNCH

Session -2

1.45 PM to 3.30 PM OPEN HOUSE (Engineers can share their experiences, problems & may suggest actions to be taken on issues raised & presented in session- 1)

3. 30 PM to 4.15 PM Drawing Action Plan based on discussion in OPEN HOUSE

4.15 PM to 4.30 PM TEA BREAK

Session -3

4. 30 PM to 5.30 PM Building teams & finding ways to implement the Action plan

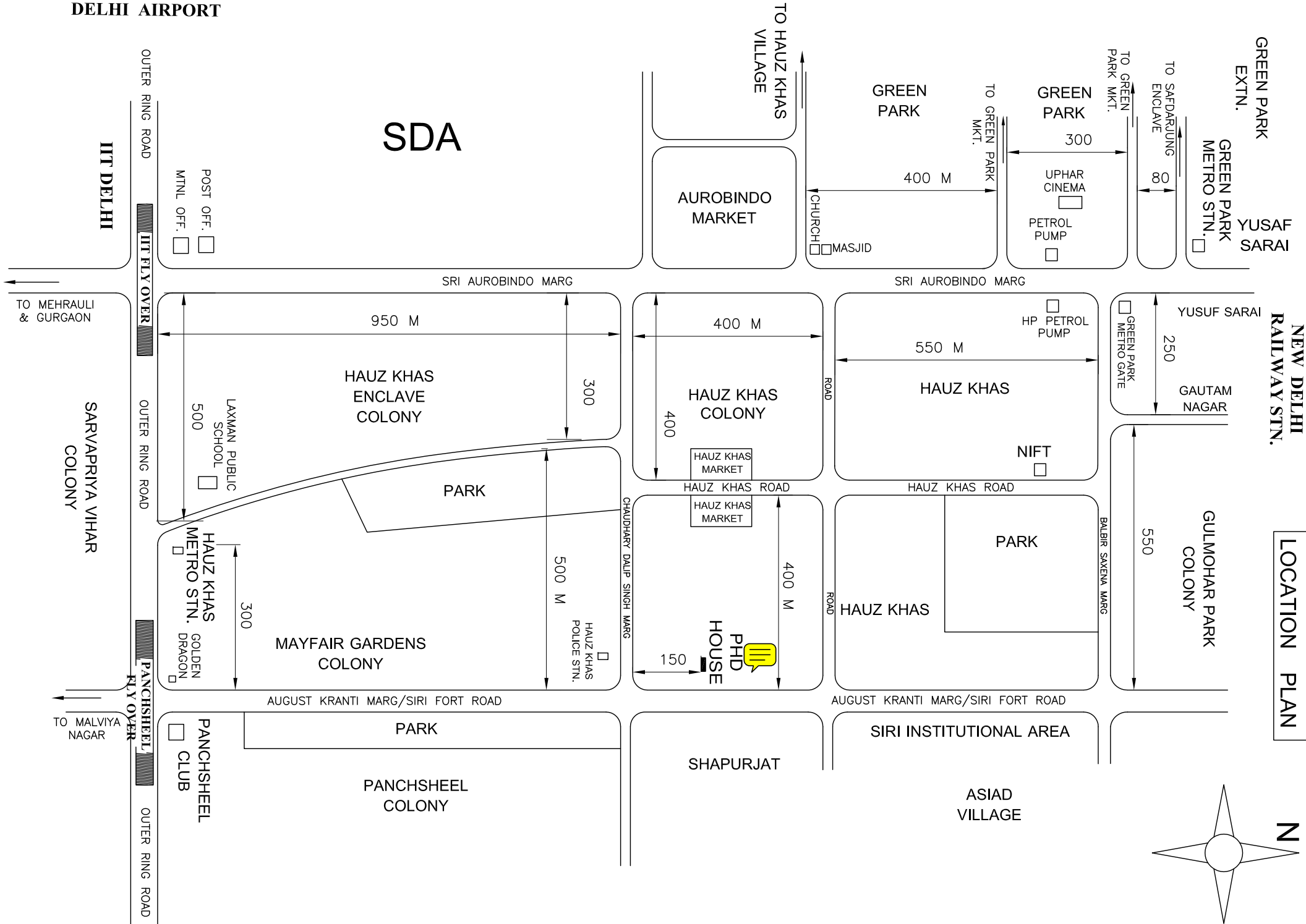
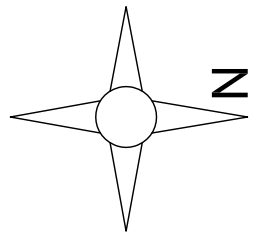
5.30 PM to 6.00 PM Summing up & Vote of thanks

DELHI AIRPORT

SDA

NEW DELHI RAILWAY STN.

LOCATION PLAN



GREEN PARK EXTN.

GREEN PARK METRO STN.

YUSAF SARAI

TO SAFDARJUNG ENCLAVE

TO GREEN PARK MKT.

GREEN PARK

UPHAR CINEMA
PETROL PUMP

GREEN PARK

400 M

CHURCH
MASJID

TO HAUZ KHAS VILLAGE

AUROBINDO MARKET

SRI AUROBINDO MARG

SRI AUROBINDO MARG

YUSUF SARAI

250

GAUTAM NAGAR

GREEN PARK METRO GATE

HP PETROL PUMP

HAUZ KHAS

550 M

HAUZ KHAS COLONY

400 M

400

HAUZ KHAS MARKET

HAUZ KHAS ROAD

HAUZ KHAS ROAD

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PARK

500 M

HAUZ KHAS POLICE STN.

MAYFAIR GARDENS COLONY

300

HAUZ KHAS METRO STN.

LAXMAN PUBLIC SCHOOL

500

HAUZ KHAS ENCLAVE COLONY

950 M

300

400 M

PHD HOUSE

150

HAUZ KHAS

PARK

BALBIR SAXENA MARG

550

GULMOHAR PARK COLONY

AUGUST KRANTI MARG/SIRI FORT ROAD

AUGUST KRANTI MARG/SIRI FORT ROAD

SHAPURJAT

SIRI INSTITUTIONAL AREA

ASIAD VILLAGE

PANCHSHEEL COLONY

PARK

PANCHSHEEL CLUB

HAUZ KHAS METRO STN.

GOLDEN DRAGON

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IT FLY OVER

OUTER RING ROAD

POST OFF.
MTNL OFF.

IT DELHI

TO MEHRAULI & GURGAON

SARVAPRIYA VIHAR COLONY

TO MALVIYA NAGAR

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